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El Camino College Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee Gains New Members

Five new members were recently appointed to the El Camino College Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee. The nine-person panel, appointed by the Board of Trustees, is in charge of reviewing expenditures for Measure E, the \$394.5 million bond approved by voters in November 2002.

Lou Garcia, of Redondo Beach; Judith Gibson, of Torrance; David Nordel of Torrance; Chris Powell, of El Segundo; and Shannon Presley of Redondo Beach are new to the committee, which will regularly report their progress to the community.

"We welcome these new members to the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee and look forward to their expertise in guiding the college through this important time of growth," said Thomas M. Fallo, El Camino College president.

Lou Garcia, a Redondo Beach resident, is the former city manager of Redondo Beach. In addition to serving in management positions in cities across California, he also ran his own consulting firm. Garcia is also a member of the El Camino College Foundation Board. He has a master's degree in public administration and a bachelor's degree in political science and administration, both from California State University, Los Angeles

Judith Gibson, of Torrance, is a member of the Torrance Planning Commission and a founding member of the Torrance Education Foundation. She will serve on the oversight committee as the representative for Trustee Area 5. Gibson is also member of the Torrance Unified School District Facilities Ad Hoc Committee, and is a 17-year PTA member. In the community, she has been a Park and Recreation Commissioner, and a Community Services Commissioner, among many other leadership positions.

David Nordel is freshman at El Camino College, studying electrical engineering. After graduation, he plans to transfer to UCLA, followed by law school. He is a member of the award-winning El Camino College forensics team where he competes in parliamentary debate, extemporaneous speaking, and impromptu speaking. Nordel is also the ASO student senate leader as well as senator for the Mathematics and Science Division. He is an Eagle Scout and a Torrance resident.

Chris Powell, an El Segundo resident, is the chief financial officer at Washington Iron Works in Gardena and represents Trustee Area 4 on the oversight committee. He is also

president of the El Segundo Unified School District Board of Education, where he has been a member since 1995. As a school board member, he oversaw \$65 million in modernization and new construction to district facilities, and served as board liaison to the facilities, oversight, and construction steering committees.

Shannon Presley, of Redondo Beach, is a sales representative at Virco Manufacturing Corporation in Torrance and serves as the Foundation member of the oversight committee. She has a bachelor's degree in interior design from the Pratt Institute, School of Art and Design in Brooklyn; and a master's degree in management from the University of Redlands, Whitehead College.

The new members join existing members of the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee: Robert Hammond, Leandro Carde, Janina G. Velasquez, and Raymond Roney.

The next meeting of the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee is scheduled for 3 p.m. April 19.

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