

McDowell Technical Community College President's Council Minutes

The President's Council met on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at 2:00pm in the boardroom, Dogwood building.

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

President – Dr. Gossett

- Shared that he and Ryan Garrison have worked through most of the budget. There is some supply money left but overall there is not a lot of money available.
 - Enrollment numbers are out and ours numbers have dropped since fall 2016.
 - Fall 2016 – 439 FTE
 - Fall 2017 – 392 FTE
- This is the case across the state; many community colleges are looking at reduced FTE's. MTCC could be looking at a reduction in travel. This reduction is something we would like to avoid because so much professional development takes place as our people travel to conferences and other meetings.
- The group discussed ideas/suggestions for additional classes.

Allied Health – Judy Melton

- Furniture will be moved in to SIM lab by the end of the month
- Working on the ribbon cutting ceremony; should take place toward the end of October.

College & Career Readiness – Terry Valentino

- Met with prison administration two weeks ago. They requested classes be offered to inmates, in addition to the programs being offered.

Continuing Education – Brad Ledbetter

No report

Curriculum – Dr. Benton

On Friday, September 15 MHS is hosting a Career & Volunteer Expo and MTCC has been invited to attend and promote programs. Would like to have many MTCC programs represented at this event. Contact Dr. Benton if you would like to participate.

Developmental Studies & Quality Enhancement – Dr. Watts

- Dr. Cross, Dr. Watts and Chuck Bowling have met with representatives from the NC Bio Network to discuss ways to promote STEM efforts in McDowell County. An event is scheduled for Nov. 3 and one, possibly, April 6 which would target approximately 100 8th grade students. This program, EASE (Effective and Authentic Science Events) is a comprehensive package designed to make it easy for colleges to host STEM related recruitment and outreach events on their campuses. EASE is a one-day outreach program for middle school students with

the goal of showing them that science is fun, and that the local community college is a good first choice for STEM education. EASE combines video with realistic hands-on activities that highlight the science behind forensics. For more information visit their website <http://www.ncbionetwork.org/educational-resources/activities/ease-effective-authentic-science-event>

- Working with Dr. Cross and representatives from MHS to run a pilot program in spring 2018 that will provide remediation for high school students. CCRG is the high school remediation project mandated by the state

Distance Education – Joan Weiler

Currently experiencing problems with Blackboard; it is not opening correctly with phone apps.

Enrollment Management – Julie Padgett

- On September 6 a representative from WCU will be in the commons area talking with students about programs offered at the University.
- On September 12th SGA will be hosting a local blood drive from 10 am til 2:30 pm in room 113 in WHS building. All donors can make an appointment by calling Susan Long at 659-0418 or making an appointment through The American Red Cross. Learn more at: www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass
- Constitution Day is Sunday, Sept. 17. Pocket-sized copies of the Constitution will be distributed to students on Monday, Sept. 18.
- October 24 – Fall Festival; planning for a Hippies '60 theme
- SGA Hurricane Harvey Collection – leave your donated goods in a collection box located in the lobby of the Cedar Building and in the lobby of the Universal building. The collection will end Monday, Sept. 18.

External Relations – Michael Lavender

- Still seeking MTCC programs to sponsor booths for the Mtn. Glory Festival; scheduled for October 14, 9:30am to 6pm. If interested contact him by Sept. 6. This will be a great opportunity for programs with low or declining enrollments to get their word out!
- Has ordered new coffee mugs and pens with MTCC logo.

Faculty – Kelly McFarland

No report

Finance & Administration – Ryan Garrison

The budget will be ready to present to the Board of Trustees at their monthly meeting scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 14.

Grants – Dick Mauney

No report

Institutional Effectiveness – Ladelle Harmon

It is time to complete the 2016-17 IE Plans for curriculum programs as well as administrative units. These plans should include summarized data and plans of action for improvement, regardless of whether you met or did not meet your stated objectives, for the fall 16, spring 17 and summer 17 semesters. **I would like to have all plans submitted by September 29.** Four curriculum programs completed their IE Plans (Accounting, Early Childhood Education, School Age, and Networking Technology) when we conducted the mid-year review during the spring semester.

Learning & Student Services – Dr. Cross

- We are delighted to have Aprille Bailey join the Student Services team. Aprille is now the Assistant to Student Services and Financial Aid. She will continue to support Academic Programs for a period of time.
- Members of the Student Services team will be attending a meeting Sept. 12 & 13 to learn more about the Residency Determination Service (RDS).
- Training, sponsored by the National Behavioral Intervention Team Association (NaBita), will be held this Thursday and Friday at the Universal Advanced Manufacturing Building. We are expecting representatives from 9 other schools to join us for this event.

McDowell Early College – Dr. Billy Cline

No report

Technology – Elmer Macopson

By this time Dell machines should be out to everyone and all should have Windows 10 on the desktop. Contact Elmer if you do not have this.

Universal – Eddie Shuford

Two local businesses are looking for someone to teach Microsoft Office 365 Outlook classes to their employees. Contact Eddie at eddieshuford@mcdowelltech.edu

Meeting adjourned – 2:50pm

Respectfully submitted,
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