



**Western Association of Educational Opportunity Personnel  
Past President Report  
2020 – 2021  
(Friday, October 18, 2020)  
Via Zoom**

<b>Name:</b>	Dalia Hernandez
<b>Position:</b>	Past President
<b>Committees to Oversee:</b>	Professional Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professional Development Seminar (PDS)</li> <li>• Professional Development Scholarships (Graduate and Conference)</li> <li>• Professional Development Academy Spring 2022</li> </ul>
<b>Committee Co-Chairs:</b>	PDS: Eddie Paje, SSS, UCSD and Elizabeth Duarte, UB, VVC
<b>Position Description:</b> Work closely with the President and Vice President to provide support and knowledge related to Chapter objectives, activities, procedures and services. Ensure that chapter is providing adequate professional development opportunities to the membership.	

<b>Goals &amp; Priorities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plan, coordinate and execute a successful annual Professional Development Seminar (PDS) that generates revenue for the chapter</li> <li>• Plan, coordinate and execute the chapter’s graduate and conference scholarships.</li> <li>• Circulate opportunities for professional development through the chapter’s communication platforms.</li> <li>• Collaborate with the WESTOP Professional Development Chair to ensure that opportunities for professional development available through the association and its network are shared with the members.</li> <li>• Submit the Spraggins Grant proposal to COE.</li> <li>• Serve as resource to members to support in their knowledge of TRIO and Educational Equity programming and implementation.</li> <li>• Support the president in ensuring the fiscal health of the chapter, including but not limited to, ensuring compliance with FAP Manual and adhering to best practices.</li> <li>• Served on WESTOP’s By Laws Committee and other committees appointed by the chapter president.</li> <li>• Support the WESTOP 2021 Annual Conference Committee</li> </ul>



## Updates

**WESTOP Updates:** The WESTOP Round Tables took place the week of December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 . Additional opportunities are being planned for 2021 and will be shared as information/details become available.

**Annual Conference:** The WESTOP annual conference is scheduled for March 8-10 2021. The conference will be held virtually through the *Socio platform*. The call for workshop proposals has been released and the deadline has been extended to January 21, 2021. Strongly encourage members to consider submitting a workshop proposal. To submit a proposal, please use the link below.

WESTOP Conference Call for Proposals Link: <https://bit.ly/36ESZ18>

**US. Department of Education Update:** The department shared Dr. Chris McCaghren, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Higher Education Programs letter regarding the COVID- 19 CARES flexibilities. For your reference, the letter is attached. The due dates for the remaining APRs are listed below.

- The Annual Performance Report open and due dates are below.
  - ✓ UB: 12/18/20
  - ✓ UBMS: 12/18/20
  - ✓ McNair: 2/26/21
  - ✓ VUB: 3/5/21

**WESTOP SoCal PDS 2020:** Our first-ever virtual PDS was a success. A HUGE THANK YOU to the Co-Chairs Eddie and Liz, the PDS Planning Committee, presenters, volunteers and all of our attendees! For highlights and detailed report, I will defer to our PDS Co-Chairs.

**SoCal Professional Development Scholarships - Graduate and Conference Scholarships:** Given that we will continue in a virtual format for Spring 2021 and possibly summer 2021, we will be launching the call for Graduate and Conference Scholarships on December 21, 2020. A total of two Conference and two Graduate scholarships will be available at \$500 each for a total budget allocation of \$2,000. Below is a brief summary of the process and timeline for the Professional Development Scholarship Awards,

- Award two graduate and two conference scholarships at \$500 each for a total of \$2,000
- Call for scholarship applications will go out on Monday, December 21st, 2020 and will close Friday, January 22, 2021
- Scholarship Applications Committee will review applications the week of January 25-29,2021
- Scholarship Application Committee will make applicant recommendations by Monday, February 1, 2021
- Selected applicants will be notified by Friday, February 5, 2021
- Selected applicants will submit required paperwork to claim award by Monday, February 15, 2021
- All awards must be disbursed and used by June 30, 2021

If interested in being involved in the Scholarship Application Review Committee, please contact Dalia Hernandez at [dalia.hernandez@csusb.edu](mailto:dalia.hernandez@csusb.edu) or 626-230-0044.

**Professional Development Academy:** The academy will resume in the Spring of 2022. Currently exploring possible formats and in-person venues in the Greater LA and San Diego areas. If interested in joining the planning efforts, please contact Dalia Hernandez at [dalia.hernandez@csusb.edu](mailto:dalia.hernandez@csusb.edu) or 626-230-0044. Planning meetings will begin in mid-spring 2021.

**Other Resources:** Please visit the links below for additional professional development resources.

CSU Counselor Resources: <https://www2.calstate.edu/attend/counselor-resources/counselor-conferences>

UC Counselors Conference: <https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/news-events/conferences/>



College Board SAT Test Centers Closing: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/test-center-closings>

NASPA Conference: <https://www.naspa.org/events/naspa-western-regional-conference2>

Campaign for College Opportunity: <https://collegecampaign.org/our-publications/>

SoCal College Access Network: <http://socalcollegeaccess.org/newsreports/>

**Virtual Programming Resources:**

<https://gather.town/> Video-calling space for multiple people

<https://www.conexed.com/> ConexED/Cranium Café Virtual Classroom and Remote Student Advising Platform

AmongUs Game App – Interactive and fun way to engage students

<https://sites.google.com/> Google Suite/Google Site

[www.canva.com](http://www.canva.com) content creation site

<https://brilliant.org/> Hands-on interactive lessons

**Recommendations**

➤ None at this time.

**Action Items**

✓ None at this time.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Dalia Hernandez*

Past President