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El Camino College Names New Vice Presidents

The El Camino Community College District Board of Trustees recently named Barbara Perez the new Vice President of El Camino College Compton Center and Lynn Solomita the Interim Vice President, Human Resources at El Camino College.

In this new position, Perez will work under the direction of the El Camino College Superintendent/President Thomas Fallo, serving as the chief academic and student services officer for El Camino College Compton Center. She will lead the planning, development, and implementation of the overall instructional program, student services program and support services for Compton Center.

Solomita is the former vice president, human resources at Santa Monica College and previously served as the director of personnel services at El Camino College.

"We welcome Ms. Perez and Ms. Solomita to these positions and will rely on their collective experience as we continue to move forward with our mission of offering excellent educational opportunities to our community," said Fallo.

Perez has worked at El Camino College since 1983, most recently serving as vice president, human resources. She first joined the college faculty as a chemistry professor and faculty coordinator for the Division of Mathematics and Physical Sciences. She was also a faculty coordinator for the Human Resources Department and Academic Affairs Division. Perez was named dean of the college's Division of Natural Sciences in 2002, and then appointed to the position of interim associate vice president of human resources in 2006, followed by VP Human Resources.

In the last several years, Perez's leadership spanned several important campus projects: she provided oversight of the recent science complex renovation project, working with both division and college officials, and served on the initial task force to implement student learning outcomes.

Perez has bachelor's and master's degrees in chemistry, both from California State University, San Diego. She has also completed graduate coursework from the Community College Studies EdD Program at UCLA. Her professional affiliations include memberships with the American Chemical Society, the Faculty Association of California Community Colleges, and the American Association of University Women.

At El Camino College, Perez served on the Budget Development Task Force, the Division Advisory Committee, College Council, and was co-chair of the 2002 Accreditation Steering Committee. She continues to work on the El Camino College Staff and Student Diversity Advisory Committee, the Calendar Committee, and the College Technology Committee.

Solomita is a human resources consultant with more than 30 years experience in the field. In addition to her positions at El Camino and Santa Monica colleges, she also worked in human resources at the Los Angeles Air Force Base, Space Division.

She has a degree in psychology from UCLA and a law degree from the University of West Los Angeles School of Law. Solomita is also active in her community, serving the City of Torrance as a civil service commissioner and a community planning forum facilitator, in addition to being a reading volunteer at area elementary schools.

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