

This Week at the District

San Francisco

The past week was a busy one with much of my time spent in San Francisco. I was able to leverage that trip and cover many bases while I was there. First, I attended the AACC Conference and was a part of many of the committees and panels. I chaired the Presidents' Round Table meeting, served as a panelist on the 21 Century Implementation Team on Developmental Education, participated in the ACCT's Aspiring Presidents workshop and attended the conference.

While in San Francisco area, I also attend the California Diversity Council Board of Directors' meeting in Concord. Later, I was joined by some of my Coast teammates in providing a presentation to prominent bond rating agencies, Moody's and Standard & Poor's. We are all anxiously awaiting the rating awards and I will report them as soon as possible. At this point, we are on track to have the first issuance of Measure M funds by the end of May (at the latest).

Social Venture Capitalism

I met with Jack Shaw this week to discuss Social Venture Capitalism and how this developing funding methodology may impact our colleges and our communities. According to some, social ventures and entrepreneurs are not afforded the traditional funding mechanisms that come with a traditional business plan. Donations and grants don't allow them to innovate and grow. They have virtually no access to capital markets and little flexibility to experiment at various stages of growth. As you know, the Coast Launchpad is working toward developing an entrepreneurial incubator. Working with Mr. Shaw and others brings us closer to developing a viable model for the entrepreneurial incubator.

Final Stop on the Listening Tour

The District office was the final stop on the Listening Tour. It is always great to hear from our Coast family members and to get their perspective on the many issues that we face. As at the other campuses, I received feedback in writing that we are gathering and will post soon. I would like to thank all of the participants for their attendance and insights.

Energy Management

I met with local energy management experts that are industry leaders to discuss ways and opportunities for Coast to realize cost savings and energy generation from energy management programs and services. The discussion revolved around Coast as well as how we can collaborate regionally to gain efficiencies. These types of conversations and relationships will continue to be important as we position the District to be eligible for Prop. 39 funds as they become available and as matching funds for Measure M projects.

Board Meeting Reminders

May 1 – Regular Meeting

May 15 – Regular Meeting

June 19 – Regular Meeting &
Budget Study Session

Chancellor's Calendar

Week of April 29, 2013

Monday – Friday
In the Office

Marketing Executives

I also met with a local marketing executive to learn about ways to increase visibility relative to enrollment management goals and to increase our community interaction. I will be sharing these ideas with the executive team and look forward to more discussion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christina J. Hill", is centered below the word "Sincerely,".