



District 5340

6/7/2019

Established 1993

Opening Remarks and Announcements

The meeting was opened by President Elena Lujan-Alba. Guests include SDSU Two Rotaractors, Josh, year 3 and Erin, year 4;



Honorary Member Paulo Costa was back from his job in Texas to share in his daughter Paulina's graduation, from Grossmont High School.



Elena presented the three LM Sunrise Rotary scholarships to students at Lisa's Diego Hills alternative Charter School on Tuesday, and Max Scrivens and Betty Howland attended another Diego Hills school graduation and awarded Rotary scholarships.

Some of us attended Jane Kinyau's graduation at San Diego University in Peace and Reconciliation studies. Her sister, Monica, had earned a master's degree in peace studies a few years ago at SDU. Clara Harris told that her niece, Gage Wilson, has graduated into high school, and her grandson, Adam, who has visited us, graduated from Ramona High School. Jane is a native of Kenya, and with her sister, and help from Interactions 4 Peace, started a program to introduce kids from different, self-protective tribes in Kenya, to kids from those other tribes; to play together, and get to value each other. There are 26 different tribes, each with its own language, in Kenya; thus, there has traditionally been much hostility between many of them. This program is breaking down the separation.

"Interactions 4 Peace" board members: Elena, Eden, Clara and Bill.

Max Scrivens made an announcement about his friend, Nancy's organization "Care and Share", which has collected 15,700 toys for needy children.

La Mesa Sunrise Rotary Leadership 2018-2019

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Credits and Acknowledgements

- Pledge: Lisa Berlanga
- 4-way test: SDSU Rotaractor
- Photos: Bill Pogue
- **Minutes: Bill Pogue**





Jane Castanos and Bill Pogue awarded the Dr. Bill Pogue LMS Rotary scholarships of \$1,000.00

Each to Alice Hua and Venous Ghazi. By coincidence, Alice Hua has been the helix HS Interact President during 2018-9, and Venous Ghazi has been Interact's Publicity Chairperson.



Speaker Presentation:



by Dr. Shawn Hancock, Vice President of Student Success Grossmont and Cuyamaca Colleges.

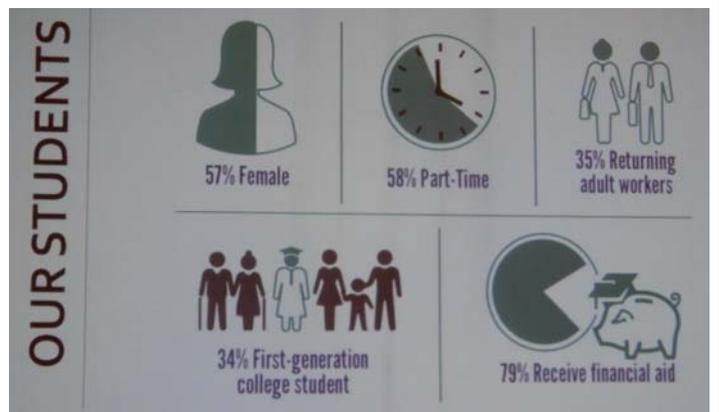
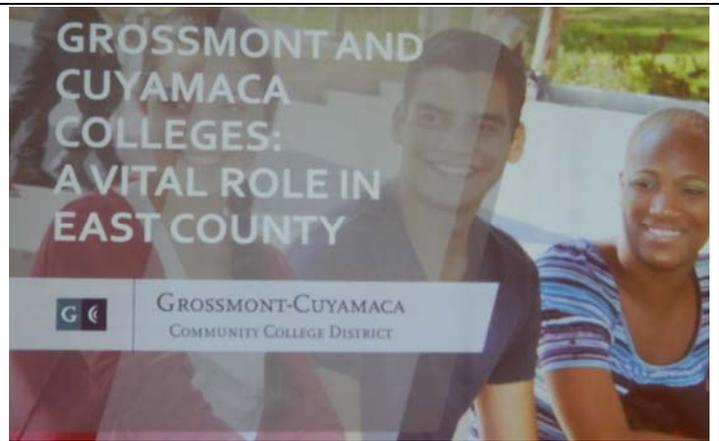
If a student is full time, 12 units or more these colleges will be free. Grossmont College, started in 1961, now has 18,000 students, and Cuyamaca Community College, which began operations in 1978, currently has 9,000

students. It is estimated that they have brought East County San Diego about one billion dollars, and alumni spending is estimated at one hundred million dollars. Here is a comparison of yearly fees to a student, for the area:

Grossmont College \$1,104.00, SDSU \$7,845.00, UCSD \$15,800.00, USD \$50,450.00.

