



Academic Senate

President's Report to YCCD BOT (A.K.A "Howerton Highlights")

Date: December 20, 2018

Handout for Trustees:

- *INK: A Literary Arts Magazine* (issue 12)-Fall 2018

Good evening YCCD Trustees,

A lot seems to have transpired since our last meeting together. However, I would first like to acknowledge the unusual nature of our campus closures due to the fires. With all the devastation that the communities of Paradise and those around them experienced, I have been heartened to see how quickly members of our district have stepped up to help with fundraising efforts, donations, opening their homes, volunteering their time, and showing genuine concern for any who have been harmed or displaced.

ASCCC approached both Woodland and Yuba College's Academic Senates to inquire if either of us would be willing to host the Faculty Diversification meeting that Butte College was to host in February. Both colleges quickly stepped up to show support and offered to host the event. ASCCC (in a position of having asked multiple dates to a prom) selected Yuba for this event, and thanked us (and our district) for our flexibility and eagerness to support our region's needs.

Fall Curriculum Regional Meeting

Unfortunately, the fires and smoke from the Camp Fire caused ASCCC to cancel a regional curriculum meeting. However, I would like to acknowledge that our curriculum co-chair **Nili Kirschner** (who also serves on the ASCCC Curriculum Committee) organized several presentations for the event. Even though this meeting was canceled, ASCCC is archiving the resources and presentations that Nili created.

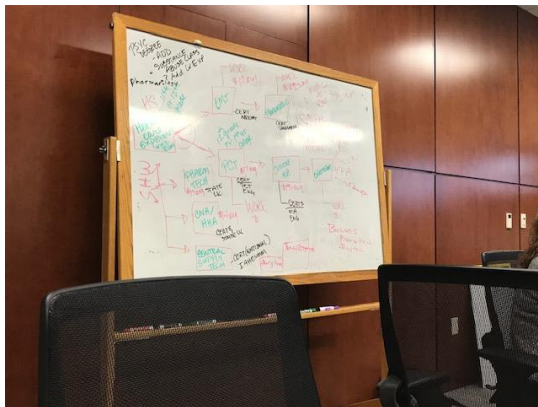


Newly elected Lakeport Unified School District board members (from left) Carly Alvord, Dan Buffalo and **Jen Hansen**.

Election Results: On Tuesday November 6th, two of our faculty members were elected to serve publically. **Dr. Melissa Moreno** our professor of Ethnic Studies was successful in her election bid to serve as the Area 2 Trustee for the Yolo County Board of Education. Also, our Lake County Campus Professor, **Jen Hansen** (photo-provided from the *Lake County Record-Bee*) was elected to the Lakeport Unified School Board and started her new duties in this role last

week. Our senate sent a letter of congratulations to both of these individuals who continue to offer their talents beyond our campus.

INK Magazine: This evening I am sharing with you copies of the recent (issue 12) literary publication *INK* developed and organized by WCC students with the faculty guidance of English faculty member **Kevin Ferns**. Student contributors showcased some of the work during an open-mic event earlier this month. Past issues of this publication are online here: <https://ink.yccd.edu/past-issues.aspx>



Result from a programmatic brainstorming session with the IEPI Resource Partnership Team and WCC representatives.

IEPI visit On December 5th I attended our second all-day meeting with our IEPI team who is working with us to explore potential program development in healthcare. It was a productive session (although there were times I was lost in the amount of healthcare lingo and acronyms that were being thrown about). We are moving forward as we now draft our formal request for IEPI consideration. The input from our resource partnership team and the regional deputy sector navigators is proving invaluable.

Finally, I would like to wish you and your loved ones a happy holiday season. I look forward to seeing you all again in the New Year.

Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,

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