

McDowell Technical Community College President's Council Minutes

The President's Council met on Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at 2:00pm in the boardroom/Dogwood building.

Present: Dr. Gossett, Ryan Garrison, Elmer Macopson, Dick Mauney, Eddie Shuford, Dr. Benton, Kelly Giles, Ladelle Harmon, Dr. Cross, Michael Lavender, Brad Ledbetter, Dr. Watts, Teresa Valentino, Madalyn Gaito

President – Dr. Gossett

- Faculty/Staff Satisfaction Surveys – Distributed the compiled results of the survey. (see attached) Seventy one surveys were completed, out of approximately 120 current employees. The survey will be conducted on an annual basis with the goal being that it be used as a discussion point for improvement. Dr. Gossett emphasized that overall he was very pleased with the results and encouraged the Council to keep the following in mind as they reviewed the results:
 - The written comments were not altered
 - The results are to be used as a spring board for improvement
 - Many areas of concern will be recognizable
 - A written comment reflects the opinion of one individual
 - Areas receiving a 79 or below should receive more focused scrutinyStudents will be surveyed in the spring with efforts being made to include questions similar to those on the Faculty/Staff Survey in order to receive reliable results. It was noted that Distance Education was not included in the survey; it will be added to the next survey.
- Consequences of Hurricane Matthew – The heavy flooding in the eastern part of NC could have budgetary repercussions throughout the state. Nothing has been announced but it is possible faculty will be asked to take on one additional class for the spring semester.
- Bond Money – The Bond money will not be affected by any budget reversions. The Board of Trustees signed needed paperwork to move forward with beginning the process for state approval for renovation of the space in Building 14 (Hemlock) into a Simulation Lab to be shared by Allied Health programs and the EMT/Paramedic offerings. They also signed off on moving forward with a request to construct a new Cosmetology building. At this time we are waiting for approval from the County Manager. It was noted that a goal of renovation and relocation of classes should include moving Developmental classes out of Universal and on to the main campus.
- BOT campus tour – On November 10th board members will be given a campus tour prior to their monthly meeting. The focus will be to review buildings and grounds in preparation for spending repair and renovation bond money. The County Manager and County Commissioners have been invited to join the Board for this tour.

Learning & Student Services – VP Dr. Cross

- Pre-registration begins Monday, November 7.

- An articulation meeting is scheduled for Nov. 8 with representatives from McDowell High.
- The Associate Degree in Engineering is listed in the catalog for the spring semester and the Associate Degree in Emergency Management has been approved as well. Keep in mind that we are always looking for new programs that will benefit MTCC and the community.
- Grant money is now available to hire a part time Health Liaison to work with Telemedicine and Health promotion programs.

Continuing Education – Brad Ledbetter

- Fire School plans are well underway. It was noted that this will be the 40th anniversary of the Fire School.

College and Career Readiness – Teresa Valentino

- Adding career advising and integrated education program wide

External Relations – Michael Lavender

- Printed schedule for the spring semester will be ready by Wednesday, Nov. 2
- Would like for all faculty/staff to have new photos taken, using the backdrop. Please stop by the Print Shop as soon as possible; afternoons are the best time.

Quality Enhancement & Development Studies – Dr. Watts

- Phi Beta Kappa inductions are scheduled for Monday, Nov. 7 at 6pm. One hundred invitations were sent out and twenty-four have been submitted at this time.
- As a result of the positive MTCC participation in the Mountain Glory Festival we have been given the opportunity to take on the responsibility for the children's area, located on the Courthouse Lawn, for the next Festival. Thanks to the great work of over 20 volunteers who helped this year!
- November 17 – Great American Smokeout and the Affordable Care Act healthcare sign up

Universal – Eddie Shuford

- Guidance Counselor Day is scheduled for November 16. MTCC will be providing lunch for the participants.

Faculty Report – Kelly Giles

- Developing Career & College Promise pathways in the Associate in Engineering program.

Announcements

- McDowell United Way contribution information has been placed in campus mailboxes. The goal for MTCC staff/faculty is \$4000 and the student goal is \$300. Contact Sharon Smith at sharons@mcdowelltech.edu for more information. Your contributions are appreciated!
- Don't forget to vote on, or before, November 8.

Meeting adjourned – 3:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

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