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# Palau Community College



# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEET TO ELECT A NEW CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN



*BOT Chairman Mr. Kione J. Isechal*



*BOT Vice Chairman Dr. Emais Roberts*

The most recent meeting of the PCC Board of Trustees held in the beginning of March was for the sole purpose of electing a new Chairman and Vice Chairman for the PCC Board of Trustees. The reorganization came about as a result of the term of longtime Board member and Chairman Reverend Billy G. Kuardei ended in February 2024. Chairman Kuardei opted not to be considered for an additional term as he wanted to step aside and focus on family and other commitments. The entire membership of the PCC Board of Trustees, along with the President of PCC, faculty, staff and students convey our sincere appreciation and gratitude to Chairman Billy G. Kuardei for his years of dedicated leadership and commitment to supporting our nation's only institution of higher learning, Palau Community College. With that said, the Palau Community College Board of Trustees is pleased to inform everyone that on March 13, 2024, it re-organized and unanimously voted for the following officers: Kione J. Isechal as Chairman, Emais Roberts, MD, as Vice Chairman and Palau Representative to the College of Micronesia Board of Regents, Ms. Romana Wong as Secretary/Treasurer, Ms. Alvina Timarong as a Trustee Member and Weber Santiago as Student Trustee Member. The President of PCC, faculty, staff and students genuinely thank the Board for their never ending support and commitment to the college.

## PCC PRESIDENT ATTENDS KOROR STATE YOUTH FORUM



*Students from PHS, BMS, MHS, and PMA join Maiberel and Koror State Leaders, PCC President Dr. Tellei*



*PCC President Dr. Tellei giving his presentation to the students and guests who attended the forum*

On March 13, 2024, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei had the pleasure of attending the Koror State Youth Forum at Ngetmeduch. He was invited to be a speaker at the forum as he is known to have deep knowledge of Palauan language, culture and traditional way of life. He gave a presentation about the authentic ways of saying specific Palauan terms that have since changed as our nation becomes more modern and developed. In the picture above, he explained how Palauans in the past used to say sizes and along with that, he explained the directions in Palauan language and more. This kind of forum is a great way to celebrate our youth day as the youth need to know our cultures, and PCC hopes to be a part of it in the future.

*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.*

## DR. SUBHASHNI RAJ AND MS. ALEX NARRAJOS VISIT PCC



*L-r: Director Masami, Senior Extension Agent Hideyos, Dr. Subhashni Raj and Ms. Alex Narrajos*

On March 14, 2024, Dr. Subhashni Raj and Ms. Alex Narrajos came to PCC with Cooperation Research Extension (CRE) Director Lyndon Masami and Senior Extension Agent Ms. Elchung Hideyos to visit PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei. Dr. Subhashni Raj is an Assistant Professor on the Department of Urban and Regional Planning at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, while Ms. Alex Narrajos is a Research Assistant/Graduate. Dr. Subhashni Raj and Ms. Alex Narrajos are part of a project led by University of Hawai'i at Mānoa conducting research into the strengths and weaknesses of the aquaculture innovation ecosystem in key sectors in Hawai'i and US Affiliated Pacific Islands. They came to Palau to visit aquaculture sites and discuss the development and potential of improvement in the workforce of aquaculture with President Tellei. This research will inform a broader process that will design an intervention aimed to support the innovation ecosystem in the region. More information on the project can be found here: <https://go.hawaii.edu/hun>. Thank you for your time, and we look forward to seeing you again in the future.

## CTF 75-24.2 7<sup>TH</sup> ESB TAKING OVER



*L-r: Sergeant Edwards, Brodie, Lieutenant McBeth, PCC President Dr. Tellei, Lieutenant Rodriguez*

Lieutenant McBeth will take over as commanding officer for CTF 75-24.2 of 7th Enginner Support Battalion. Lieutenant Rodriguez is the current commanding officer for CTF 75-24.1, with 7th Enginner Support Battalion Command Task Force (CTF). Welcome, Lieutenant McBeth and thank you Lieutenant Rodriguez for you time and support.

## KES GREENHOUSE TURNOVER CEREMONY



*CRE staff along with Koror State Solid Waste Management Office staff and Palau High School Agriculture class turning over the greenhouse to KES 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and their teachers*



*Teacher Valeria Rengulbai with an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student harvesting nappa from the greenhouse*

On March 13, 2024, during Cultural Awareness week (CAW), CRE with partners, Koror State Solid Waste Management Office and Palau High School Agriculture class had a short turnover ceremony for the Koror Elementary School (KES) SersEd Greenhouse project with the KES 8<sup>th</sup> grade teachers, Principal Mayleen Ngiriou, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. This is a project under the Youth and Agriculture Extension program to support youth engagement in agriculture activities and increase food security. Also, during CAW, students were able to harvest 10 pounds of nappa and sell it at their booth. Their sales will be used to buy gardening tools for the greenhouse. The next project is ongoing and supporting Meyuns Elementary School.

## PCC SPRING INTRAMURAL VOLLEYBALL GAME CONCLUDES



*All the participants with Activities Supervisor Mr. Jack Meltel and Dorm Father Mr. Henry Falan*

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# 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: TECHNIQUE



Written for career and technical educators by career and technical educators, *Techniques* addresses the issues our industry cares about most, providing input you can trust when making decisions for your classrooms, programs and school systems.

## Academic Calendar

**March 28-29 (Thu-Fri)**  
Students' Spring Break

**April 2**  
PCC Charter Day

**April 5**  
PCC Charter Day Celebration

## News/Stories Wanted

*Mesekiu'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](mailto:hherman@palau.edu).

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome.

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

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3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Victorious Secret



2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Ace Holes



1<sup>st</sup> Place: Big Mafia Digs

PCC Spring Intramural Volleyball Tournament has concluded with the winners as 1<sup>st</sup>: Big Mafia Digs, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Ace Holes, 3<sup>rd</sup>: Victorious Secret. Activities Supervisor Jack Meltel and dorm father Henry Falan supervised the games. Thank you for promoting exercise and see you all next season.

Palau Community College Presents:

# INTERSESSION KIDS PROGRAM

March 25 to April 5, 2024  
3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade

**\$20 per Course**  
**Limited Scholarship and Sponsorship available**

### Course Offered:

- ☑ Singapore Math : 8:00am - 10:00am
- ☑ English Reading and Writing : 10:00am - 12:00 pm
- ☑ Palauan Orthography : 1:00pm - 3:00pm
- ☑ Marine Science (6th - 8th) : 1:00pm - 3:00pm
- ☑ Basic Arts : 3:00pm - 5:00pm
- NEW!** ☑ Basic Word Processing and Powerpoint (6th - 8th) : 3:00pm - 5:00pm



**Register at CE Office starting on March 06, 2024**

For more information please call 488-2471 ext. 243 or 488-6223

## 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
- (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
- (10) Financial Aid Counselor  
Student Services Division  
salary ranges: \$12,049-\$20,607 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](mailto:hr@palau.edu), or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>.

**"PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer."**

## Celebrating Birthdays March 25- March 31, 2024



**Richie Inosencio**



**Angelio Antonio**



**Ann Lund**



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## PCC Endowment

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Allotment Program, contact us NOW!

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

## ALUMNI NOTES

**EREANG TAKADA  
LIBERAL ARTS**



Ms. Ereang Takada graduated with her AA in Liberal Arts in Spring 2022. She left Palau to a university in Guam to further her education. Congratulations on all your achievements!

**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 *Mesekiu's News* issues.



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