

McDowell Technical Community College President's Council Minutes

The President's Council met on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 2:00pm in the boardroom, Dogwood building.

Present: Dr. Benton, Dr. Cline, Dr. Cross, Madalyn Gaito, Ryan Garrison, Dr. Gossett, Bo Harmon, Michael Lavender, Brad Ledbetter, Kelly McFarland, Elmer Macopson, Judy Melton, Julie Padgett, Eddie Shuford, Terry Valentino, Dr. Watts, Joan Weiler

President – Dr. Gossett

- Presented information covered at the Feb. 8 Board of Trustees meeting.
 - 2017 Financial Audit has been finalized; clean report. Many thanks to Ryan and his staff.
 - Trustees voted to accept recommendation from MTCC Foundation to upgrade the “road to nowhere”. This will include removing old, broken sign and base; remove asphalt, plant grass, etc.
 - Faculty/Staff Satisfaction Survey (**see attached**) - Dr. Gossett highlighted the fact that the comparison between 2016 and 2017 shows an increase in the number of faculty/staff members completing the survey in 2017. The results also showed an increase in positive marks in almost every category but we realize we still have work to do. Noted the increased satisfaction with the switchboard and reception services; a huge thanks goes to Lorrie Truett for her good work in this area.
 - Surgical Technology Consortium – After receiving information on the history and current situation involving the consortium between MTCC, Isothermal and Cleveland Community College the board voted to dissolve our college's rights and responsibilities under the consortia agreement for the Surgical Technology program effective the end of the 2017-2018 fiscal year (June 30, 2018).
 - RDS Resolution – During their January board meeting the trustees asked Dr. Gossett to draft a resolution asking the State Board of NC Community Colleges to evaluate the Residency Determination Service (**see attached**). The board passed the resolution and it has been sent to Jennifer Haygood, Acting President.
 - Dr. Gossett gave an overview of the current review and separation of MTCC policies and procedures. The end goal is to separate each policy from its procedures thus ensuring the Board will only have to approve changes in policies. The board will develop an ad hoc committee to meet, read and vote on policies before the policies are brought to the full Board for a vote.

- SACS COC – Our onsite visit is scheduled for fall of 2020. The SACS process is for our betterment. Encouraged everyone to begin identifying ideas for the QEP. Dr. Watts has agreed to continue serving as QEP Director.
- Holiday Leave – Once we receive a decision from the State Board we will follow their directions.

Allied Health – Judy Melton

Received re-approval for Nurse Aide 1 program from DHSR

Developmental Studies & Quality Enhancement – Dr. Watts

- Presented an idea for McDowell Tech Expo: A Day of Exploration (**see attached**). This day is designed to provide adult students (age 18 and up) an opportunity to explore the different programs that McDowell Tech offers through hands-on experiences. The hope is that this will increase the interest and awareness of the different programs MTCC offers, thus leading to increased enrollment. This program would be self-supporting; fees will be charged to cover faculty/instructor stipends and class supplies. Possible dates are Saturday, April 28, 2018 or Saturday, May 19, 2018. Contact Bev if you are interested in serving on the planning committee.
- NC Community College System Conference – Oct. 7-9, 2018. Encouraging faculty/staff to submit ideas for presentations. Use this link for submissions: [NCCCS presentation submissions](#)

Enrollment Management – Julie Padgett

- Preparing for graduation in May 2018. Students need to check requirements ASAP and apply for graduation. See Julie with any questions.
- Seeking volunteers to serve on planning committee for Spring Fling 2018. Looking at possible focus on community service. Contact Julie to volunteer.

External Relations – Michael Lavender

Be on the lookout for an email from Ellen Miller at Nebo Elementary concerning participation in the 5th grade career fair.

Institutional Effectiveness – Ladelle Harmon

Budget Hearings are currently underway; scheduled to be finished this week.

Learning & Student Services – Dr. Cross

Remind all students that MTCC will conduct its' first spring graduation this May. Encourage students to check all requirements and complete all documentation needed to graduate.

McDowell Early College – Dr. Billy Cline

- February 27 – all MEC 11th grade students will be taking the ACT
- February 28 – deadline to apply to MEC for the 2018-19 academic year. Applications are on the MEC website and can be obtained from the local middle schools.

Meeting adjourned – 2:55pm

Respectfully submitted,
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