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#### MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT-PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

Sure, some may consider July the prime time for Summer break, but not here at LBCC! No way! Things continue to roll right along practically at full speed – Summer Sessions, the Viking Summer Bridge, Summer Recreation, a new fiscal year and changeover in Board of Trustees leadership.

The last meeting in July marks the annual change on the dais for the Board of Trustees in which a new President and Vice President are named. I must tell you that our 2018-2019 Board of Trustees President, the one and only Sunny Zia, has been stellar. Her commitment to including our business community to expand on opportunities for our students, has been groundbreaking. Please join me in recognizing President Zia for bringing the Port of Long Beach in as one of the first industry partners of the Long Beach College Promise, for illuminating us on the plight of our homeless and needy students, and for her development of the Center for Community and Industry Partnership at LBCC. President Zia is an amazing force of energy and I remain grateful for her dedication to LBCC.

Last week we held our annual State of the College for our external community audience. We are so fortunate to have a supportive and interested network within our District. Looking around the room I noticed representation from every surrounding area - from Lakewood to Long Beach, from Signal Hill to Avalon, from Lynwood to Los Alamitos and from Artesia to Bellflower. I was thrilled to boast confidently about all of the wonderful, enterprising and innovative efforts we are making for their residents.

Next up is our chance to inform and boast to each other on August 23 at College Day! Join me at the Pacific Coast Campus to see about the exciting things happening there, while hearing about other news throughout both campuses. It too will be a fun day with our Colleagues celebrating the special place that is Long Beach City College.

In the meantime, keep enjoying summertime in the LBC!



# GRADE POINT AND BATTING AVERAGE Equal success for mark stanford



The LBCC Vikings are proud to announce that sophomore baseball player Mark Stanford was selected to the 2018-19 Google Cloud Academic All-America College At-Large First-Team.

He is one of six student-athletes from two-year colleges around the country to be on the First-Team selections. Athletes were selected by members of the College of Sports Information Directors of America.

Stanford graduated from Los Alamitos High School before joining the LBCC Vikings Baseball team. The Business Administration major made the Second-Team All-Conference as a utility player with alternating his talents by playing first base, third base and in the outfield last season. He also smashed 46 RBIs and while holding a .292 batting average for the 2019 season.

Viking Baseball Coach Casey Crook credits Stanford for setting concrete goals for himself, both academically and athletically.

"He has placed the highest priority on achieving those goals and has exhibited an amazing work ethic in his efforts to accomplish them," Crook said.

Stanford finished his sophomore year at LBCC with a 4.00 grade point average and will be continuing his success at Biola University in La Mirada.

LBCCD SUPERINTENDENT-DELIVERS 2019 STATE OF THE COLLEGE ADDRESS More than 160 community members, business leaders and elected officials attended Long Beach Community College District Superintendent-President Dr. Reagan Ferragamo Romali's State of the College address on July 18. In her keynote speech, Romali celebrated 2018-2019 academic and athletic accomplishments, as well as announcing two new centers that will serve the students at Long Beach City College starting in the fall.

"Because of the hard work of our students, as well as the tireless contributions of faculty and staff, we saw an increase of 30 percent in graduation compared to last year," said Romali. "If you include certificates, we increased our total awards by 82 percent."

Other highlights from the State of the College address:

- The costs for this year's State of the College event was significantly less than previous years. The savings will be used to open up two new centers. A Multi-Cultural Center will serve as a resource center for African American, LatinX, Asian Pacific Islander, LGBTQ+ and other students at LBCC. The Office of Basic Needs will assist students with housing, food insecurities and transportation. Both are expected to open in fall 2019.
- Romali announced the revival of LBCC's Trades programs. New and revised programs that will start this fall include construction technology, automotive technology, advanced transportation, engineering technology, welding and electrical.
- Construction projects completed in the 2018-2019 academic year included the renovated English Building and Building D at the Liberal Arts Campus
- Viking athletics saw another rewarding year, including a State Championship won by the Men's Volleyball Team.

