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## Compton Community College District and El Camino College Compton Center Complete Annual Planning Summit

Compton Community College District (CCCD) Interim CEO Keith Curry and El Camino College Compton Center Vice President Barbara Perez recently hosted a Planning Summit to address the planning components for both the El Camino College Compton Center and the Compton Community College District.

Representatives from the collegial consultation groups participated in review and discussion of the following components of planning: developing strategic initiatives, planning via the Plan Builder software, the Facilities Master Plan and the Educational Master Plan. The Facilities and Educational master plans are both moving through the collegial consultation processes prior to adoption by the Special Trustee for the Compton Community College District and the El Camino Community College District Board of Trustees, respectively. These components are all important for both ECC Compton Center and the CCCD to move forward toward eventual independence from FCMAT and with the Accreditation Commission.

Planning summit participants (including students, faculty, staff and administrators) also received information on ECC Compton Center's current demographics and student success and retention reports. This information will be used in planning programs for the specific departments or areas to better serve students and to reach out to future students.

In-depth breakout sessions had participants discussing how institutional dialog currently takes place related to planning and budgeting, and ways to improve that dialog. They also discussed how plan and program review recommendations are communicated, how to get students more involved in the planning process, and how communication and processes can be improved. The final breakout session examined how the goals for ECC Compton Center and the Compton Community College District could be revised and updated.

## **The Planning Process**

ECC Compton Center is using the planning model developed by El Camino College for institutional effectiveness to ensure that the cycle is maintained in all programs. For planning purposes, ECC Compton Center is organized into programs, units, and areas.

The process begins with data collection and analysis, usually the result of recommendations arising from program review and updates, to form the basis of an annual program plan. Plans that do not require funding may be implemented at the program level. When additional funding or staffing is necessary, extensive dialogue occurs at the program level, with highest ranked items being forwarded to the unit level. Further dialogue at the unit level leads to prioritized requests which are then forwarded to the area vice president for institutional prioritization and possible funding.

At ECC Compton Center, once the area plans are completed, each area prioritizes its funding requests and identifies ongoing and one-time needs. The prioritized recommendations are presented to ECC Compton Center's Planning and Budgeting Committee for use in the development of the budget.

## **About the Compton Community College District**

Board meetings are usually held the third Tuesday of each month and are open to the public. The District is located at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA 90221.