The Weekly Report is taking a holiday break. The next report will be published for the week of January 7-11, 2019. Happy Holidays!

Governing Board names Salazar president and welcomes new member Irma Lopez

At its Annual Organizational Meeting on Dec. 11, the Hartnell Community College District Governing Board elected Aurelio Salazar Jr. board president for calendar year 2019 and welcomed a newly elected trustee for Area 4, Irma Lopez.

Trustee Erica Padilla-Chavez (Area 6) swore in Lopez, who ran unopposed in the Nov. 6 election to replace the outgoing David Serena. Padilla-Chavez also joined trustees Candi DePauw (Area 7) and Ray Montemayor (Area 5) in taking the oath of office following their unopposed reelection to four-year terms.

Salazar (Area 2), who served as vice president this year, succeeds Manuel Osorio (Area 1), to whom I presented a crystal gavel in recognition for his service as board president in 2017 and 2018.

Trustees appointed Patricia Donohue (Area 3) as their vice president for 2019 and made these additional calendar-year appointments:

- Osorio: Representative to Hartnell College Arts Council
- Salazar: Representative to District Audit Committee (second year of a two-year term)
Board approves posthumous degree for former student slain Sept. 3

The Hartnell Community College District Governing Board voted unanimously Dec. 11 to award a posthumous degree to Daniel Martinez, a former student shot to death in Salinas on September 3.

Family members of Martinez, who was 37, expressed gratitude for the degree, which will be included in Hartnell’s 2019 commencement program on May 24. A suspect has been arrested and charged with murder in the case.

Although Martinez was not currently a Hartnell student, he attended intermittently between 2011 and 2017 and accumulated sufficient credits for an Associate of Arts degree in general studies with an emphasis in Social & Behavioral Studies.

While at Hartnell, he was a scholar in the Men’s Institute for Leadership & Education (MILE), which provides leadership and life-skills training and financial assistance. He also was a student worker in Hartnell’s Department of Supportive Programs and Services (DSPS), which serves disabled students.

Martinez’s studies at Hartnell were part of his effort to pursue a positive, productive path for himself and on behalf of his family, said Dr. Romero Jalomo, vice president of student affairs.

“He was trying to break away and come to college and change his lifestyle,” Dr. Jalomo said. “Others were trying to pull him back into that lifestyle, and he was fighting that.”
Foundation has much to celebrate at President’s Circle reception

I joined Jackie Cruz, vice president for advancement and development, and Kurt Gollnick, president of the Hartnell College Foundation Board of Directors, to welcome donors and friends at the board’s President’s Circle Holiday Reception on Dec. 12 at the Center for Performing Arts.

We highlighted the year’s many accomplishments and milestones, including the fact that the Hartnell College Foundation raised more money in 2018 than any other California community college, regardless of size. I am continually grateful for our community’s tremendous generosity and the professional excellence of VP Cruz and her team.

The foundation honored outgoing board member Nick Pasculli for his second seven-year term and lasting contributions to the college. Two community-based foundations were recognized for their multi-year support of the foundation — the Monterey Peninsula Foundation, which has donated $1.94 million to Hartnell, and the Harden Foundation, whose support has totaled $1.96 million. Representatives accepted framed photographs of the performing arts renovation.

The program also included presentations from students in respiratory care and other programs and brief speeches by students Freddy Alvarez (Respiratory Care), Nicole Polo (STEM), Oscar Cruz (Automotive Technology) and Jonathon Perez (Theater Arts & Cinema).

Dr. Glazier highlights promise of Arts Hub in new MCAET TV video

Dr. Marnie Glazier, lead faculty for the Theater & Cinema Arts department at Hartnell, is newly featured in the MCAETalks video series, presented by MCAET TV, part of the Media Center for Art Education & Technology at the Monterey County Office of Education.

Glazier, who works with MCAET as an arts advocate and educator, discusses the newly created Salinas Valley Arts & Innovation Hub, which seeks to combine education, arts and business development capability to promote socioeconomic vitality and equity in the region. The video also is available YouTube.
Former Chicago chancellor shares experiences with guided pathways

A session of Hartnell’s Leadership Institute for Administrators on Dec. 12 was facilitated by Cheryl Hyman, former chancellor of the City Colleges of Chicago and author of the book, “Reinvention: The Promise and Challenge of Transforming a Community College System.” Members of the Bridging the Gap initiative and co-leads of the Design and Inquiry Teams for College Re-Design were invited to attend.

Hyman began the program by sharing some of her experiences as a student and administrator, including being among the first colleges in the nation to implement guided pathways to help students choose and complete their degrees, beginning in 2013. Ms. Hyman shared:

“Many other institutions have taken on pathways and other innovations as discrete reforms without transforming their culture to one of continuous improvement and innovation focused on student needs. I argue that, as a sector, that’s kept us from moving as quickly as we need in order to serve all of our students. Continuous change informed by real-world data must become our DNA, not a one-and-done process.”

Writer’s Guild sets Dec. 30 deadline for 2018 creative competition

The Hartnell Writer’s Guild has extended the deadline for its annual student competition to Dec. 30. The competition, which is open to all majors and includes a category for art and photography, is open to all majors and offers prizes up to $200.

Submitted works can be from any semester, or from the past, as long as it follows guidelines available online. For more information, please read the flyer below or contact writersguild@student.hartnell.edu.

LGBTQIA group invites community to identify as allies for respect

A group called the LGBTQIA+ Ally Founders has invited the greater Hartnell community to join with them as allies in support of a continued commitment to providing an inclusive learning environment where all are treated with dignity and respect.

The group is developing a website that will include a list of our allies with basic contact information so students and others know whom they can reach out to for support.

To have your name added on this website, you may fill out this form.
Basketball teams look to make fresh start after the holidays
Following a 70-64 loss at Porterville on Dec. 14, the 6-8 Panther men’s basketball team will have a break until they resume play on Jan. 3 at Ohlone.

The women’s team, with a 2-7 record, lost to San Jose City on Dec. 13, 67-42. They will play at home on Dec. 19 versus Modesto and on Dec. 22 versus Contra Costa. The squad will also return to post-holiday action on Jan. 3 in Ohlone.

Upcoming Events

Women’s Basketball vs Modesto
5 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 19
Hartnell Gymnasium

Women’s Basketball vs. Contra Costa
3 p.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 22
Hartnell Gymnasium

In the News

Hartnell College votes to award posthumous degree to slain student, Daniel Martinez Jr.

Cross Country team places first in Regional Championships
https://www.arcurrent.com/sports/2018/12/11/cross-country-team-maintains-1-in-big-8-all-season/

Hartnell trustees award posthumous degree to Salinas shooting victim

City sells land to Hartnell College to develop satellite campus