



# PRESIDENT'S BULLETIN

OCTOBER 30, 2017

TO BCC STAFF, FACULTY, AND ADMINISTRATION  
| FROM PRESIDENT ROWENA M. TOMANENG

## LOOKING AHEAD TO OPPORTUNITIES



### COLLEGE UPDATES

Since the start of Fall semester, BCC has been immersed in several planning and report development processes: Accreditation Mid-Term Report, Integrated Student Success and Support Program (SSSP)-Student Equity-Basic Skills Plan, and Facilities Master Plan. Our goal is to take these planning documents to Shared Governance for review and approval by the end of November/start of December 2017. The Peralta Community College District Board of Trustees will be reviewing and approving our planning documents at their December 2017 and January 2018 meetings.

There have also been several promising developments at the State level, Governor Brown's signing of AB-19 Community Colleges California Promise which waives student tuition fees for the first year and the \$150 million in one-time grants to seed the expansion of the Guided Pathways framework. BCC is already engaging in these two State-wide programs and I have provided you with updates below.

#### UPDATES ON...

The CC California Promise one-year tuition waiver program is expected to increase BCC's student enrollment, and participation in the Berkeley Promise, Oakland Promise, and Richmond Promise.

We currently have 90 students from Berkeley, Oakland, and Richmond eligible for \$1000-\$1500 Promise Scholarships for two years while enrolled full-time at BCC. Student Services and Instruction are working together to serve students through our Learning Communities: First Year Experience, Persist, and Umoja.

Thank you to the Berkeley Community Fund (BCF) and Eastbay College Fund, our partners in fundraising for scholarships.

For more information on Ab-19 go to <https://cappa.memberclicks.net/assets/StateLegislation/ab%2019%20fact%20sheet%2003%2010%2017.pdf>

#### UPDATES ON...

An initial BCC cross-functional team attended the IEPI Guided Pathways workshop on October 23, 2017 in Oakland. The team included five faculty (Kelly Pernell, Claudia Abadia, Joseph Bielinski, Susan Truong, Hermia Yam) and three administrators (Lisa Cook, Barbara Godoy, and Rowena Tomaneng).

In the upcoming weeks, members of this team will be sharing information to shared governance committees and soliciting college-wide feedback on the GP Self-Assessment Tool as part of the eligibility for funding requirements. We will also be expanding the cross-functional team to include more faculty, classified, and students.

For more information on Guided Pathways go to <http://cccgpc.cccco.edu/>

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## BCC Facilities Master Plan & PCCD Sustainability Plan

On October 27, 2017, BCC hosted its fourth Facilities and Technology Master Plan Town Hall with more than 25 participants in attendance. Also on hand to discuss the Peralta Sustainability Master Plan was Charles Neal, Director of Energy and Sustainability accompanied by Rincon Consultants. The purpose of our repeated Town Halls is to invite stakeholders to participate in the discussions and to share ideas around future developments and building improvements.

Based on input captured in previous meetings/ town halls along with your participation in the online surveys, Director Shirley Slaughter provided updates on decisions that have been made to date regarding BCC's Facilities Master Plan. Some highlights from the Town Hall included:

- Ø Responses from the Online Surveys – BCC had 156 employees respond to the survey
- Ø Introduction of the “Cube” concept to expand meeting spaces at 2050 Center Street
- Ø Review of the 1st and 2nd Floor Plan at 2118 Milvia Street
- Ø PCCD's Plan and Schedule for the Final FMTP

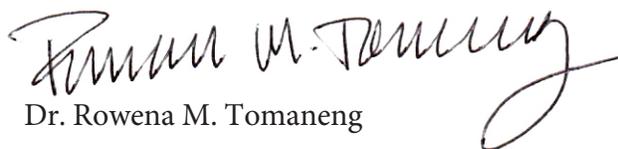


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It should come as no surprise that the number one priority for our college is space, space, and more space. Thus, our top two priorities in the FMP is 1. Build out the third floor at 2118 Milvia; 2. Purchase a new building with land. As for the existing building, everyone in attendance was intrigued with the idea of building cubes across the Atrium and are interested in learning more from the architects.

**Rincon Consultants** provided a detailed outline of the District's Sustainability initiatives that included both Benchmark goals through 2030 and Aspirational goals through 2050. The proposal as submitted is based upon best practices. I encourage you to review the attached sustainability presentation with a keen eye on what is proposed for BCC especially in the area of transportation. For those of you wishing to comment, you may forward your response to <https://www.peraltasustainabilityplan.org> or [rgardner@rinconconsultants.com](mailto:rgardner@rinconconsultants.com).

*IN COMMUNITY SPIRIT*

  
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