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## OCCA announces 2022-23 Executive Committee

SALEM, Ore. – Columbia Gorge Community College Board of Education member Kim Morgan is now the President of the Oregon Community College Association (OCCA) Board of Directors for 2022-23. She was elected by her fellow OCCA Board of Directors members to serve in the role after serving as Vice President of the Board for the past two years.

The OCCA Board is comprised of the presidents of each of the 17 Oregon community colleges, as well as a Board of Education member from each. Morgan has served on the Columbia Gorge Community College board since 2017, as well as has been CGCC's representative on the OCCA Board. She is a Senior Project Coordinator for TGE, LLC, in The Dalles, and is also a freelance photographer.

"I'm honored to step into this role, and hope to do so with the same dedication as the leaders who have come before me," Morgan said. "Oregon's community colleges are more important than ever to the state's economy and workforce, so I'm excited to be a part of the effort as President of the OCCA."

The 2022-23 OCCA Vice President is Jane Reid from the Clackamas Community College Board of Directors. Chemeketa Community College President Jessica Howard will serve as secretary, while Tillamook Bay Community College President Ross Tomlin will serve as treasurer. Stephen Crow, a board member from Treasure Valley Community College who was OCCA President in 2020-22, will now serve as Past President for 2022-23. In addition, At-Large Executive Committee members include Pat Fahey from the Rogue Community College Board of Directors and Alan Unger, a board member for Central Oregon Community College. Clackamas Community College President Tim Cook will serve as an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee as Chair of the Oregon Presidents Council, as will Donna Lewelling, Executive Director of the Higher Education Coordinating Commission's (HECC's) Office of Community College & Workforce Development (CCWD).

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