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Senate Confirms Appointments to the California Community Colleges Board of Governors

Staggered six-year terms approved for MacDougall, Malumed and Ramos

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – California Community Colleges Chancellor Jack Scott announced that today the state Senate confirmed the appointments of Peter MacDougall of Santa Barbara, Dr. Deborah Malumed of Long Beach, and Henry A.J. Ramos of Creston to the California Community Colleges Board of Governors. On May 2, Gov. Jerry Brown appointed the three board members to the positions pending Senate confirmation.

“Each board member is exceptionally qualified and I congratulate them on their appointments and confirmations,” said Chancellor Scott, who was selected by the board in 2008 as the 14th system chancellor. “I've known and worked closely with Peter, Debbie and Henry and I am confident in their ability to help guide the system on important legislative, budgetary, and policy efforts.”

MacDougall has served as a board member since 2010. He chairs the California Community Colleges Task Force on Student Success and was the superintendent and president of Santa Barbara City College from 1981 to 2002. He was dean of Los Angeles Pierce College, as well as director of educational services for the Los Angeles Community College District from 1975 to 1981.

Malumed has been a board member since 2005 and was the board president in 2010. She works as a part-time physician with the Permanente Medical Group and part-time for Southern California Permanente Medical Group. From 1984 to 2000 she practiced medicine with the Harriman Jones Medical Group. Dr. Malumed is a member of many professional organizations including the American Academy of Family Physicians, the California Medical Association and the Los Angeles County Medical Association.

Henry A.J. Ramos served previously on the board from 2009 until 2010. He also is on the board of directors of the Foundation for California Community Colleges. Ramos has been a principal at Mauer Kunst Consulting since 1995. He served as a program officer at the James Irvine Foundation from 1992 to 1995 and from 1990 to 1991 as a U.S. Fellow in Germany for the Robert Bosch Foundation Fellowship Program. Ramos was an independent Foundation consultant from 1990 to 1991 and an assistant program officer at the Ford Foundation from 1985 to 1988. He was a special assistant to the national chairman for government and public affairs at the American GI Forum from 1980 to 1983.
The California Community Colleges Board of Governors sets policy and provides guidance for the system. The 17-member board formally interacts with state and federal officials and other organizations. The board also selects a chancellor for the system.

The California Community Colleges is the largest system of higher education in the nation. It is composed of 72 districts and 112 colleges serving 2.76 million students per year. Community colleges supply workforce training, basic skills courses in English and math, 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.

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