

# PIERCE COLLEGE

August 1, 2013

## Pierce College Faculty:

Welcome back. The last time we were all together we were applauding as our graduating class of 2013 symbolically moved the tassels on their caps from the left to the right. We are now preparing to embark on another academic year; one that will present us with new challenges and opportunities as we continue in our work in supporting student learning, success, and completion.

Our annual **College Convocation and Professional Development Day** will be held on **Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>**.

Opening day activities this year will focus on two themes: integrated planning and outcomes. As a result of this concentrated focus we are moving our traditional breakout activities to dates throughout the year as coordinated by our Professional Development Committee.

In accordance with the AFT-LACCD contract attendance is **mandatory** for all full-time faculty (adjunct faculty are welcome and encouraged to attend and will receive flex credit). If you cannot attend you **must** inform Academic Affairs (818-719-6444) that you will be absent and that you are taking a Personal Annual Leave (PAL) day or, if you are ill, an illness leave day.

The schedule for **Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, is as follows:

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| <b>8:00 – 8:30 AM</b>   | <b>Check-in, <i>The Great Hall</i></b>  |
| <b>8:30 – 10:30 AM</b>  | <b>College Convocation, <i>The Great Hall</i></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Senate report – <i>John Zayac</i></li><li>• College Guild report – <i>Don Sparks</i></li><li>• Staff Guild report – <i>Henry Chang</i></li><li>• Ride Share – <i>Christine Valada</i></li><li>• College Safety and Security – <i>Paul Nieman</i></li><li>• Outcomes Assessment – <i>John Zayac and Mia Wood</i></li><li>• Pierce College Planning – <i>Kathleen Burke</i></li></ul> |
| <b>10:30 – 10:45 AM</b> | <b>Break</b>  |
| <b>10:45 – 12:15 PM</b> | <b>College Convocation, <i>The Great Hall</i></b> <p>Keynote Address – <i>Richard Follett</i><br/>Introduction of New Faculty</p>   |

**12:15 – 1:30 PM**

**Lunch Break**

**1:30 – 4:30 PM**

**Department Meetings**

- Departmental Business
- Outcomes Assessment and Planning Activities

Fall semester classes begin August 26<sup>th</sup> (Saturday classes begin on August 31<sup>st</sup>).

We look forward to seeing you as we kick off another academic year.

See you on the 22<sup>nd</sup>,



John Zayac  
Academic Senate President



Kathleen F. Burke, EdD  
Pierce College President