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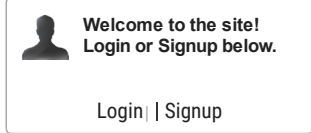
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By Shelley Ridenour, Tribune Staff Writer

Mesa City Councilman David Luna has been appointed chairman of the re-established community advisory committee at Mesa Community College at Red Mountain.

Luna said he's pleased to be part of the group addressing important issues connected to boosting local businesses. The committee will evaluate three main things, Luna said. One is how can the college better fit the business community. Another question is how can the college attract more students. Luna also said he wants to determine if there are classes the college should offer that could help local businesses.

"It's important to align business and industry with what the college is teaching," he said.

Luna considers the Red Mountain campus "a hidden gem" in Mesa and the local higher education system. There's room for several thousand more students on the campus, he said, and he wants to funnel students there.

Luna invites people to weigh in on the committee's work. The committee will meet quarterly. The first meeting is scheduled from 7:30 to 9 a.m. Wednesday in the community room M200 at the Red Mountain campus, 7100



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