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Dean Elizabeth Tanner promoted to Vice President of Academic Success

Elizabeth Anne Tanner, currently Dean of Arts & Sciences, has been named Vice President of Academic Success at Palo Alto College, effective Dec. 19.

Tanner was selected from among 46 applicants in a nationwide search. Her selection was approved by the Alamo Colleges Board of Trustees on Dec. 18. She will oversee all academic departments at PAC, including 100 full-time faculty in the arts, sciences and career technical education fields, the Library, and the Corporate & Community Education Department.

“Beth Tanner is an innovative academic leader who is committed to student access, success and completion. We look forward to the energy her appointment will generate in academic innovation in moving Palo Alto College forward,” said Dr. Mike Flores, President of Palo Alto College. “I wish to thank Search Committee Co-Chairs Javier Aguirre and Gary Shelman, committee members, and the college community for their participation in the search process.”

Tanner is replacing Dr. Stacey Johnson, who accepted the position of Campus President of East & Winter Park Campuses of Valencia College in Orlando, Fla.

“Working with the creative and dedicated staff, faculty, and student body at Palo Alto has immeasurably enriched my life,” Tanner said when accepting the position. “I very much look forward to working with my colleagues in this new capacity, and thank the search committee and the Palo Alto community for this opportunity.”

Tanner holds a B.S. and M.S. in Mathematics from the University of Texas at San Antonio.

She began at PAC in 2000 as a Math Instructor and progressed to Math Department Chair in 2004. In 2007, she became Interim Dean of Fine Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences before the position transitioned to Dean of Arts & Sciences in 2009.

She received three Excellence Awards from the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development at UT-Austin, and was nominated for the President’s Distinguished Achievement Award for Core Curriculum Teaching at UTSA.

Palo Alto College, one of the Alamo Colleges, is a fully accredited community college located on the Southside of San Antonio with nearly 9,000 students. It awards associate degrees and short-term certificates and offers non-credit continuing education classes. The campus is located at 1400 W. Villaret Blvd. at I-410 South and Texas Hwy. 16 or online at alamo.edu/pac.

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