



# ACADEMIC SENATE News and Views

A newsletter published by the Academic Senate for the faculty of Coastline College.

May 2020

## President's Letter May 2020

Deborah Henry, M.D.

Another academic year draws to a close. We will remember this one, despite the blurriness that exists in our lives today where work and home have symbiosed. This spring has showed us the importance of preparedness and processes, and indeed we have worked on that in the Senate this year. I am proud of what we have achieved:

- *The first Senate photo on the web page*
- *The first College committee to go green*
- *The establishment of the Faculty Resources Canvas site*
- *The first year Coastline won the Board of Governors Exemplary Award (Cyber-security)*
- *Development of the second RSI task force ready to go next spring*
- *Revision of RSI plans*
- *Establishment of a process of appointing Faculty Coordinators*
- *Development of the first Academic Rubric for Online Synchronous Learning (in process)*
- *And now, help with the first virtual graduation*

Of course, no one works in a vacuum, and none of this would have been possible without our hard working, dedicated Executive Committee, Senators, Coastline faculty, and our amazing administrative assistant, Yadira Lopez-Daly.

This coming academic calendar year brings new challenges, but always with new challenges are new opportunities. Here's to a safe summer that replenishes you with the joy of teaching and learning.

Debbie

## 6 Faculty Released From Salt Mine

- Fred Feldon / Randall Warwick
- Michael Warner / Michael Bach
- Jane Bauman / Judy Montigue



## Going Out With a Zoom Instead of a Bang!

by Jane Bauman

After close to 30 years at Coastline, I'll be retiring from full-time teaching at the end of this spring semester. I wasn't planning on retiring quite yet, but the District made me an offer I can't refuse! I remember when Ed Decker first hired me as an adjunct back in '89 to teach a Beginning Drawing class – and the class didn't make enrollment! At the time I was also working at the Newport Harbor Art Museum (now OCMA) and briefly considered making museum work my primary career. But Ed kept calling me back, and my classes started to make enrollment. When a full-time position opened up, I applied and became tenured in '99.

What attracted me to Coastline and has kept me there have been the people and the can-do attitude that distinguishes our college. We have always known how to 'turn a sow's ear into a silk purse.' It hasn't always been easy, but most of the time it's been fun. I am so proud of what we all have accomplished and will continue to do – even in these dark days of Covid-19. I might be back to teach a class next spring semester, but regardless I'll always be a Coastliner!

## Academic Rank Recipients

**Daniel Salcedo**  
Assistant Professor

**Sasha Montero**  
Associate Professor

**Kevin Erdkamp**  
Professor

**Angela Gomez-Holbrook**  
Professor

# A Milestone in Your Career

John Weispfenning - Chancellor

Earning tenure is a milestone in your academic career. You have demonstrated that you are a full member of the academy. Yes, your duties remain largely the same, but other things have changed. Your role on the campus will grow as you take on leadership responsibilities within your department and through campus wide committees. Your experiences so far, combined with the experiences to come, will provide you with a perspective that will bring additional depth and meaning to your teaching and work with students. Enjoy what's coming, and embrace this next wonderful stage of your career.



# Longterm Lab Coat Filled

Steven Fauce, Ph.D.

I have a distinct memory of ripping off my gloves and lab coat at my old place of employment so that I could run out of the lab and into the hallway to take a call from Dr. Adrian telling me that I was chosen for the full-time faculty position. I also remember the weeks leading up to the Fall 2016 semester, wondering how was going to manage multiple classes at the same time, and not really knowing what to expect and how I was going to contribute to the college. Now just a short four years later, I feel extremely lucky to have completed the tenure track process, gain an awesome group of colleagues, and be given the opportunity to contribute in so many ways. Of course, I need to thank the members of my tenure review committee for helping out every step of the way!



