

Luna to host forums for five presidential finalists

First forum is on Thursday, Sept. 20

Members of the community are invited to meet with Luna Community College's five presidential finalists at a series of public forums beginning Thursday, Sept. 20, at the Luna Media Arts Auditorium. The names of the finalists were disclosed at a Luna Board of Trustees special meeting on Tuesday evening.

The five finalists are Dr. Jeremy Moreland, Dr. LeRodrick Terry, Dr. Bruce Moses, Dr. Diana Pino and Dr. Anthony Hancock.

Forums, open to the community at large, will take place from 1 to 2 p.m. on the following dates:

- Dr. Jeremy Moreland, Thursday, Sept. 20
- Dr. LeRodrick Terry, Tuesday, Sept. 25
- Dr. Bruce Moses, Thursday, Sept. 27
- Dr. Diana Pino, Tuesday, Oct. 2
- Dr. Anthony Hancock, Thursday, Oct. 4.

The community forums will be held in addition to forums specifically for Luna students and employees scheduled earlier on each of those days.

Dr. Moreland is currently the provost and chief academic officer at the University of the Rockies in Denver. He has held this position since June 2016. Dr. Moreland earned a doctorate in philosophy from Texas Christian University in 1998. Dr. Moreland earned his master's degree in general experimental psychology from Texas Christian University in December 1996. He also earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Stephen F. Austin State University (Texas) in 1993.

Dr. Terry is currently the vice president of student affairs in Rio Salado College in Tempe, Ariz. He has held this position since 2015. Dr. Terry earned a doctorate in education administration from Auburn University (Ala.) in 2010. He also earned a master's degree in leadership from Shorter University in Rome, Ga. in 2011. Dr. Terry earned his master's degree in higher education from Auburn University in 2007. He also earned a bachelor's degree in history from Kent State University (Ohio) in 1998.

Dr. Moses is currently the assistant vice chancellor for accreditation and academic quality improvement and the acting assistant vice chancellor of enrollment management and student affairs at Pima County Community College District in Tucson. He has worked for Pima Community College since 2015. Dr. Moses earned a

doctorate in community college leadership from Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Mich. He also earned a master's degree in educational leadership in higher education from Eastern Michigan University. He also earned a bachelor's degree in administrative management and business administration from Eastern Michigan University.

Dr. Pino is currently the president and CEO of Capstone HigherEd Services in Houston. She has held this position since May 2015. She is also an adjunct faculty member in Mexican American Studies at the University of Houston, a position she began in 2018. Dr. Pino earned a doctorate in philosophy from the University of Texas at Austin in May 2005. She also earned a master's in psychology from Our Lady of the Lake University in San Antonio in August 1999. Dr. Pino also earned a bachelor's in psychology with a minor in social work from the University of Texas at Austin in May 1994.

Dr. Hancock is currently the dean at the Center of Excellence at Houston Community College. He has held this position since June 2015. He earned his doctorate in education administration from the University of Texas at Austin in 2011. He also earned his master's degree in public administration and computer resource and informational management from Webster University in St. Louis in 2004. He earned his bachelor's degree in public administration from Our Lady of the Lake University in San Antonio in 1997 and his associate of applied science from San Antonio College in 1996.

For more information on the forums, please call Presidential Search and Screen Committee Chairwoman Henrietta Maestas at 454-2596.

Ricky Serna has been serving as interim president for the college since July 2017. Under his direction, Luna has upgraded its accreditation status to probation from a show-cause order handed down by the Higher Learning Commission in November 2017. While Luna is on probation, it has opportunity to remedy the issues that led to the show-cause order. The college is required to provide evidence it has satisfactorily addressed those issues by March 1, 2019, in preparation for an on-site visit to take place no later than May. The HLC is due to make a decision on Luna's accreditation status in November 2019.