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MJC Presidential Finalists Selected

MODESTO, CA – The Modesto Junior College (MJC) Presidential Search Committee has selected four finalists to become the next MJC President.

The finalists (with most recent position held) are listed below:

- **Edward C. Bush, PhD**
(Vice-President, Student Services, Riverside City College – Riverside, CA)
- **Karen Walters Dunlap, PhD**
(Vice-President of Instruction, Modesto Junior College – Modesto, CA)
- **Dale Paul Parnell Jr., PhD**
(Vice President, Academic Affairs, Rio Hondo College – Whittier, CA)
- **Pamela D. Walker, EdD**
(Vice President, Student Services, American River College – Sacramento, CA)

The search committee was co-chaired by Rhonda Green, Auxiliary Services Manager (YCCD Leadership Team Advisory Council President) and Adrienne Peek, Professor of Literature and Language Arts (MJC Academic Senate President). Mr. Stan Arterberry with Ralph, Andersen and Associates conducted the search. The position has been extensively recruited for and advertised nationally. Initial interviews were completed November 16, 2011, and the names of the four finalists have are being forwarded to the YCCD Board of Trustees.

Open forums for the finalists are scheduled for the week of December 5-8, 2011 at each of the two Modesto Junior College campuses. The schedule and locations for the candidate forums are yet to be

determined. Each finalist will be given an opportunity to discuss their preparation for the position, their education and leadership philosophy, concluding with a time to respond to questions from the forum attendees. Attendees will be given the opportunity to complete a comment card that will be given to the Yosemite Community College Board of Trustees. The forums will be open to the public.

Profiles:

Edward C. Bush, PhD

Education:

- Ph.D. in Urban Educational Leadership, Claremont Graduate University – Claremont, CA (2004)
- Masters of Arts in Public Administration, CSU San Bernardino – San Bernardino, CA (1998)
- B.A. in Political Science, UC Riverside – Riverside, CA (1995)

Professional Experience:

- Vice President, Student Services, Riverside City College – Riverside, CA (2007 – present)
- Dean, Student Services, Riverside Community College District – Norco, CA (2005-2007)
- Assistant Professor, Coordinator of Student Activities, Riverside Community College District – Moreno Valley, CA (1998-2005)
- Interim Director, Educational Talent Search, Riverside Community College District – Moreno Valley, CA (2002-2003)
- Co-Project Director, F.S.S. Grant: Dual Admissions Program, Riverside Community College – Norco, CA (2001-2002)
- Enrollment Coordinator, CSU San Bernardino – San Bernardino, CA (1995-1998)

Karen Walters Dunlap, PhD

Education:

- Ph.D. in Chemistry, UC Davis – Davis, CA (1995)
- B.S. in Chemistry, Sonoma State University – Rohnert Park - CA (1989)

Professional Experience:

- Vice President of Instruction, Modesto Junior College – Modesto, CA (2007 – present)
- Acting President, Modesto Junior College – Modesto, CA (May-August 2011)
- Dean Sciences and Mathematics, Sierra College – Rocklin, CA (2003-2007)
- Full Time Faculty, Organic and General Chemistry, Sierra College – Rocklin, CA (1997-2002)
- Adjunct Faculty, American River College, Yuba College – Sierra College, CA (1993-1997)

Dale Paul Parnell Jr., PhD

Education:

- Ph.D. in Education, Psychology, Community College Studies, Oregon State University – Corvallis, OR (1991)
- M.A. in Guidance and Counseling (Psychology), Ball State University – Muncie, IN (1975)
- B.S. in International Affairs, US Air Force Academy – Colorado Springs, CO (1971)

Professional Experience:

- Vice President of Academic Affairs, Rio Hondo College – Whittier, CA (2008-present)
- Dean, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Chaffey College – Rancho Cucamonga, CA (1998-2008)
- Associate Dean, Whatcom Community College – Bellingham, WA (1996-1998)
- Tech Prep Coordinator, Skagit Valley College – Mount Vernon, WA (1993-1996)
- Director of TQM, US Air Force – Takoma, WA (1991-1993)
- Chief for Air Force Rehabilitation, US Air Force, The Pentagon – Washington, DC (1989-1991)
- Director for Academic Programs for the Community College, US Air Force – Montgomery, AL (1986-1989)
- Associate Professor, Oregon State University – Corvallis, OR (1983-1986)
- Chief of Social Actions Programs, US Air Force – Myrtle Beach, SC (1981-1983)

Pamela D. Walker, EdD

Education:

- Ed.D. in Organization and Leadership, University of San Francisco – San Francisco, CA (1997)
- M.A. in Physical Education, CSU Sacramento – Sacramento, CA (1978)
- B.S. in Education, Eastern Oregon State College – La Grande, OR (1973)

Professional Experience:

- Vice President, Student Services, American River College – Sacramento, CA (2006 – present)
- Associate Vice President, Instruction, American River College – Sacramento, CA (2004-2006)
- Dean, Science and Engineering, American River College – Sacramento, CA (2001-2004)
- Instructional Dean, Health, Physical Education, Recreation, Dance/Athletics – Cerritos College, Norwalk, CA (1996-2001)
- Interim Dean of Admissions and Records, Student Services – Cerritos College, Norwalk, CA (1998-1999)
- Associate Commissioner of Athletics, Community College League of California – Sacramento, CA (1992-1996)
- Education Coordinator, Chapman University, Satellite Campus – Sacramento, CA (1990-1992)

- Associate Dean of Admissions/Director of Advising and Assessment Center, Whitehead Center, University of Redlands – Redlands, CA (1987-1989)
- Associate Professor of Physical Education/Director of Women's Athletics, and Associate Director of Athletics, University of Redlands – Redlands, CA (1980-1987)

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