

I do want to hear from you, but not what the scam email says.

Greetings Foothill,

So sorry to the folks who are getting that scam, phishing email purporting to be me from a ".com" address yesterday. Please do not purchase any electronic gift cards. Check the email address, and when in doubt, email me and Executive Assistant **Veronica Casas** — as some of you did. A similar phishing email occurred at De Anza College last month also. I'm afraid this will not be the last incident.

It is uncanny how real the email looks. Some people are getting scam emails that ask them to come meet me. One scam email asked a faculty who was scheduled to meet with me to meet with me earlier.

The sophistication of these emails reminds me that our world is changing. It also reminds me that as educators, we need to be ready for that changing world. And yes, it did occur to me whether we need to increase funding for our college's cybersecurity program! Want to seize this opportunity to give a special shoutout to **Sharon Luciw** and our ETS colleagues for keeping us cybersafe.

One thing that was scary about the scam email was how it felt as though it was reading my mind. I really do want to hear from you. These times of enrollment pressures and budget reductions are causing real stress on all of us. I want to hear your worries. I want to hear your ideas. I want to hear from you. Please come visit me or email. I also look forward to seeing many of you at the budget forum today. The team will try to be informative and thorough, yet brief as possible so there could be ample of opportunity to discuss. We also scheduled another forum on another day, at another time to ensure (as best as we could) an opportunity for as many people to attend as possible. I also look forward to attending the various divisions meetings in the next two weeks. Here is a link to the presentation material provided to the governance Advisory Council last week: https://foothill.edu/president/updates.html

Be safe. Be well.

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