# Mojica's Moment



The process of becoming a tenured faculty member has been one of the most academically rigorous endeavors post grad school. However, it has also been one of the most important experiences of my professional life. Earning the position of being a tenured faculty member is something that is full of meaning to me and to the rest of the almost 300 people I am related to in Orange County. My parents were migrant farm workers. Neither one of them had the opportunity to continue beyond middle school. I am the first person in my family who had the opportunity to make a decision about how I would make my way through this life. Those in my family who are the first generation in this country didn't have many choices with regards to work. They worked to survive. I was the first in my family to have a choice about how I would make my way through this life. I chose education, and then Coastline chose me. I am immensely grateful to Dr. Adrian for hiring me, to my tenure committee for teaching me, and for the constant support of my EOPS and Coastline familia!

# Our Locked in Librarian

Hi all, it's Elizabeth in the Library. Before coming to Coastline, I was a tenured Librarian at another community college. I am sure I got the job based on some work I did at Coastline as an intern. Cheryl Stewart (previous Librarian) and I had remained in contact, and I remember when she called me to tell me she was going to retire. Coastline was my dream library job and I remember the text from VPI Dr. Rodriguez the night the Board approved me to work at Coastline. It said "Welcome back to the family."



I came to Coastline in a time of transition (Canvas, OEI), and the library was ready for a change also. Everything was evolving, and I was able to really spread my wings and fly at Coastline. I didn't realize the cage I had been in until I came to the "College Without Walls." This is a special college, and I am so happy to have made it through my four-year probation period to become a permanent Coastliner!

## Congratulations on Tenure

Sasha Montero / Elizabeth Horan

HaoNhien Vu / Steven Fauce

Daniel Salcedo / Claudia Mojica

Stacey Smith / Angela Gomez-Holbrook

# An Administrators' Farewell

*Lori, Christine, and Vince*

Congratulations to our six faculty colleagues who are graduating from Coastline on June 30, 2020, as they transition from full-time teaching to new adventures as "cool" and relaxed retirees! Please join me in extending our love, deep appreciation, and best wishes to Professors Michael Bach (43 years), Jane Bauman (30 years), Fred Feldon (26 years), Judy Montague (40 years), Michael Warner (33 years), and Randall Warwick, (28 years). Together, they represent 200 years of excellence in teaching and dedicated service to our students and the Coast District.

As we prepare to say Au Revoir and See You Again Soon to Jane, Michael W., Fred, Randall, Michael B., and Judy, we can't help but feel a mixed sense of joy and sadness. After many years of dedicated service, retirement is well deserved—a joyous occasion to be celebrated for sure. But the thought of not seeing them as often on our campuses also engenders a sense of melancholy. We will miss them greatly.

**Michael B.**-- you are the most recent member of the Class of 2020 retirees to join the College. You adjusted quickly to your new home college, worked closely with your fellow faculty, refined your skills in a new discipline, and adapted to online teaching. You are a faculty leader who will be remembered for the thoughtful thank-you messages, and mementos you provided to those who helped you along the way.

**Jane**-- for years you have helped integrate and lead the Arts programs in shopping centers, old elementary schools, and any space the College could find. With your creativity and leadership, the Coastline Arts program has always been recognized as a valued resource for our community. I am told that you inspired the vision for the Arts program, including the Newport Beach Campus Art Gallery of which we are so proud. You are a gifted artist whose talents you have so generously shared with Coastline.

**Fred** -- although you may have started at the Rancho Community College District, you found your home at Coastline. Your passion for teaching math is undeniable and contagious, as well as your drive to innovate, to try different teaching tools, and to pilot new strategies. Over the years you have worked diligently to sharpen your teaching, never settling for status quo. You are a strong student advocate, making sure that students are provided the resources they deserve.

**Judy**--you have exemplified great compassion and dedication for our English-as-a-second-language students. Throughout your career, you have demonstrated a strong commitment to ensuring that students feel a sense of belonging. You have inspired thousands of ESL students to achieve their goals. You have promoted a sense of community among our students and our staff. Over the years you have not only taught language skills; you have also modeled inclusion and appreciation for others.

