

**PCC Faculty Association (PCCFA) Board of Trustees Fact Sheet**  
**October 15, 2009**

**Fact:** The PCC Board of Trustees 2009-2010 budget (passed September 15<sup>th</sup>) will cut 457 classes. At an average of 30 students/class, that means 13, 700 students will not have classes in Winter and Spring, 2010! Winter session (alone will be reduced by 282 classes, a 47% cut from the 598 classes offered in Winter 2009.

**Fact:** The cuts are NOT due to the budget crisis in Sacramento. While the state's finances must always be factored into any discussion, PCC's official budget document projects an ending surplus of \$15, 679,448\* or 13.29% of the total budget. State regulations require a 5% reserve/surplus. **Why doesn't the college utilize its surpluses when it denies students access to the education they so desperately need?**

**Fact:** The Fiscal Services office has stated that the cost of one class is "between \$5000 and \$10,000." If we take the \$10,000 figure, then 450 classes could be kept at a cost of \$4,500,000. **The college could/should absorb those costs and still have an ample surplus.**

**Fact:** Former President Perfumo is still being paid \$215,000 for highly questionable duties. Effectively, she was dismissed for incompetence in August. However, just a half year before she was let go, she had been given a substantial raise (\$225,000/year), allowed use of a \$53,000 Cadillac purchased by the college (then sold to her at half the price), and granted numerous other perks.

**Fact:** Total fees paid by PCC to consultants last year were **\$678,133**, and a whopping **\$511,894** will be given to consultants for this coming year. Perfumo spent huge amounts of money on consultants. Though she is gone, the wasteful practice continues. One of Perfumo's expensive ideas was Vision 20/20 (now called Education 20/20); it alone will pay out \$220,000 to MIG Corporation for consultant's fees of little to no value. **Why is the District spending over a half million dollars on consultants when it is cutting classes?**

**Fact:** The college will receive \$800,000 in federal stimulus funds, a now guaranteed amount, but, according to the Office of Fiscal Services, the college is not planning to use those funds this year.

**Fact:** The college will 'set aside' \$1.4 million in its Self Insurance Fund (SIF) which now has reached \$14,830,596. The college could easily utilize some of these resources to fund classes; instead the SIF becomes another bank account to store money.

**Fact:** The Board of Trustees refuses to pay for Conference Hours for Part Time Teachers which means approximately 35% of students can not meet their instructors outside of class. The reason? Several Board members have said there is no space for Part Timers to meet. However, PCC has more new buildings than any community college in Southern California. **How could so many new buildings have been planned without consideration for teachers' and students' needs?**

\*Note: All budget data has been taken from PCC's published documents (<http://pasadena.edu/publicrelations/budget/budgetupdate.cfm>) or from statements from the office of Fiscal Services.