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Report to ASCCC

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Board-Related

- The Board would like to thank Ryan Cartnal for his service as the Central Coast/North Los Angeles regional representative, and welcome his appointed replacement, Melanie Rogers from Santa Barbara City College, who will complete the last year of Ryan's term through June 2023.
- The Board met to refine its 2022-23 goal related to our relationship with the CCCCCO:
 - Strengthen The RP Group's relationship with the CCCCCO and advocate/bridge communication between the CCCCCO and the IRPE field

Research and Evaluation

- The Statewide College Decisions Survey has launched, with the deadline extended from August 30, 2022 to September 23, 2022.

Professional Development

- The RP Group invites you to participate in our October [virtual LFM Leadership Community: Exchanging Insights and Experiences with Peers!](#) **Join us via Zoom on Friday, October 21, 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm.**
 - The LFM Leadership Community is a unique opportunity to connect with your community college colleagues and participate in a small-group facilitated activity led by an LFM coach where you will be able to:
 - Get advice on a dilemma you might be having at your college
 - Share your wisdom with others
 - Learn from others' personal experiences
 - Practice your leadership skills, including active listening, effective communication, and problem-solving
 - Please **come ready to share a problem you can clearly present in one to two minutes** and to hear different perspectives and approaches for resolution from your peers.
 - There is no cost to participate, but **the deadline to sign up is Wednesday, October 19.** The RP Group will continue to offer these opportunities **each month.** We look forward to welcoming you to connect, share, and grow through this exciting new LFM offering!

- [Find out more and sign up today!](#) For more information or questions, please send an email to **Ireri Valenzuela, LFM Director**, at irerilm@rpgroup.org.
- Please join us on **Wednesday, September 21st from 9:00–10:30 am** for our next **IRPE Equity Research & Social Justice Collaborative** discussion focused on discussing methods and practices IRPE offices can utilize to foster campus cultures that are able to activate racial equity data and inspire positive change for racially minoritized students.
 - We will cover approaches and strategies to assess institutional data culture, facilitate equity data conversations, and cultivate inquiry and curiosity amongst campus practitioners around why racial equity gaps exist.
 - In addition, the monthly space will provide opportunities for cooperative problem solving and collaboration on racial equity related efforts across campuses.
 - This series will be led by **Hannah Lawler of Santa Monica College** and **Gio Sosa of Crafton Hills College** and will be hosted on the **third Wednesday each month** through February 2023. **Here's a [link to register](#) for this free series.**
- **There is still time to register for Strengthening Student Success Conference 2022 (#SSSC22).** If you are curious about what sessions will be presented at this year's conference, you can find detailed breakout session descriptions on our [Program & Schedule](#) page.
 - We are excited to provide **TWO WAYS for attendees to participate in this year's conference!**
 - **IN-PERSON:** The in-person conference will be hosted at the **Hyatt Regency Orange County in Garden Grove, October 5–7**. We are looking forward to being together again!
 - **ONLINE:** Unable to attend in person? You can still participate! Join us for our **Virtual Session Sampler, October 5–6**, including live-streamed plenaries and live virtual breakout sessions via Zoom.
 - You can also sign up to be a [Room Host](#) and **attend the in-person conference for free!**
 - [Learn more and register!](#)