

McDowell Technical Community College President's Council Minutes

The President's Council met on September 26, 2017 at 2:00pm in the boardroom, Dogwood building.

Present: Dr. Benton, Dr. Cross, Madalyn Gaito, Ryan Garrison, Dr. Gossett, Bo Harmon, Michael Lavender, Kelly McFarland, Judy Melton, Julie Padgett, Eddie Shuford, Dr. Watts, Joan Weiler

President – Dr. Gossett

- Attended the Western Presidents' meeting on Friday, Sept. 22.
 - The presidents discussed the need for an executive director of NCACCP to provide help with legislative issues.
 - The group discussed current enrollment numbers
 - 6 out of 16 schools are experiencing a decrease in headcount
 - 5 out of 16 are experiencing flat enrollment
 - 5 out of 16 are up; mostly due to increased enrollment in HS/Early College programs
- RDS goes live on Monday, October 2 – there are still lots of questions and concerns with the program.
- Attended the McDowell Education Committee meeting
 - Dr. Gossett shared information about the Chamber/MTCC After Hours event, scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 2, and shared the positive results from the 2017 Performance Measures.
 - The McDowell County Commissioners and MEDA are working on a plan to enhance the property behind Universal. The goal is to clean up around the lake, above the pond and up the mountain to create a greenway space. More details to come.

Allied Health – Judy Melton

- Tentative date for SIM Lab open house celebration is November 17; more details to come
- Oct. 13 - hosting an MDC meeting in WHS building.

College & Career Readiness – Terry Valentino

No report

Continuing Education – Brad Ledbetter

No Report

Curriculum – Dr. Benton

No Report

Developmental Studies & Quality Enhancement – Dr. Watts

- PTK induction went well. There were over 25 students inducted on Sept. 25
- On Friday, November 3rd and again on Friday, April 6th McDowell Tech will be hosting 100 McDowell County 8th grade students for a day of crime scene investigation in collaboration with the North Carolina BioNetwork. This event is an opportunity to get students excited about scientific exploration and to engage them in logical, critical thinking AND it's a chance to get the message out about McDowell Tech as a terrific next step as they finish high school. **Need volunteers** (see email from Chuck Bowling)
- Hosting 6th grade students on Dec. 1 & 8 for brain teaser/logic workshops

Distance Education – Joan Weiler

No report

Enrollment Management – Julie Padgett

- The team has been working hard to get everything ready for RDS to go live on Monday, Oct. 2. CFNC applications will not be available this week but students can complete a paper application.
- Attended an SGA division meeting at Caldwell CC. Is in the process of revising the SGA constitution and will have that ready for trustee approval at the October Board meeting
- Fall Festival is scheduled for Oct. 24. The theme is Hippie Days so plan to dress in your best 60's attire! Rachel Pearson will be placing an order for tie-dyed t-shirts so check with her as soon as possible if you need a shirt.
- Fall Festival planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 28 at Noon. They will be meeting in WHS – first floor.
Contact Julie if you are interested in helping with this event.
- Trunk or Treat will take place at MHS on Thursday, Oct. 26 from 5-7pm. Contact Julie if you are interested in helping with this event.

External Relations – Michael Lavender

- Upcoming articles scheduled to be published in the McDowell News
 - Destiny Mader – receiving 2017 Governor's Award of Distinction as an "Outstanding Young Adult"
 - 2017 Performance Measures for Student Success – MTCC ranked #2 in the state

Faculty – Kelly McFarland

No report

Finance & Administration – Ryan Garrison

- Recent fire drill went well – thanks for your cooperation
- October 4 – scheduled Hard Lock Down Drill; make sure your students know the procedures.

Grants – Dick Mauney

No report

Institutional Effectiveness – Ladelle Harmon

No report

Learning & Student Services – Dr. Cross

- Currently working on plans for the CCRG pilot math program scheduled to begin spring 2018; working with MHS students. All programs will be ready to go live for fall 2018.
- Working with Developmental Ed to revise the current DMA tests
- Participating in ERP planning sessions – program to be implemented in 5 years.

Technology – Elmer Macopson

No report

Universal – Eddie Shuford

No report

Announcements

- **CONGRATULATIONS** to Elmer Macopson! He, Patti and Alyssa welcomed Reagon into their family on Monday, Sept. 25.
- **Billboard Slogan Contest** – We need your best copy for a billboard; advertising MTCC. Keep it short since most billboards are seen from a speeding car. Once we get the verbiage, we'll hand it over to Jorge for the artwork. There will be prizes for the winner so give it some thought.
Have your entries to the President's Office by **5pm on Tuesday, October 3**

Meeting adjourned – 3:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

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Cc: email – faculty & staff