



## President's Report to the Board of Trustees



**February 28, 2017**

**Following is a compendium of email reports to the Board for the month of February.**

1. I am pleased to announce that Myeshia Armstrong will be recommended to the Board of Trustees for the position of Associate Vice President, Fiscal Services. Myeshia has over twenty years of fiscal and administrative services experience in public education. She has served as the Vice President of Finance and Business at Rio Hondo College and as the Director of Fiscal Services at MiraCosta Community College. Myeshia holds a Master of Business Administration from DePaul University, Chicago, Illinois and a Bachelor of Science in Finance from Cal State Long Beach. Myeshia will begin her journey with Mt. SAC on March 14, 2017. Please join me in welcoming her to our team. 2/24/17
2. Our friend and colleague Mike Gregoryk has suffered a medical set back that put him in the hospital for several days. After getting stabilized and being released last weekend, Mike is resting at home. I talked to him yesterday, and he is in good spirits and dedicated to a full recovery. He is getting good care and love from his family and great support from those here at Mt. SAC with whom he works closely. While it will take a while for Mike to get back to full health and strength, we look forward to having him back. His team is stepping up to handle the everyday issues in Administrative Services, and I will provide oversight and direction when needed--with the able assistance and insight of Kerry Martinez, Mike's stalwart Executive Assistant. To lessen Mike's stress during recovery, we are keeping the business side of Mt. SAC at arm's length, but you can send cards and messages to Kerry to pass along to Mike. 2/24/17
3. The City of Walnut has replied to our application for a grading permit ([see attached](#)). Note that they continue to assert that entitlement, including zoning/planning commission approval, is required. Looks like this needs a court intervention. Sean will be addressing the Board via Skype in closed session at our next meeting. 2/24/17
4. Mt. SAC has a partnership in the works with University of La Verne. I met with Devorah Lieberman recently and we discussed enabling Mt. SAC Associate Degree in Nursing grads to transition to University of La Verne's Masters of Science in Physician Assistant: <https://sites.laverne.edu/physician-assistant> . She and I had discussed this before so our conversation was about "making it happen." Our handshake agreement was that: 2/15/17
  - ULV would accept the 95 units of our ADN program toward a "bridge" bachelor of science degree in nursing (BSN) to be created by ULV--similar to Azusa Pacific: <http://www.apu.edu/nursing/programs/rn-to-bsn>
  - ULV would accept a guaranteed minimum of four Mt. SAC ADN grads each year into the BSN bridge program and if successfully completed, they would enter the MSPA program.
5. As reported in the San Gabriel Valley Tribune today, Rio Hondo College trustee Gary Mendez, who represents south Whittier and Santa Fe Springs, will likely be hit with an \$18,500 fine from California's Fair Political Practices Commission. See the [attached story](#).