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PBCC Names New Provost for Glades

(Belle Glade, FL, Sept. 23, 2005) -- Oct. 10 is the planned starting date for Dr. Beverly J. Robinson, who has been selected as the new provost for Palm Beach Community College's Belle Glade location.

Dr. Robinson comes to PBCC from Central Florida Community College, where she has been associate vice president of community development and director of the Hampton Community Outreach and Preventive Health Center since 2000. She joined CFCC in 1998 as assistant to the president for government relations and was named associate vice president for planning and college effectiveness in 1999.

PBCC President Dennis P. Gallon cited Dr. Robinson's record of accomplishments in working to forge education and community partnerships in the state. "Dr. Robinson has extensive experience in the Florida Community College System and community leadership experience in areas very similar to the South Bay, Belle Glade and Pahokee communities," Dr. Gallon observed. "These two qualities will serve her well as she assumes this leading role at the College."

Dr. Robinson has presented at local, state and national workshops and conferences on topics related to minority student success, strategic planning, community development and multicultural and postsecondary education issues. She also is a certified trainer of trainers in diversity and racial prejudices.

In her 24-year academic career, she has been director of the Learning Center and equity and retention coordinator at Lake-Sumter Community College and an admissions officer and minority recruitment coordinator for Florida Community College at Jacksonville. She has served as a school/community outreach coordinator for the Florida Department of Education Prevention Center, administrative support manager for the Association for Retarded Citizens/Duval in Jacksonville and instructor for educable mentally challenged children in Fitzgerald, Ga.

She holds a Ph.D. degree in education administration from Columbus University in New Orleans, an M.Ed. degree in employee counseling from the University of North Florida and a B.A. degree in speech from Albany State University in Georgia.

PBCC at Belle Glade has served the western communities of Palm Beach County since 1972. Currently, more than 3,200 students annually enroll in PBCC classes at the Belle Glade center and its satellite classes taught at West Tech, Royal Palm and Wellington high schools.

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