

Chabot-Las Positas Community College District For Immediate Release

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New Trustee Appointed to the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District Board of Trustees



(Dublin, CA) - The Chabot-Las Positas Community College District (CLPCCD) Board of Trustees has appointed Retired Community College Counselor and Department Chair Maria L. Heredia to its Board of Trustees. Heredia will hold the Trustee Area 4 seat (Castro Valley and parts of Oakland), which was formerly held by longtime Trustee Donald L. "Dobie" Gelles, until his unexpected passing in May, and will hold the position until at least the next scheduled election for governing board members in November 2020.



Heredia has four decades of public school experience, including 10 years at the high school level and 30 years at community colleges. She has previously been employed at Merritt, Laney, Chabot and City College of San Francisco, where she served as a counselor/coordinator and department chair and managed a comprehensive and diverse counseling office. Throughout her career, Heredia has been elected to three terms as department chair and three terms as part of the academic senate, as well as received appointments to multiple key committees including curriculum, articulation, budget and planning. She has been a member of The Centro Legal, the la Raza Board in Oakland, a number of Southwest voter registration drives and many community and parent education associations.

"We are pleased to announce Ms. Heredia to the Board of Trustees," said Edralin "Ed" Maduli, president of the Board of Trustees. "Her 30 years of community college experience, commitment to student success and knowledge of the areas in which she will serve will make her a valuable addition to our diverse and dedicated board."

The CLPCCD Board of Trustees is responsible for the governance of Chabot College in Hayward and Las Positas College in Livermore, and, as part of their duties, required to attend all board meetings, some college events, study agendas and issues and participate fully in the governance of the District.

Heredia was appointed after an extensive search that included an application review of 10 candidates, and interviews with current Board members. She holds a bachelor's degree in sociology and Spanish from Holy Names University in Oakland and a master's degree in school and career counseling from San Francisco State University. She has three children who are products and beneficiaries of community colleges.

She will take the oath of office at the Board's regularly scheduled board meeting on Tuesday, July 16 at the District Office, 7600 Dublin Blvd., 3rd Floor in Dublin.

About Chabot-Las Positas Community College District

CLPCCD serves 29,000 students annually, in the San Francisco East Bay Area, particularly southern Alameda County, through its two colleges: Chabot College in Hayward and Las Positas College in Livermore. CLPCCD is governed by a seven-member board of trustees which is responsible for all policy decisions. Board members are elected from trustee areas by the registered voters of nine communities: Castro Valley, Dublin, Hayward, Livermore, Pleasanton, San Leandro, San Lorenzo, Sunol, and Union City.

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