**Randall**--you brought your expertise and experience working in research laboratories to Coastline. You shared your knowledge of biology with generations of future scientists and thousands of students who asked "When will I use this stuff?" They didn't know it then, but as they grew and matured, we are confident that they have applied the many valuable lessons they learned in your Biology classes.

**Michael W.**—I hear that you have many stories to tell about teaching computer networking classes in a former jail and a number of other facilities that were less than ideal. You have played a vital role in moving the networking program to our Garden Grove Campus and in ensuring that Coastline remains a leader in the ever-changing world of computer networking. You have helped countless students earn well-paying IT jobs and have prepared students for their next industry certification.

To all of the retiring faculty--- thank you for all you have done for your students and for Coastline. It's been a great honor to know you and work with you. Your legacies of service, academic excellence, collaboration, leadership, and positive impact will live on for many years to come. ENJOY your well-deserved retirement, and please keep in touch!

We will celebrate all of our faculty, classified professionals, and manager retirees in mid-June



**Enjoy Your Summer**  
Can you give me a better title for this drawing?  
If yes! Share it with me.  
dmlee@coastline.edu

# Are There Any Positives From the Covid-19 Pandemic?

Hello Colleagues,

My name is **Fabie Albert**. I have a Master's in Public Health and have been teaching Health and Public Health courses at Coastline College. It goes without saying that a lot has changed thanks to Covid-19 and that most of it has been for the worse. SARS-CoV-2 (the virus that causes Covid-19 disease) is both highly contagious and has the potential to cause horrific harm to individuals and communities alike. Because it is such a serious disease, reasonable safety precautions, such as those found in the CDC (Center for Disease Control) guidelines, should be followed. With that said, this article is not meant to highlight the information you can easily find on the net but rather to notice a few acts of kindness and humanitarianism that, given these trying times, might inspire us with a bit of precious hope.



Primarily, our very own communities have collectively answered the call to bring aid to the needing and vulnerable. For example, some neighborhoods have, with the help of the NextDoor App, organized support for the elderly and chronically ill by helping to provide them with whatever supplies they currently need. Additionally, other organizations, such as Shopping Angels, have rallied volunteers to deliver essentials straight to the homes of the elderly, meaning they no longer have to risk leaving their home (Callahan, 2020). Lastly, many generous people have been buying excess facemasks (non-medical grade) to donate towards various charitable causes, such as the SoCal Hospice Foundation and St. Jude Hospital.

Grocery stores have been doing their part as well, allocating time (before store opens to the public) for the most vulnerable to shop and satisfy their needs. What a great way our food service has implemented to help those in need! And, since last week, they are attempting to reduce crowds in the stores by allowing only a minimal number of people at any given time. Everyone is trying to do their part to reduce the infection rate, that is great news!

One final development that came near and dear to my heart was how families that are now all at home together have had an opportunity to develop more ways to bond. I have personally seen puzzles and board games make a huge comeback! Furthermore, with the shut down of our gyms, home exercise and nature hikes also seem to have grown in popularity. In the midst of all this chaos, stress, and worry, it is beautiful to see people, families, friends, and neighbors all come together (in a social distance type of way, of course!) and help one another however possible.

I hope it is not just optimistic, but realistic, for me to foresee a slightly better world in store after the Covid-19 threat has passed.

Fabie Albert, MPH  
Coastline College, Department of Health Science,  
Part-time Instructor for Health and Public Health.

# A Brief History of OER at Coastline

By Scott Davis

This is my last report as OER coordinator, as our FT librarian Elizabeth Horan assumes coordinator duties this summer, so I wanted to share a little OER history from its inception at Coastline.

It started in Summer '15 with a grant application from Senate Exec submitted to the State on the day it was due for a modest amount, our goal being ten zero-cost classes by 2016. We started with four zero-cost sections, two of Dan Johnson's history sections and two of my freshman composition sections. At the time we had barely heard of OER; in fact, we were still mixing up acronyms for OER (open educational resources) and OEI (online education initiative)!

