



President's Report to the Board of Trustees



April 30, 2017

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

1. I would encourage you all to participate in the Wheelhouse Trustee Survey described in the [attached email](#) by former chancellor Brice Harris. 4/30/17
2. We have issues of inaccuracy regularly with reporting by Steve Scauzillo of the *Tribune*. His April 19th article, "Foothill Transit customers react to changes, including new bus lines to Mt. SAC, Santa Anita Park"), contained an inaccuracy that Mt. SAC "enrolls as many as 60,000 students a semester...." Jill sent an email ([attached](#)) to Mr. Scauzillo and two of his editors requesting a correction which, as of this date, has not been made. 4/20/17
3. The *SGV Tribune* reports ([attached](#)) that Foothill Transit is raising rates and restructuring bus lines including some to Mt. SAC. Note that our agreement on the Mt. SAC Class Pass has been extended through the end of the 2017-18 academic year, but we are to expect a rate increase ourselves after that. 4/19/17
4. Attorney Sean Absher has provided an update regarding the return date for entry of judgment in the Solar Project court case. Feel free to contact my office for a copy. 4/19/17
5. Yen Mai, our Director of Marketing and Communication, reports:
Guess who won BIG in the latest Readers Choice Awards? Yup, Mt. SAC! We won in all four sections we promoted in our campus email: Career College, Community College, Place to Work, and Trade School. The Best of Issue will be published on May 28, 2017. Purchasing gave me permission to buy an ad (post purchasing deadline), so we'll have a full page ad in that publication. 4/7/17
6. [Attached](#) is the monthly activity report from our newly contracted lobbying firm Nossaman LLP and our contact Ashley Walker. 4/6/17
7. The Mt. SAC Foundation had a successful President's Circle Breakfast this morning with about 40 folks present ([list attached](#)). It was my pleasure to address the group on the Federal and State Role in Education ([attached](#)). It was great to see trustees Laura Santos and Robert Hidalgo in attendance and connecting with our community donors and Mt. SAC Foundation Board of Directors members. 4/5/17
8. [Attached](#) is the final draft of the press release on the Solar Project. Jill will get this out to the media as soon as possible. Thanks for all the feedback. I've sent to media outlets, including Chinese. I also had Sue post on Next Door. Yen posted on Walnut Buzz. 4/4/17

9. A farm-to-table program is under discussion as we look to expand the Mt. SAC Culinary Arts program. Our Ag department does not have a farm produce curriculum, but we have talked about a student run garden. Ideas are still developing. 4/3/17

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