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Palau Community College

MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Weekly Newsletter

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES PRESS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING



Standing l-r: Member Dr. Emais Roberts, Vice Chair Mr. Kione J. Isechal, PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei; Front row: Secretary/Treasurer Ms. Romana Wong, Member Ms. Alvina Timarong, Chairman Rev. Billy G. Kuartei and Student Trustee Mr. Weber T. Santiago

The governing board of Palau Community College, Board of Trustees, held its statutory organizational meeting on January 08 and 10th, 2024. With all members present and voting, the Board unanimously voted the Board officers, committee chairmanship, and representative to the College of Micronesia Board of Regents. Standing Committees: Academic Programs Committee – Chair is Ms. Alvina Timarong, Student Affairs Committee – Chair is Mr. Weber Santiago, Personnel/Finance Committee – Chair is Vice Chairperson Kione J. Isechal, Facilities Committee – Chair- Vice Chairperson Kione J. Isechal. Dr. Emais Roberts, the member of the PCC Board of Trustees, currently chairs the Board of Regents of the College of Micronesia was re-elected to serve another year as PCC representative to the Board of Regents. The Board has set its regular meeting schedule, although it is tentative to accommodate all the members' convenience. Additionally, it will always be put out to the public and announced to everyone. PCC thanks the Board of Trustees for all their help and support and for their continuous assistance in the future.

JAPAN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGENCY (JICA) MEMBERS VISIT PCC



L-r: CRE Vice President Kitalong; Mr. Nobuhide Miyawaki, Mr. Satoshi Sasakura, Mr. Benjamin Martin, Mr. Kenichi Fukushima, PCC President Dr. Tellei; Ms. Olga Singeo, Ms. Haruna Tsuyuguchi, CRE Director Masami

On January 23, 2024, JICA's members visited PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei, Cooperation and Research Extension (CRE) Vice President Chris Kitalong, and CRE's Director Mr. Lyndon Masami. The members who visited are Mr. Nobuhide Miyawaki, Ides Inc.; Mr. Satoshi Sasakura, IDEA Consultants, Inc.; Mr. Benjamin Martin, Xenosys Inc.; Mr. Kenichi Fukushima, Xenosys Inc. President; Ms. Olga Singeo, JICA Palau Office, and Ms. Haruna Tsuyuguchi, JICA Palau Office. This is not the first time they have met, and surely will not be the last, as JICA has always been a big help to PCC and its students. As of now, there is a JICA volunteer that assists CRE in fruit growing and has been with PCC since April of 2022 and will stay until April of this year. His name is Mr. Yoichi Kodama and since he joined, the students and staff along with PCC's farms in Koror and Ngeremlengui's R&D station have seen big improvements. For that PCC thanks JICA and everyone there for all the aid they have provided to the college, staff and students.

Palau Community College is an accessible comprehensive public educational institution helping to meet the technical, academic, cultural, social, and economic needs of students and communities by promoting learning opportunities and developing personal excellence.

EMBASSY OF JAPAN IN THE REPUBLIC OF PALAU'S STAFF VISIT PCC



PCC President Dr. Tellei, Vice President Olegeriil, Dean Reklai, Dean Kual, with Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Japan's Embassy in Palau Ms. Hagiwara Mayu

On January 24, 2024, PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei along with Vice President Jay Olegeriil, Dean of Students Mrs. Hilda Reklai and Dean of Continuing Education (CE) Pastor Hedrick Kual had the opportunity to meet with Embassy of Japan in the Republic of Palau's Chargé d'affaires Ms. Hagiwara Mayu. The meeting was to discuss creating a noontime seminar for the Japan Embassy's staff to visit PCC students to present valuable opportunities for students. The Embassy of Japan in the Republic of Palau has been helping PCC and its students for a very long time. There are various programs that students are eligible for in Japan. Other than scholarships offered by the Embassy to study in Japan, there is also a program for PCC students called APIC. APIC is the Association for Promotion of International Cooperation and this is where students go to Japan to learn for a duration of time to enhance their educational and professional knowledge. Additionally, there is also JENESYS program, which is the Japan East Asia Network of Exchange for Students and Youths, and has the same goal as APIC. Recently, three students got accepted to the JENESYS program and they are Mr. Alonzo Sumor, Ms. Shamira Cruz and Ms. Jenny Rose Skebong. Two of them have returned and one is still in Japan. PCC thanks the Japan Embassy for all they do to support the students of PCC and the people of Palau.



The construction on the new BAS building is doing very well as they are soon to begin the foundation!

PACMED PROGRAM DIRECTOR VISITS PCC



L-r: CE Dean Hedrick Kual, Dr. Deborah Zuercher, PCC President Dr. Tellei and UBMS Director Tchuzie Tadao

On January 23, 2024, Dr. Deborah Zuercher, Professor and Director of Pacific Masters in Education (PACMED) at University of Manoa, College of Education, met with PCC President Dr. Tellei and updated the ongoing PACMED Cohort Program and students' progress. PACMED Cohort Program is a 2 year program designed for Pacific Island educators of all age students up through undergraduate level. It focuses on the education in science, technology, engineering, arts, mathematics (STEAM) subjects. The program helps participants understand how to develop a place-based curriculum that is appropriate for local based educational learning. There are currently 15 students in the program and are expected to complete by Spring of 2025.

KOREAN STUDENTS TOUR PCC



PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei met briefly with students from Chungbuk Provincial University who came to Palau to visit and are hosted by Ministry of Education (MOE). After he welcomed them, PCC's ASPCC had the opportunity to give them a tour around the campus. Thank you for visiting!