Five years later, as of Spring '20, we have 173 sections on the general fund side and 70 on the ELD side for a total of 243 sections, the most in the District. Coastline is the smallest school in the District, so our proportion of zero-cost classes is also the highest. In addition, we have a zero-cost pathway for students to complete all their gen ed courses for an Option 2 AA degree without ever paying for a textbook. In a class of 30, students using free materials save an average of \$4,050, so one can envision the cost savings over 243 sections during a single semester.

OER is part of the fabric of Coastline thanks to the commitment of our AS presidents like Debbie, Stephen, and Ann; our administration from President Adrian and VP Rodriguez through the deans; classified staff like Nicki Salcedo, Darian, and the grants team; Mariam and the Foundation; and, of course, the world-beating faculty at Coastline--you all who ultimately did the hard work of converting your courses from publisher content to free, open materials and in so doing transformed your students' Coastline experience.

This Years Recipient of the  
**Teaching Excellence Award**  
is  
**Melissa Edson**

# Scott Davis to Cathy Palmer

Retiring after 43 years, Professor Cathy Palmer will be remembered as one of the kindest, most committed instructors the English program and College have had the pleasure of working with. Most recently, Cathy taught Business Writing, Appreciation of Literature, and Freshman Composition. One of the original instructors from the start of the College in 1976, Cathy is quick with a compliment or humorous aside. We wish her the utmost happiness in retirement.

## My Coastline Journey

by Cathy Palmer

I joined the CCCD in January 1971, then worked in the Chancellor's office for 12 years and later in various areas in personnel until the end of my District Office tenure in Spring 2003, when I retired as Classified from PERS. While working in the Chancellor's office, I was fortunate to experience the development of KOCE and Coastline Community College. Coastline was designed after the Open University in England. The District sent our Public Relations Officer to England for a year to study the operations of the University.



In fall 1976, I was fortunate to be among the first teachers to be employed as an adjunct teacher while continuing to work full time at the District. Coastline's first faculty meeting was held in the Golden West College gym while we sat on bleachers. For those who may not know, Coastline was created to hire only part-time teachers; however, a glitch in contract service for a couple of certificated teachers occurred, and Coastline had to legally hire teachers over the part-time legal hours. As an aside, District administration wanted Coastline to be named Coast Community College; however, the name "Coastline" was chosen because of the likelihood that the name "Coast" might be confused with Orange Coast College. (Many then called and still refer to Orange Coast College as Coast.)

I'm thankful for the exciting journey that I've made with Coastline, from teaching my very first class in an office building at 666 Baker Street in Costa Mesa. Yes, I had a student who "took an exception to the address." The subject of the course was probably in business communication.

In those days, elementary and high schools were leased for a period of time for Coastline in Newport Beach, Costa Mesa, Huntington Beach, Westminster, and Garden Grove. Coastline also had a weekend college for a few semesters; it was long hours and not fun. The travels took me on to teaching in the Garden Grove and Westminster-LeJao centers to online teaching for many years, ending with a couple classes in Independent Study.

I'm more than grateful to have taught at Coastline with so many competent and wonderful teachers and staff. I will continue to cherish each friendship. My desire is and was to lead my students to love the English Language.

