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California Community Colleges Board of Governors to Present Education Awards, Hear About a \$1 Million Public-Private Partnership on Green Job Training, and Honor Former Students Sent to World War II Internment Camps

- ❖ **Who:** California Community Colleges Chancellor Jack Scott and Members of the Board of Governors
- ❖ **What:** The Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges will meet on Monday, Jan. 11 and Tuesday, Jan. 12 for its bimonthly board meeting. The meeting highlights include -
 - The Board will recognize the two *2009 Chancellor's Student Success Awards Recipients* – **Los Rios Community College District** for its *Education Initiative* program which improves success rates of first-time freshman ages 18 to 20. **Long Beach City College** for its *College Promise* collaborative program which assists students with college preparation beginning in fourth grade and continuing through college; and its *Student Success Plan* program which offers supplemental learning assistance in math, writing, reading and career technical education courses.
 - The Board will present the *2009 Exemplary Program Awards* to two colleges and honorable mention awards to four colleges. The recipients were selected by the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges for programs that create bridges for students in basic skills developmental courses to transition into transfer curriculum or career paths. The Award winners are **Santa Barbara City College** and **Bakersfield College**. The honorable mention awards will be presented to **Contra Costa College**, **El Camino College**, **College of San Mateo** and **College of the Sequoias**.
 - The Board will hear about a public-private *Green Jobs Education Initiative* that will provide scholarship opportunities for community college students who demonstrate financial need in Central and Southern California. **Southern California Edison** is awarding **\$1 million** in scholarship money to 10 California community colleges to fund sustainable or "green" education and job training programs. The 10 colleges selected by Southern California Edison will be announced live at the board meeting.
 - **Assemblymember Warren Furutani**, the author of Assembly Bill 37, will address the Board. AB 37, initiated by the California Nisei College Diploma Project, honors former higher education

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students who were unable to complete their studies due to the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II. Six recipients of the **Sierra College** honorary degrees will be recognized at the meeting.

- ❖ **When/** **Monday, Jan. 11 at 9 a.m. and Tuesday, Jan. 12 at 8:30 a.m.**
- ❖ **Where:** 1102 Q Street, Sacramento, California, 95811 – 3rd Floor in Conf. Rooms 3A, B and C
 - Click on [January 11-12, 2010 Agenda](#) for more information on specific board items.
 - Visit the [3C Media Web site](#) to watch a live broadcast of the board meeting.
 - A re-broadcast of the entire board meeting will be available on Monday, Jan. 18 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at [3C Media](#), Channel: 3CTV

- ❖ **Visuals:**
 - Long Beach City College President **Eloy Oakley** and Los Rios Community College District Chancellor **Brice Harris** will attend to receive the *Chancellor’s Student Success Awards*.
 - Representatives from **Santa Barbara City College** and **Bakersfield College** will attend to receive the *Exemplary Program Awards*.
 - Southern California Edison Vice President of Public Affairs **Gaddi Vasquez** will attend and unveil the names of the 10 Central and Southern California community colleges that will receive the \$1 million funding for the *Green Jobs Education Initiative*.
 - **Assemblymember Warren Furutani** and six **Sierra College recipients** of the honorary diplomas from the California Nisei College Diploma Project will attend and speak at the meeting.
 - Electronic photos of the awards, the Green Jobs Education Initiative unveiling and the Nisei College Diploma Project will be available upon request by contacting Paige Marlatt Dorr via e-mail at PDorr@cccco.edu or cell phone at 916.601.8005.

- ❖ **About Us:** *The California Community Colleges is the largest system of higher education in the nation comprised of 72 districts and 110 colleges serving 2.9 million students per year. Community colleges supply workforce training and basic skills education and prepare students for transfer to four-year colleges and universities. The Chancellor’s Office provides leadership, advocacy and support under the direction of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. For more information about the community colleges, please visit www.cccco.edu.*