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El Camino College Welcomes New Vice President

The El Camino College Board of Trustees recently named Jo Ann Higdon the new vice president, student and community advancement.

Higdon is a former assistant superintendent and vice president of business services for Cerritos College. Previous administrative experience also includes nearly 15 years at College of the Desert, where she served as vice president, chief business officer and controller.

“We welcome Ms. Higdon to this important position,” said El Camino College President Thomas M. Fallo. “We look forward to benefiting from her extensive experience in the business and facilities areas of community college administration during this period of campus construction and upgrades at El Camino College.”

Higdon also worked as the controller of a legal firm, and was a department manager at the St. Louis University Medical School. She has extensive experience in negotiations, construction, and property management – including planning, financing, and fund-raising.

With a commitment to community service, Higdon is a mentor and is involved in many fund-raising projects for nonprofit groups including elementary, middle and high schools.

Higdon has a master’s degree in public administration from California State University, San Bernardino; and a bachelor’s degree in accounting from St. Louis University, where she graduated magna cum laude.