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**To:** Colleagues <colleagues@groups.csusb.edu>  
**Subject:** Academic Affairs Leadership Positions - Recruitment Updates

Dear Faculty and Staff,

In addition to the recruitment and selection of 39 tenure-track faculty hires for fall 2023, efforts are underway for five leadership positions in Academic Affairs. The positions, all of which have been posted, and a brief overview of the committee's status are noted below.

**Associate Vice President/Administrator in Charge of the Palm Desert Campus:** This committee, chaired by Rebecca Lubas, dean of University Libraries, had its first meeting on March 26. Six semi-finalists have since been determined and will be interviewed via Zoom during the week of April 10. On-campus interviews for the finalist are expected to occur in late April or early May.

- **Committee Members:** Nancy Acevedo (COE), Dawn Blue (CNS), Ezekiel Bonillas (JHBC), Risa Lumley (CAL/Library), Anissa Rogers (CCSBS), Cecile Dahlquist (Nurse Practitioner, PDC), Oscar Fonseca (career advisor, PDC), Avi Rodriguez (interim assistant dean, PDC), Sarah Lopez (ASI Vice President, PDC) and Janette Garcia (staff to the committee).

**Dean, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences:** Committee selection is near complete. Dorota Huizinga, associate provost for Academic Research and dean of Graduate Studies, is serving as the search committee chair for this position. Other committee members include Mark Agars (psychology), Jennifer Alford (geography), Yawen Li (social work), Kate Liszka (history), Tom Long (history), Carolyn McAllister (social work), Reveka Shteynberg (criminal justice), Staff Rep (TBD), Student Rep (TBD) and Janette Garcia (staff to the committee). The committee's kickoff meeting is scheduled for April 14.

**Associate Provost, Faculty Affairs and Development:** Committee selection is being finalized. Confirmed members include Committee Chair Matthew Poole (CAL), Sara Callori (CNS), Nicole Klimow (COE), Deirdre Lanesskog (CSBS), Taewon Yang (JHBC), Angie Otiniano-Verissimo (CNS), Anna Ni (JHBC), Rosie Torres and Tamanika Sells (FAD/staff reps) and Aj Hernandez (staff to the committee). The committee's kickoff meeting is scheduled for April 11.

**Vice Provost, Academic Programs:** Committee selection is being finalized. Confirmed members include Committee Chair Claudia Davis (faculty senate), Ryan Keating (CSBS), Kristi Papailler (CAL), Jacqueline Romano (COE), Amanda Rymal (CNS), Monty Van Wart (JHBC), Bryan Haddock (chief of staff), Patrick Bungard (staff to the committee). The committee's first meeting is scheduled for April 10.

**Associate Provost and Dean, College of Extended and Global Education:** This committee will kick off this semester and continue into fall 2023. A search firm has been obtained to assist with the process. Following the committee's first meeting, the position posting may be revised.

Selected candidates for these positions, except for the AVP/Dean for the College of Extended and Global Education, are expected to be determined by the end of the semester. A campus email will be sent once finalist and open forum dates are determined.

Special thanks to all of you who are serving in these important searches.

Sincerely,  
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