

# **Governing Board Meeting of April 16, 2025**

The Contra Costa Community College District (4CD) Governing Board conducted a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 16, 2025, beginning at 4:00 p.m. with a reception honoring the classified professional of the year and newly tenured faculty for 2025, followed by closed session at 5 p.m., and continuation of the public session at 6:00 p.m.

Reception Honoring Newly Tenured Faculty and Classified Professional of the Year

4CD hosted its 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Reception honoring the Classified Professional of the Year, Lawrence Punsalang from Los Medanos College, and newly tenured faculty for 2025, including CCC's Jacqualine Lindblom, Michelle McNeary, Taliha Pasoglu, and Aleksandr Pevzner; DVC's Melissa Wong; and LMC's Ali Asghary Karahroudy, Jordan Clark, and Maria Hagberg. Each honoree received a certificate from their college president and was congratulated by the Governing Board.

## **Annual Budget Presentation**

Associate Vice Chancellor/Chief Financial Officer Dr. Tony Wold presented a special report about the development of 4CD's FY 2025-26 budget. He shared that current state law will not provide a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) or new general fund revenue to 4CD and that many community colleges districts will have to make do with less funding while costs, including utilities, continue to rise.

#### Work-Based Learning Special Report: CCC's Auto Collision Repair Program

CCC's Automotive Collision Technology Professor Laura Lozano and Executive Vice Chancellor, Education and Technology Kelly Schelin presented a special report highlighting 4CD's workforce development initiatives, with a focus on apprenticeships and other "earn-while-you-learn" programs that pave the way to living-wage careers. The Collision Repair Program's partnership with Collision Engineering was featured as an example of an innovative and impactful industry partnership that directly benefits students and promotes social mobility. CCC student Hayli Edwards and former CCC student Jesse DeLeon presented their personal stories of success through the program.

#### **Student Advocates Share D.C. Experience**

Several students from DVC and LMC shared reflections about their recent legislative advocacy trip to Washington, D.C., which featured a conference and meetings with congressional aides.

### Parking Fees to Increase by \$1-\$5 Beginning in Summer 2025

Because the revenue generated from current parking fees is insufficient to cover the costs of the related services provided and parking rates have not been increased in the last 10 years, the Governing Board approved a proposed change in fees, which varies based on the type of permit and the time of year. These increases are estimated to generate an additional \$50,000 annually.