Grossmont and Cuyamaca Community College students are 57% female, 58% part time, 34% first generation college students, 79% receive financial aid, and there are 35 returning adults.

Community Colleges have the largest number of enrolled college students in California. By earning an Associate Degree, one is guaranteed admission to a California State University. The number of degrees awarded has increased by 27% the past four years. 5,500 degrees and certificates were achieved in 2018. Grossmont is third highest in the state of California for its students to merit and experience transfers to California State Colleges.



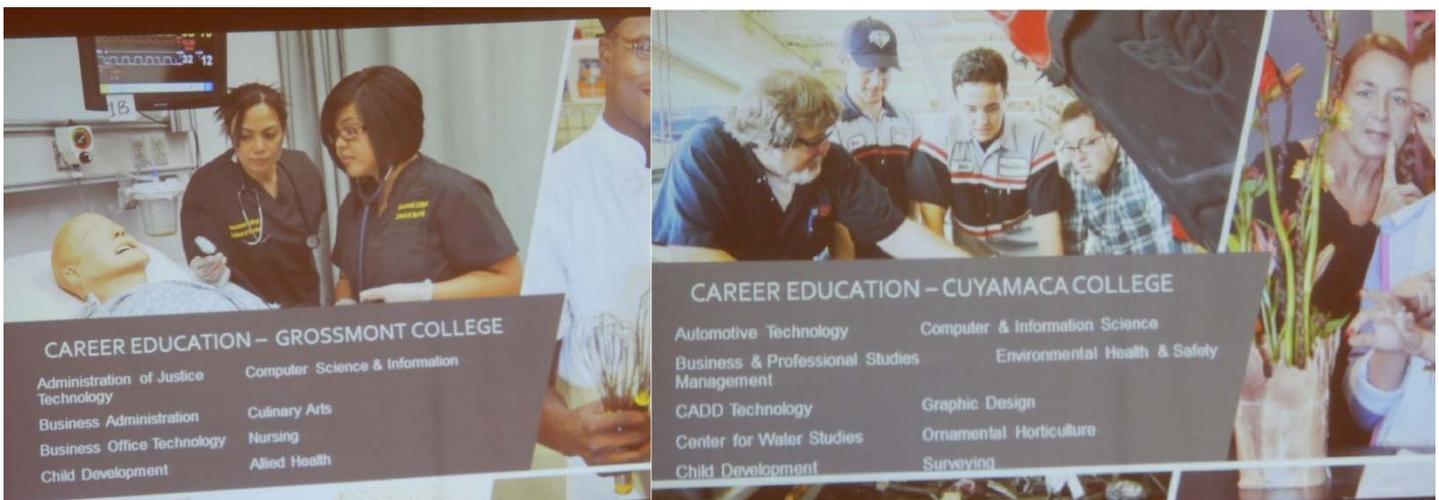
By 2013, the average cost of textbooks and supplies, at \$1,500, exceeded the \$1,334 for tuition at Grossmont College. Dillon said the cost of textbooks rose more than 800 percent between 1978 and 2010. The college has aggressively pursued “Open Educational Resources” which has the material in text books in digital form, at no cost to the student. For students who want a printed version of the book, thanks to OER, a hard copy can be purchased for less than \$13 at the college bookstore and online. This academic year, students at the campus are saving nearly \$1.3 million, thanks to the efforts of Dillon and other faculty members supporting the college’s push to sharply reduce textbook costs. The Open Educational Resources program, or OER, allows students to download digital versions of textbooks for free.

There is now an East County Educational Alliance, formed between Grossmont-Cuyamaca Colleges and the Grossmont and Mountain Empire High School Districts.

There is a corporate college division, with alliances and training for local businesses, e.g. SD Gas and Electric and others. **Grossmont Cuyamaca Community College** District Workforce Development specializes in offering certification courses for working professionals. Course offerings focus on Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Automotive Repair, and Electrician Certification. For the second straight year, Grossmont will offer free training in drone piloting to qualified students because of a \$6 million federal America’s Promise grant through the U.S. Department of Labor.

There is a new performing arts center soon to open for plays, speakers, athletics, music, etc. A monthly newsletter is available at no cost.

The Grossmont-Cuyamaca Colleges are developing on line classes, which will be particularly valuable to those students who are working.



Member's Highlights on Special Friday Fellowship



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