



**Budget Update**

The district has begun the development of the tentative budget. We are tacking two issues pending state allocation - Growth (Statewide 2%; which was \$109.9M in the January proposal) and \$125M for an increase in base funding for increased operating expenses including employee pensions. Increased costs anticipated at this point are related to FTES Growth and Employee Costs such as step/column/longevity increases and retirement (STRS/PERS) rate increases. The Tentative Budget formula allocation will go to the sites in Mid-May to do their detailed postings. The overall presentation to the Governing Board is scheduled for June 9<sup>th</sup>.



**Purchasing & Contracts Meet & Greet**

The District Purchasing & Contracts Office held a *Meet & Greet* event on March 19 at the Cuyamaca College Student Center to inform staff about Purchasing & Contracts functions and processes. A [PowerPoint presentation](#) was included, and staff were invited to ask questions. The event was well received with 21 staff members attending. Another *Meet & Greet* event is planned for Fall at Grossmont College.



**District Services STAR Award**

The District Services **STAR** Award is a quarterly award that recognizes, affirms and supports examples of outstanding teamwork and dedication by any employee within District Services. For the March quarter, there were 5 Star Award recipients.



*Natalie Yturalde* pictured with  
*Jennine Boschock, DS Classified Senate Senator*



*Nicole Conklin*



*Ron Adams, Kyle Smith & Andy Chavez*



## **ATM Machine Installed**

As part of the District's license agreement with Grossmont Schools Federal Credit Union, a new Automated Teller Machine (ATM) was recently installed in the District Office South.



## ***Improving Parking Appearance & Function at both sites:***

Restriped/repainted over 750 parking spaces  
Repainted over 2,000 linear feet of red curbing and fire lanes

## **Welcome to District Services**

District Services welcomes  
Mr. Steve Abat  
as the Director of Technical Services,  
District Information Systems.  
Steve joined our District on March 23.  
His office is located in the  
District Office North, building 86, room 805.

Please stop by to welcome Steve!



**Sue Rearic**  
*Vice Chancellor-Business Services*