***Cathy served on the Academic Senate for 9 years.***

## Incoming Senators

2020/2021

Joshua Levenshus

Fred Curry

David Devine

Lisa Lee

Oceana Callum

David Michael Lee

Lisa Demchik

Claudia Mojica

Ryan Boyd

Layla Salimi

Brandon Brown\*

## First Time Senator

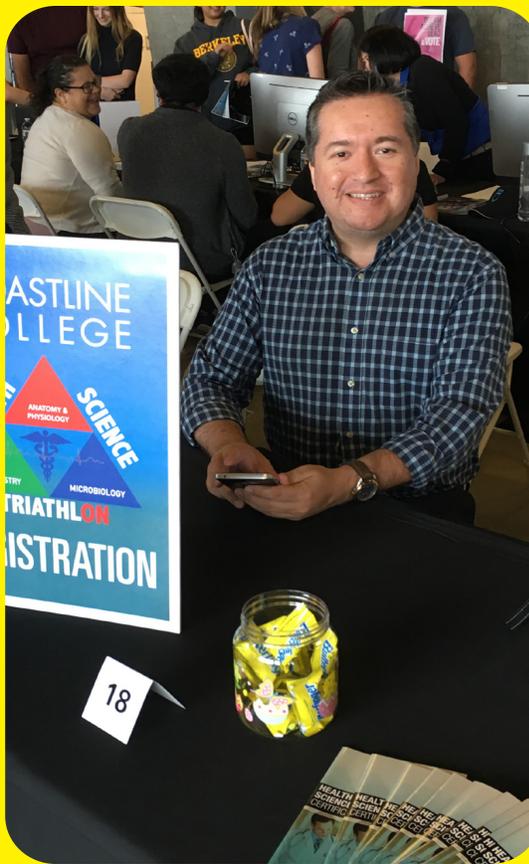
Heading into my fourth year as a full-time faculty member in the English department at Coastline, I am truly excited about serving as an Academic Senator for the first time. With the help of my colleagues, I recently established the Crux Essay Contest and StoryLine, Coastline's new "arts and letters" magazine. Thus, I am very interested in the ways in which "extracurricular" recognition and opportunities can augment a student's college experience. I will bring this perspective, and an eagerness to learn more about shared governance, to our Senate. I am also a mom of two young boys and live in San Clemente. When I am not grading papers, you can find us at the beach.

-Oceana Callum



## A few words from the TEACHER OF THE YEAR Daniel Salcedo, Ph.D.

As an instructor, it is important to realize that not all students are alike and that all students bring with them their own educational background and study skill level. In my classroom I provide a wide variety of resources that students can choose from that best fits their learning style while simultaneously exposing them to new methods of learning. These include specially prepared review questions, heavy use of multimedia in presentations, online study games, encouragement of study groups, and real-world applications to the topics they are learning about. The extra effort provided goes a long way in having students realize that we really are invested in their success.



Congratulations to Dr. Daniel Salcedo, who is recognized by the Coastline College Academic Senate as the Teacher of the Year award winner. He has been teaching in Biology and specializing in Microbiology and Physiology. He prepares many students for careers or advancement in Allied Health. Dr. Salcedo is also active outside the classroom. He has provided guidance to the Pre-Allied Health Club, Academic Senate, and as a campus representative in the Coast Federation of Educators. We appreciate all that Dr. Salcedo does to help students and faculty to be successful. Thank you for all you do and all the great things in your future.

- Dr. Vince Rodriguez



# STUDENT EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND

COVID-19

**Help us meet our student's needs during this difficult time.**

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Coastline College Foundation established a Student Emergency Relief Fund, which will provide immediate grants to help students overcome obstacles such as job loss, lack of childcare, food and housing insecurities caused by the COVID-19 economic impact.

Coastline College's Foundation Board of Directors has released \$100,000 to provide a dollar-for-dollar match for this fundraising effort.

We are asking our donors, community members, faculty members and staff to do their part.

