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El Camino College Boundary Review Committee Schedules its First Meeting

The recently appointed El Camino Community College District Boundary Review Committee (BRC) will hold its inaugural meeting on July 21, 2011, at 3:30 p.m. in the El Camino College Board Room, 16007 Crenshaw Boulevard, Torrance.

The committee comprises at least one member from each of the El Camino Community College District's (ECCCD) five trustee areas. Members include: John Edward Alter, a Torrance attorney; Heidi Ann Koch Ashcraft, CFO of Ashcraft Design, Torrance and former member of the Torrance Unified School District; Marché L. Boose, a business development and client relations manager from Inglewood; Nilo Michelin, history teacher and member of the Hawthorne School District Board of Trustees; Nathan M. Mintz, an engineer from Redondo Beach; Steve Napolitano, a former mayor of Manhattan Beach and representative for Supervisor Knabe in the South Bay; and El Segundo publicist Susan W. Truax, a board member of the El Segundo Education Foundation and former El Camino College Bond Oversight Committee member for Measure E.

The El Camino Community College District, along with many other public agencies and school districts in California, has begun a public process to review and modify its elected trustee area boundaries. This process includes utilizing 2010 census data to review current trustee areas to ensure they are representative of the District's constituents.

In fall 2010, the ECCCD Board of Trustees initiated discussions on the process required to modify trustee area boundaries and change from "at large" to "trustee area" elections.

Currently, trustees in the El Camino Community College District must live in the trustee area they represent, however residents of the ECCCD vote for trustee candidates "at large;" that is, voters cast their vote for all candidates on the ballot. When voting by "trustee area," residents would only vote for candidates who reside in their trustee area.

The BRC will schedule public hearings in the fall, with plans to present a recommendation to the ECCCD Board of Trustees in 2012.