# Merced College "Looking Forward" Forum

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#### Forum Topics and Discussion Items

Convocation, Kickoff BBQ Event, Strategic Planning, Enrollment Growth Strategies, Branding, Budget, Professional Development, and more!

## The start of 2017 will be a good one...

- Convocation...
  - Official kickoff to the year
  - Sets the tone and theme
  - Keynote Speaker and Comedian, Kathy Buckley
  - Recognize new employees
  - Recognize outstanding employees
  - Highlight key issues and themes for 2017-18

## The start of 2017 will be a good one...

By popular demand... it's back!!!!

#### Merced College Kickoff BBQ and Family Event









The evening of convocation. Free to everyone.

Opportunity to get to know the Merced College Family.

## The start of 2017 will be a good one...

- Launching a re-brand of Merced College
- New logo
- New mission statement
- Focus on who we are as a College...
  - Community
  - Opportunity
  - Quality
- Growing our community!











- Campus Security Top priority
- Strategic Planning Mapping our future!
- Upgrades to classroom technology and instructional equipment -\$450,000 plus in funding
- Increasing wireless on campus
- Investing in new software programs (i.e. imaging, curriculum, etc.)

- Professional development re-launch...
  - New professional development committee
  - New charge
  - New focus
  - Develop MCCD Professional Development Plan
  - Integrate with all areas and constituencies

- Los Banos Food Forest
  - Fully funded with grant and one-time funds
  - Target completion date:December 2017
  - Interdisciplinary programs
  - Enhanced student and campus life
  - Events and seminars
  - Bringing the community to the Los Banos Campus!



- Bookstore Renovation
  - •\$1 million one-time funds
  - Student engagement
  - Increased services
  - Campus life
  - Assist with building more revenue
  - The hub of campus



Veterans Resource Center Exterior –

\$90,000 project (private funds and one-time funds)





- NEW Literacy Center
  - Funded by the Basic Skills and Student Outcomes
     Transformation grant (\$1.5M)
  - Embedded peer mentors
  - Instructional support
  - Assisting students with completion of college-level English courses



#### Enrollment growth strategies...

- Development of new Enrollment Management Team...
  - Strategic enrollment management planning
  - Diverse committee representation
  - Focus on growth, innovation, and guidelines
  - Scheduling strategies (i.e. time blocks, block scheduling, etc.)
  - Surveys, data, and student planning analyses
- Increase productivity
- Maximize AB 288 (high school dual enrollment)
- Increase prison education program
- Invest in CTE programs in Los Banos

Enrollment growth strategies...

- 15 to Finish
  - Targeted messaging for F17
  - 715 students currently enrolled in 12 units for F17
  - 980 student currently enrolled in 15+ units for F17
  - 15.95% of students for F17 enrolled in 15+units
- New Student Planning Platform
  - Navigate
  - Starfish



### Overcoming the current year deficit...

- <u>SUCCESSFUL</u> strategies are paying off...
  - Capturing as much FTES between now and June 30, 2017
  - Minimized all non-essential spending between now and June 30, 3017, resulting in a savings of approximately \$600,000 to our current year budget
- WHERE WE WERE IN APRIL 2017:
  - 2016-17 (\$1,471,497) Projected Net Loss Includes FTES of 9,319 as reported on the January 2017 320 Enrollment report
- WHERE WE ARE IN MAY 2017:
  - 2016-17 (\$352,446) Projected Net Loss Includes FTES of 9,550 as reported on the April 2017
    320 Enrollment report
  - FTES increase from 9,319 to 9,550 will result in increased revenue of over \$1 million
  - Unanticipated increase in prior year state revenue of approximately \$300,000
  - Updated salary and benefit expenditure projections through June 30, 2017

### 2017-2018's budget looks promising...

#### Revenue

- From the Governor's May Revision
  - COLA at 1.56% is approximately \$836,000
  - Base funding increase approximately \$1,564,000
- FTES from 9,550 to 9,650, an increase of approximately \$500,000

#### Expenditures

- Step and Column \$590,000
- PERS \$154,000
- STRS \$372,000
- Medical \$148,000
- All vacant positions continue to be reviewed for possible freezes for at least one year
- Projected Net Income of \$45,646

#### Other future projects and exciting opportunities...

- Grants program
- More aggressive fundraising
- Botanical Garden
- New Student Plaza
- Plaza in front of the MC Theatre
- Reclassification study
- Sustainability initiatives for the campus
- Accreditation responses



# Questions, Comments, Discussion, etc.