**Donate Now**

[www.coastline.edu/foundation](http://www.coastline.edu/foundation)

[#coastlinecovidrelief](https://twitter.com/coastlinecovidrelief)

**HELP STUDENTS NOW  
DONATE TODAY**

## Elected Curriculum Representatives

At-Large – Marilyn Brock / Layla Salimi  
Career Programs – Brandon Brown  
Distance Learning – Mahbub Khan  
ESL – Timothy Grove  
Fine & Applied Arts – Joel Woodard

*I'm honored to be a part of the Curriculum Committee and I look forward being involved in the decision process for the Art Dept. at Coastline. The best teachers I've ever had helped me discover who I am, and it makes me happy to have the opportunity to pay that forward to future art students. - Joel Woodard*

*It is my honor to join Coastline's Curriculum Committee. I look forward to participating in the collaborations, open communications, and decision-makings that lead to continuous improvement and institutional effectiveness. - Layla Salimi*

*I'm honored to be re-elected to the Curriculum Committee. I plan to continue learning more about the policies, procedures, and implementation of our curriculum processes to serve as a resource for other faculty. My goal is for students to receive what they need through their education at Coastline and the dynamic nature of curriculum is a core feature of that. We have such talented faculty at Coastline and the collaborative method of the curriculum committee capitalizes on that; it is exciting to be a part of it! - Marilyn Brock*

## Canceled Conference

Congratulations to Coastline's DGA (Digital Graphic Applications) Photoshop 116A student Juana Carrillo - winner of NISOD's student graphic design contest. DGA Professor **Angela Gomez-Holbrook** was very pleased to hear the news. The winning submission best reflected the theme of teaching excellence, stem, and technology. Juana will receive \$1,000 and five poster-size copies of her artwork. Now canceled, Juana's artwork would have served as the look and feel for NISOD's 2021 International conference, which also included \$400 in transportation expenses, three nights lodging (Saturday, Sunday, and Monday nights only), and complimentary registration to attend the 2020 International Conference on Teaching and Leadership Excellence, May 23-May 26, in Austin, Texas. In addition, Coastline College will receive a complimentary 2020-21 NISOD membership.



### Executive Board

**President - Curriculum Co-Chair** Deborah Henry  
**President-Elect** Lisa Lee  
**Recording Secretary** Marilyn Brock  
**Corresponding Secretary** David Michael Lee  
**Treasurer** Michael Bach  
**Parliamentarian** Steve Fauce  
**Curriculum Co-Chair** Dan Johnson

**VISION STATEMENT:** Creating opportunities for student success.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** Coastline College guides diverse populations of students toward the attainment of associate degrees and certificates leading to career advancement, personal empowerment, and transfer. By meeting students where they are, Coastline provides innovative instruction and services designed to achieve equitable outcomes.

### COASTLINE COLLEGE PRESIDENT:

Loretta P. Adrian, Ph.D.

### COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

David A. Grant, Mary L. Hornbuckle, Jim Moreno, Jerry Patterson, Lorraine Prinsky, Ph.D., and Spencer Finkbeiner, Student Trustee

### CHANCELLOR:

John Weispenning, Ph.D.

**ACCREDITATION:** Coastline Community College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, 10 Commercial Boulevard, Suite 204, Novato, CA 94949, (415) 506-0234, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education.

### NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT:

The Coast Community College District does not discriminate unlawfully in providing educational or employment opportunities to any person on the basis of race, color, sex, gender identity, gender expression, religion, age, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, marital status, medical condition, physical or mental disability, military or veteran status, or genetic information.

## Cybersecurity

On Saturday, April 25th, Coastline's Cybersecurity faculty hosted its first virtual Cybersecurity Badge Day for Girl Scouts of Orange County. Over 60 girls participated in today's cybersecurity awareness training and an exciting panel lunch talk with a Pentester, a Forensics Analyst, and a Threat Hunter from CrowdStrike, followed by a CTF to earn their cybersecurity badges. Faculty partnered with WiCyS, Techqueria, CrowdStrike, and teachers Nga Le and Marquez Garrett from a local middle school and high school to bring the event to the Girl Scouts.



**Junior** – Cybersecurity Safeguards Badge  
**Ambassador** – Cybersecurity Basics Badge  
**Senior** – Cybersecurity Safeguards Badge

11460 Warner Avenue  
Fountain Valley, CA 92708  
(714) 546-7600  
Senate (714) 241-6157