Other speakers at the State of the College address included Long Beach Community College District Board of Trustees President Sunny Zia and LBCC alumnus Ryan Vane.











# LONG BEACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NAMES ALISIA KIRKWOOD AS NEW DEAN OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

The Long Beach Community College District has hired Dr. Alisia Kirkwood as its new Dean of Student Affairs.

Under the direction of the Vice President of Student Services, Kirkwood will be responsible for providing leadership for student government, student life, student health services, international students, student discipline, service learning/ Viking Volunteers, Title IX student sexual harassment/violence, and the annual commencement ceremony.

Kirkwood has served as the interim Dean of Student Affairs since December 2018. During her interim period, she chaired the largest commencement ceremony in LBCC's 92 yearhistory. Kirkwood previously served as the Interim Dean for Student Affairs at Rio Hondo College. Prior to Rio Hondo, she served the students of Cal State Fullerton as the Interim Dean of Students, and Coordinator for Student Life and Leadership. She also served as a Graduation Specialist for the College of Education for Cal State Fullerton where she provided academic advising for undergraduate students, facilitated outreach and counseling for prospective transfer students, and developed evidence-based interventions for maleidentified Black and Latino future teachers.

Kirkwood's higher education degrees include: a bachelor's degree in Sociology from UC Riverside; a master's degree in Education, with a concentration in higher education from Cal State Fullerton; and a Doctorate in Education, with a concentration in Community College Leadership from Cal State Fullerton.

## KRISTIN OLSON NAMED NEW ASSOCIATE Vice president of human resources

The Long Beach Community College District hired Kristin Olson as its new Associate Vice President of Human Resources.

Olson has served as the Long Beach City College's Executive Director of Classified Human Resources since October of 2017, and has worked as the interim vice president for the past year.

Under the supervision of the Vice President of Human Resources, Olson will be responsible for the District's human resources operations, including collective bargaining, employee/ employer relations, academic recruitment and hiring processes, staff diversity, human resources information systems management, unlawful discrimination, and ADA accommodations.

Olson, a resident of Long Beach, previously worked for the Santa Clara County Office of Education in San Jose. She also served in various director roles in human resources for more than 10 years. She has been involved in various professional organizations including: president of the board of directors for the Cooperative Organization for the Development of Employment Selection (CODESP); board member for the Personnel Commissioners' Association of Southern California; and various roles in the Personnel Testing Council of Southern California, the Society for Industrial & Organizational Psychology, and the Western Region Intergovernmental Personnel Assessment Council.

Olson holds a bachelor's degree in Psychology and Communication Studies from UCLA, a master's degree in Industrial and Organizational Psychology from CSULB, and a juris doctor degree from Loyola Law School. She is an active member of the State Bar of California.



## SAVORING SUMMERTIME WITH THE SPEAKER

Long Beach City College is a platinum sponsor for the city of Lakewood's annual Lakewood Concerts in the Park. Visit Lakewood's website for upcoming concert dates in August at <u>www.LakewoodCity.org</u>. (Left to right) California Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon; Megann Jenkins, Outreach Assistant; and Jeff Wood, Chief of Staff, Superintendent-President's office.



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# JULY/AUGUST

#### JULY 25-AUG. 4 DEARLY DEPARTED 7:30 P.M. AND 2 P.M. (SUNDAY MATINEES) Studio Theatre, Building H, Liberal Arts Campus

**UPCOMING EVENTS** 

**JULY 29** LONG BEACH SUMMER BAND CONCERT 7 P.M. Central Quad, Liberal Arts Campus

**AUG. 2 SISTERS OF CITY PHOTO EXHIBIT RECEPTION 6 P.M.–9 P.M.** T-1000, Liberal Arts Campus

**AUG. 26** FIRST DAY OF FALL SEMESTER

AUG. 28 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING 5:30 P.M. T-1100, Liberal Arts Campus

For more events and information, visit LBCC.edu/calendar.

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