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\*ASK CHARTER PRESI-DENTS ABOUT BEING AN ACSA REPRESENTA-TIVE ON A STATE COUNCIL OR COMMIT-TEE

\*RETIRED ACSA MEM-BER AND WANT TO RE-MAIN CONNECTED TO COLLEAGUES AND PUB-LIC EDUCATION AC-TIVITIES? CONTACT REGION 10 BOARD MEMBERS.

\*NOT RECEIVING ACSA REGION/CHARTER UP-DATES? UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFOR-MATION WITH STATE ACSA OFFICE.

\*KNOW WHO YOUR CHARTER BOARD OF-FICERS ARE? GET IN TOUCH-GET ACSA APP

\*CONSIDERING MAKING A CAREER MOVE? TALK TO AN ACSA REPRE-SENTATIVE/MENTOR

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# Association of California School Administrators **REGION 10 NEWSLETTER**

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## **Region Members Honored at Annual Awards Dinner**



Ann Kilty presents *Partners in Educational Excellence Award* to Panetta Institute for Public Policy (above) Buck Roggeman , Principal at Pacific Grove Middle School, presents keynote address at Spring Fling (right)



Region 10 held its annual "Spring Fling" Awards and Recognition Dinner May 1st, 2015 at the beautiful San Juan Oaks Golf Club in Hollister. Attendees were greeted by the festive sounds of the talented student mariachi band and had the opportunity, thanks to Life Touch pictures, to memorialize the evening by having their pictures taken with friends and colleagues. Region 10 President Dr. Dennis Kurtz welcomed guests and, after dinner, commenced the evening's program by recognizing members who have announced their forthcoming retirement. ACSA members recognized for their years of service to public education were: Michael Jones, Santa Cruz City Schools. From Pajaro Valley Unified School District: Sylvia Mendez, Murry Schekman, Olga de Santa Anna, Sue Forson, and Lynn Olson. Ellen Brusa, Soledad Unified School District, Craig Beller, Pacific Grove Unified School District, Richard Diaz, North Monterey County Unified School District, Joan Nugent, Monterey Peninsula Unified School District, Dr. Laurie Bloom-Sweeney, Monterey Peninsula Unified School District, Dr. Juvenal Luza-Zamora, Salinas City Elementary School District, Dee Baker, Washington Union School District, and Marvin Biasotti, Carmel Unified School District. Dennis Kurtz invited all retirees in attendance to stand and be recognized with those being honored at the dinner. The Region is proud to honor these outstanding educator leaders who have made a significant difference to our students, our staffs and to our communities.



Olga de Santa Anna is recognized as the 2015 Blanche Montague Award Recipient



Superintendent Kari Yeater of North Monterey County Unified School District receives the *Dr. William D.* Barr Award for Excellence *in Educational Leadership and Administration* from Dr. William Barr and Region 10 President Dr. Dennis Kurtz

\*Let ACSA know if you have changed jobs, moved or have a new email address. Stay connected with your ACSA colleagues.

### ADMINISTRATORS OF THE YEAR ANNOUNCED AT SPRING FLING

ACSA Region 10 presented its 2015 Administrator of the Year awards at the annual Spring

Fling Awards Dinner at San Juan Oaks Golf Club in Hollister. The Region is proud to honor its members for their dedication to their schools, districts and communities. *Superintendent of the Year*—**Kari Yeater**, Superintendent North Monterey County USD *Superintendent/Principal of the Year*—**Diane Morgenstern**, Mountain Elementary SD *Elementary Principal of the Year*—**Jay Marden**, Carmel Unified School District *Middle Grades Principal of the Year*—**Jeff Calden**, San Lorenzo Valley Unified SD *Secondary Principal of the Year*—**Dick Davis**—Santa Cruz City Schools *Secondary Co-Administrator of the Year*—**Tracey Runeare**, Santa Cruz City Schools *Elementary Co-Administrator of the Year*—**Lorene Kiser**, North Monterey County USD *Confidential Employee of the Year*—**Jan Lippert**, Pacific Grove Unified School District *Central Office Administrator of the Year*—**Emily Tsai**, North Monterey County USD *Classified Leader of the Year*—**Judy Durand**, Monterey Peninsula Unified School District *Special Education Administrator of the Year*—**Stacy O'Farrell**, Santa Cruz City Schools *Curriculum & Instruction Administrator of the Year*—**Stacy O'Farrell**, Santa Cruz City Schools

*Personnel/Human Resources Administrator of the Year*—**Craig Chavez**, North Monterey Unified School District

*Continuation/Educational Options Administrator of the Year*—**Artemisa Cortez**, Pajaro Valley Unified School District

Technology Administrator of the Year—Frances Basich-Whitney, Pajaro Valley Unified SD Adult Education Administrator of the Year—Nancy Bilicich, Pajaro Valley Unified SD Career Technical Education Administrator of the Year—Melissa Casillas, Salinas Union High School District

*County Office of Education Service Recognition Award*—**Cathy Cranson**, North Monterey County USD

Partners in Educational Excellence Award—**The Panetta Institute for Public Policy** William D. Barr Award for Excellence in Educational Leadership and Administration— **Kari Yeater**, North Monterey County Unified School District

#### **Region Awards Continued**

Leadership Matters Award-Barbara Martinez, Pacific Grove Unified School District

Blanche Montague Award-Olga de Santa Anna, Pajaro Valley Unified School District

\*Keith Parkhurst Award—Richard Diaz, North Monterey County Unified School District

\*Inaugural award presented by Mrs. Claire Parkhurst and region officers in honor of long-time Region 10 member and ACSA advocate Keith Parkhurst

### 2015-2016 Region Board Members Sworn In at Awards Dinner

ACSA members were sworn in by State ACSA Board Vice President Dr. Ralph Porras to serve on the 2015-16 ACSA Region 10 Board. Representing ACSA members throughout Region 10, the new board members are:

Region President—Emily Tsai, Salinas Valley Charter

Region President-Elect—Barbara Martinez, Monterey Charter

Region Board Treasurer—Matt Bell, Monterey Charter

Region Past President—Dennis Kurtz, San Benito Educational Leaders Charter

Region Membership Coordinator—Joe Sampson, Monterey Charter

Region Vice President for Legislative Action-Manual Nunez, Monterey Charter

State Board of Directors—Randy Bangs, Salinas Valley Charter

Region Board Secretary—TBD



2015-16 Region 10 Board Members are sworn in by Dr. Ralph Porras (Left to right): Randy Bangs (State Board Director), Manuel Nunez (VP For Legislative Action), Matt Bell (Treasurer), Dennis Kurtz (Past President), Barbara Martinez (President-Elect) and Emily Tsai (Board President)

### MID-STATE CONFERENCE FOR ADMINISTRATORS IN THE PLANNING

Region 10 leaders, along with Region 10 State Board Director, Randy Bangs, are collaborating with members from regions 9, 11 and 13 to plan a mid-state conference that is timely and easily accessible. Conference planners are selecting a location that is within two hours or so of drive time and selecting a venue that is family friendly. The planning group has already developed a list of potential presenters and motivational speakers who will provide high interest and meet the needs of administrators in the field. Planners are expecting high conference registration, because of the conference content offerings, short drive time and because families will be encouraged to attend. Be certain to keep updated on this event as registration will be limited. Upcoming information on this multi-region event will be made available through charter presidents and on the ACSA mobile app when available.