President's Update June 28, 2012

Campus Moves Underway

With summer classes now over, activity is underway on campus to relocate a number of offices. As we begin to occupy the newly remodeled 400 building, we are required to begin removing older buildings to comply with our agreements with the State, which provided partial funding for these renovations.

The following criteria were used in making these moves:

- Moves that result in the lowest costs;
- Minimize multiple moves of areas to the extent possible; and,
- Moves that best serve the College and our students.

As we initiate these moves and look towards the completion of our new Career Technical Building in 18 months, our campus will continue to be in transition.

What already has happened:

- 1. The Assessment Center has relocated to the 400 building.
- 2. The Counseling Department reception area has been reconfigured for better traffic flow. It also has greatly expanded the space available for the students who are waiting to see a counselor.
- 3. All offices in Calexico have now been moved back to the main campus.

Moves to take place before Fall Classes Begin or shortly thereafter:

- 1. The Office of the Vice President for Student Services will move back to the Student Services Building.
- 2. The Student Support Services Program will move between August and January to the area in the 1700 building currently occupied by the Foundation Office.
- 3. The Foundation Office will be relocating to the Administration Building, to the area formerly occupied by the Vice President for Student Services.
- 4. Four Faculty Offices in 400 building will be occupied.
- 5. Classes in 400 building will commence in fall 2012.
- 6. We are exploring the feasibility of moving the computer lab currently located in Room 902 to Room 2724. If feasible, this move will occur prior to the fall term.

7. The new transportation drop-off points will be placed in operation in August.

Longer term moves:

- Talent Search and Upward Bound will stay in the old Assessment Center building until completion of the new CTE building. In the spring of 2014, when the new building is occupied, all TRIO programs (Talent Search, Upward Bound, and Student Support Services) will be located in the 1700 building.
- 2. The Dean of Workforce and Economic Development will relocate to the new CTE building.
- Because the current 500 buildings must be removed by June 2013, Reprographics, Parking Control and Security will be relocating into the 900 building.
- 4. All of IT will be relocating into the 900 building.

As I mentioned above, this is a period of transition for our campus and we will do everything to make this as painless as possible. But in the end, our campus offices will be more conveniently located and we will be making maximum use of the new buildings that have been funded for us through our local bonds and State matching funds.

Redistricting Finalized

Our redistricting has been finalized and filed with the County Registrar of Voters for implementation.

We will be implementing an outreach effort over the next several months to inform voters about their new districts. This will be in partnership with the county's own effort to inform voters about new polling places, etc.

Enhanced maps with magnification capability have been placed on the IVC website and are available at https://www.imperial.edu/about/college-governance/board-of-trustees/district-maps/ and we are working with the county to provide a complete database of all addresses in the district by trustee area. This will also be posted on our website.

Volunteers Wanted

We will be making a major marketing push over the next several weeks to boost our fall enrollment numbers. In that regard, we have reserved a cart in the Imperial Valley Mall to serve as a distribution point for registration material as well as a place where we can personally interact with potential students. I am seeking volunteers who may be interested in working on a volunteer basis. We are considering staffing the cart at the following times:

Monday – Friday Noon to 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday – Sunday Noon to 5:00 p.m.

I appreciate your consideration and if you are interested, please email Vikki Carr with the time and dates you could be available – a successful registration is crucial to our budget this coming year.

Around Campus

- With the retirement of Interim Vice President of Student Services Jan Magno, I will be assuming the position of CSSO until a replacement is hired in the spring 2013. However, Deans Ted Ceasar and Sergio Lopez will actually be doing the heavy lifting during this interim period. Both will be sitting in on Executive Council meetings.
- Summer School ended June 21 with 228 FTES.
- Filling of vacant faculty positions will be accomplished, where possible, with parttime instructors and overload. There also may be full-time temporary faculty members hired on a one-semester basis as needed.

One Last Thing...

- For those of you taking vacations during the summer, I hope you relax and enjoy the time with your loved ones!
- I want to thank all of you for making my transition in my first year as Superintendent/President as smooth as possible. I've always said that members of the IVC community are my second family and as difficult as these times are, I appreciate your continued support and encouragement.
- I look forward to seeing you at our Welcome Back in the fall!

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