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

Mon to Thu	7:30AM - 7:00 PM
Friday	7:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Sat	9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sun. & National
Holidays CLOSED

For more information, call:
488-3540.

AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS: MEN'S HEALTH MAGAZINE



The magazine provides men the tools they need to make their lives better through in-depth, service-minded journalism. From deeply reported features to daily coverage of trends in the worlds of health and wellness, our experienced staff covers fitness, nutrition, style, grooming, technology & gear, entertainment and more.

Academic Calendar

February 12 (M)

Non-Instructional Day-No Classes

News/Stories Wanted

Mesekeu's News welcomes stories/articles/announcements from students, faculty, and staff. Submission deadline is Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in hard and/or electronic copies to hherman@palau.edu.

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome.

Please call 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251 or 252) for more information.

Semester Meeting *with*
PCC President, Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

Time: 12:00 noon
Place: PCC Assembly Hall

Group 1: January 30, 2024 (Tuesday)
Students with last names from letters: **A – G**

Group 2: January 31, 2024 (Wednesday)
Students with last names from letters: **H – O**

Group 3: February 1, 2024 (Thursday)
Students with last names from letters: **P – Z**

PCC President, Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

SPRING 2024
INTRAMURAL VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

STUDENTS & STAFF

REGISTRATION
FEB.13 -17, 2024

GAMES START ON FEB. 19, 2024

TECHNICAL MEETING ON
FEB. 17, 2024 @ 6 P.M.
DORM OFFICE

FOR MORE INFORMATION
CONTACT JACK/RECREATION
778-5628 / 488-1053

PALAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRESENTS

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email addresses for students

Did you know?

With a palau.edu email address, you will have access to many free or significantly discounted software packages and online services including Amazon Prime, Microsoft Office 365 Education, Adobe Creative Cloud which includes Adobe Photoshop, Spotify, Norton anti-virus, Autodesk which includes AutoCAD, and Apple Music. You will also have access to discounted equipment and products from Apple, Dell, Samsung, Best Buy and many others.

To activate your palau.edu email address:

1. Open a web browser (Chrome, Internet, Safari, Firefox, etc.) and navigate to the site mail.palau.edu or [gmail.com](mailto:mail.palau.edu).
2. Once the page loads, enter your username and password. Your username is your first name plus your last name (all lowercase and no spaces). Your password is your PCC student ID number. If your ID number contains 7 or less numbers, add 0s at the end so that you have at least 8 numbers.

For assistance, stop by the PCC Online Lab or Computer Services Office.

CALVO'S SELECT CARE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUM RATES

Monthly Rate (Single)	Class Type (Single)	Percentage Split	12 Months	Bi-Weekly 24 PP
\$125.00	Employer (60%)	\$75.00	\$900.00	\$37.50
	Employee (40%)	\$50.00	\$600.00	\$25.00
Monthly Rate (Couple)	Class Type (Couple)	Percentage Split	12 Months	Bi-Weekly
\$250.00	Employer (60%)	\$150.00	\$1,800.00	\$75.00
	Employee (40%)	\$100.00	\$1,200.00	\$50.00
Monthly Rate (Family)	Class Type (Family)	Percentage Split	12 Months	Bi-Weekly
\$400.00	Employer (60%)	\$240.00	\$2,880.00	\$120.00
	Employee (40%)	\$160.00	\$1,920.00	\$80.00

Enrollment for PCC staff is still open until February 8. Stop by Human Resource to enroll or add/delete dependents.

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Instructor, Construction Technology
Academic Affairs Division
salary range: \$16,010 - 28,280 per annum
- (2) Instructor, Small Engine & Outboard Marine Tech.
Academic Affairs Division
salary range: \$12,653.00 - 22,349 per annum
- (3) Extension Agent (EFNEP Program)
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension)
salary range: \$11,010 - \$19,552 per annum
- (4) Instructor Assistant - General Mechanics
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges: \$12,653 - \$22,349 per annum
- (5) English Instructor
Academic Affairs Division
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (6) Math Instructor
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (7) Instructor, Community & Public Health
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges: \$16,010 to \$28,280.00 per annum

For application forms and information, contact Harline Haruo at the PCC Human Resources Office at 488-2470/2471 extension 227, or e-mail: hr@palau.edu, or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>.

ALUMNI NOTES

MAURA NGIRMECHAET CRIMINAL JUSTICE



Ms. Maura Ngirmechaet graduated with an AS in Criminal Justice. She is currently working under MOJ as a Police Officer. Congratulations on all your achievements since graduating!



Mesekii's News
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ALUMNI showcases MOC & PCC alumni who are positive role models and contribute to the quality of life in their local communities.

If you are that Alumna/Alumnus or know someone who is, please contact the PCC Development Office at telephone numbers 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251 or 252).

We would like to feature you in future *Mesekii's News* issues.

Celebrating Birthdays

January 29-February 4, 2024



Nikita Adachi



Elchung Hideos



Rennetta Meyar



Felix Sengebau



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Vernice Yuji

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (8) Instructor, Information Technology Program
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (9) Math Coordinator
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges: \$19,000-\$23,000 per annum

PCC Endowment

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If you want to join the Bi-Weekly Allotment Program, contact us NOW!

Interested in Learning Transferable Media and Marketing skills? Volunteer with the PCC Development Office. Stop by at the Dort building to sign-up.

January is
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BLOOD
DONOR
MONTH**



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