From the Dean
Ricardo Jacquez

Ricardo Jacquez, Ding Cheng, and Steffen Mehl met with state senator Jim Nielsen regarding support for the California Pavement Preservation Center (CP2C) through SB1, Transportation Funding. SB1 will allocate $2 million per year to the CSU system for support of highway research and training. Senator Nielsen pledged his support to promote CP2C as an excellent partner and collaborator for this state appropriation. The expertise and experience developed by CP2C over the past 11 years will serve as a great resource that will contribute to the success of this state funded initiative.

From the Associate Dean
Melody Stapleton

- All 13 IRA proposals have been reviewed and the funding allocations will be determined early in the week of Oct. 16-20
- The Student Learning Fee Committee for the College of ECC has been formed with a representative from each Program and Department. An organizational meeting will be called in early November with Proposals due by 5 pm December 6. Submit online: http://www.csuchico.edu/slf/timeline/current-year.shtml
DEVELOPMENT
Chico State is participating in Giving Day on November 28. We participated in a workshop to plan our campaign supporting ECC’s featured fund, the Engineering Student Success Center. An anonymous donor has pledged to match funds raised during the campaign up to $10,000.

EXTERNAL RELATIONS
Rachel presented to the Chico State Communicators Group on recent College of ECC initiatives including:
- The ECC Insider as a new tool for internal communication
- Recent news stories from Caper Acres as a how-to for working with public affairs, external partners, and local media to secure coverage
- Our Marketing Toolkit used to evaluate opportunities, guide marketing and communications efforts, and evaluate success

STEM Connections Engineering MESA/MEP
The Engineering Student Success Center has partnered with Art Cox, a Chico State Career Center Advisor to host an interview workshop specifically tailored to College of ECC students at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 in SSC 270.

DEPARTMENT FEATURE: CONCRETE INDUSTRY MANAGEMENT
CIM’s American Concrete Institute (ACI) student chapter attended the organization’s annual conference and competed in a competition last weekend in Anaheim. The Chico CIM Patrons will meet October 18-19 on campus. Patrons receive a program update, hear student internship presentations, and details on the Patron’s strategy and progress to date. The program also received a couple notable recognition's this fall. Click the links below to read more:

- Student Jordan Nuque honored by American Society of Concrete Contractors (link: http://www.csuchico.edu/ecc/stories/cim-jordan-nuque.shtml)
- Feraidon Ataie named ASTM International Faculty Member of the Year (Link: http://www.csuchico.edu/ecc/stories/feraidon-astm.shtml)

CONGRATS

Does your department have news to share?
Let us know! Send your updates to Rachel Simmons, rcsimmons@csuchico.edu

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
- Oct. 21- Chico State Preview Day
- Oct. 26- O’Connell Endowed Chair Reception