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## PRESIDENT'S MONTHLY CAMPUS UPDATE

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### **Budget News from the CSU**

On June 27, 2013, Governor Brown signed the State Budget Act of 2013. In addition to restoring the \$125 million cut from the 2012/13 budget, Assembly Bill 110 provides an additional \$125.1 million general fund increase. The increase will be used to fund mandatory cost increases, an employee compensation pool, enrollment growth, technology-supported alleviation of bottleneck courses, and student access and success initiatives. In addition, Assembly Bill 94, signed into law on July 1<sup>st</sup>, establishes the Middle Class Scholarship for qualifying students. The bill requires the CSU to report system-wide student outcomes measures as well as the cost of university operations and programs by student level, and caps CSU pensionable salaries at 2013-14 levels. For details on the enacted budget, visit the CSU Budget Office website at <http://www.calstate.edu/budget/>.

### **NCAA Division I Board Appointment**

I am pleased to share with you that I was appointed to the NCAA Division I Board of Directors as the Western Athletics Conference (WAC) representative. Elected by fellow WAC presidents and chancellors at their June meeting, I will replace Utah State President Stan Albrecht. My four-year term runs through August 2017. The eighteen-member NCAA board is comprised of chief executive officers who represent the various member conferences. The board's charge is to review NCAA policy and is authorized to modify legislation. We accepted the invitation to join the WAC last October and our membership became effective July 1. Conference affiliation solidifies our Division I status and allows our student-athletes to compete in post-season championships in all sports.

### **Appointment of Director of Development for the CSUB Foundation**

**Victor Martin** is a new complement to the University Advancement division. As Director of Development for the CSUB Foundation, he will cultivate major gifts to the School of Arts and Humanities, the School of Natural Sciences, Mathematics, and Engineering, and the Walter Stiern Library. Victor earned a bachelor's and master's degree from Southern Illinois University. His solid fundraising background includes working with numerous nonprofits in his home state of Illinois to build capacity and develop major capital campaigns. Most recently, he guided San Joaquin Community Hospital Foundation in exceeding its \$5 million campaign. Please join me in welcoming Victor to CSUB.

### **CSU Summer Algebra Institutes**

Math competency not only is a gateway to university access but also to university success and degree completion. Early math intervention strengthens math skills so that entering students arrive ready to succeed in college-level courses. A collaboration of the CSU and African American churches and faith-based organizations, Summer Algebra Institutes are five-week, standards-based math intensives for African American 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade students. The programs are provided free of charge and are taught by certified math instructors at churches and faith-based organizations. Summer Algebra Institutes are a key component of the CSU's African American Initiative which, along with the Asian/Pacific Islander, Native American, and Latino/a outreaches, comprise the CSU's system-wide initiatives for underrepresented communities. **Jacqueline Mimms**, Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management, coordinates the program statewide. Currently, the program is offered at churches in Bakersfield, Carson, Fresno, Irvine, Inglewood, Norwalk, Los Angeles, and San Bernardino. Compassion Christian Center runs the local Summer Algebra Institute. Culminating ceremonies for the Bakersfield's Summer 2013 class will take place on August 1 at Compassion Christian Center. Congratulations to Jackie Mimms for coordinating a model collaborative early intervention program.

### **CAMP Earns Top Ten Recognition**

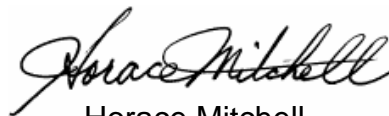
The U.S. Department of Education Office of Migrant Education has recognized CSUB's College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP) as a "Top Ten" performing program for 2011-2012. The Department of Education ranked the program in the Top Ten in three performance areas:

- highest performing program for first-year completers;
- highest performing program for first-year completers who continue enrollment;
- programs that met the first two criteria with the highest program efficiency.

Ninety-nine percent of our first-year CAMP students completed the first academic year of college. Of those who completed the first year, 98% continued in postsecondary education. The CAMP program exceeded both targets (86%) with an efficiency measure of 98%. Please join me in congratulating **Maria Escobedo**, CAMP Project Director, along with the CAMP faculty and staff partners, for this exceptional achievement.

### **University Council**

I hope you are finding ways to stay refreshed this summer. I look forward to seeing you around campus or at an upcoming University or community event. Take care.



Horace Mitchell  
President