

McDowell Technical Community College President's Council Minutes

The President's Council met on Tuesday, April 4 at 2:00pm in the boardroom/Dogwood building.

Present: Dr. Gossett, Ryan Garrison, Elmer Macopson, Dick Mauney, Ladelle Harmon, Joan Weiler, Michael Lavender, Terry Valentino, Dr. Watts, Dr. Cross, Brad Ledbetter, Judy Melton, Dr. Benton, Madalyn Gaito

President – Dr. Gossett

- Dr. Gossett shared information he received from the SACSCOC Associate VP, Assessment, Planning and Research. Dr. Sculetta congratulated MTCC on having the highest student-course success rate of all the 58 NC Community Colleges. Fully 82% of McDowell students who enroll in a course end up completing it with an A, B, C, or P. Course success rates for colleges across the state range from a low of 63% to 82%. Dr. Sculetta has invited MTCC to send representatives to the 2017 Performance Partnership Summit to share some success strategies for boosting student-course success.
- Distributed and discussed the college allotment projection worksheet recently sent out from the System Office, presenting rough numbers for the state budget. It included information on the 2016-17 Actual Budget, 2017-18 Projected Status Quo and the 2017-18 projected budgets from the Governor.
- Attended the NCACCP meeting March 29-31. Wednesday, March 29 was Community College Day at the General Assembly. This was a chance for CC presidents to meet with the legislators representing their area. Also on the NCACCP agenda was several items whereby general statutes would need to be changed for the oversight of community colleges. None of the proposed changes would impact MTCC.
- Residency Determination Service will be in place beginning June 2017. We will work to reduce the impact on students by increasing marketing; letting students know the specific documents/information they need to bring with them to complete their application/registration.
- Career & College Graduate Alignment – the General Assembly passed this unfunded mandate requiring collaboration between the community college and the high schools to ensure students are ready to enter higher education upon graduation from high school. Drs. Watts and Cross have been meeting with representatives from McDowell High to develop the program. Dr. Watts has taken the lead and things seem to be moving along nicely.

Finance & Administrative Report – Ryan Garrison

- In light of the NCAA National Basketball Championship results Ryan was given few minutes to bask in the glory that is due to him as a graduate and fan of UNC-CH. Like Rik Flair entering the squared circle, Ryan will be “stylin’ and profin’” until further notice.

Grants – Dick Mauney

- Working with the local Health Coalition to develop a mental health partnership; looking toward increasing future grant opportunities in this area.

External Relations – Michael Lavender

- The summer schedule will be going to press next week and is on the MTCC website now.
- Will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of MTCC with events taking place this September. Please contact Michael if you would like to serve on the Anniversary Committee.
- Please contact Michael if you have not had your photo taken for the website.

College & Career Readiness – Terry Valentino

- Recently attended a meeting of the local Community Food Hub. They are building a commercial kitchen in the area and will be looking for partnerships for training in various areas.

Developmental Studies & Quality Enhancement – Dr. Watts

- Presented plans to implement a pilot program of evaluation of academic advising (see attached). The forms will be given out to students this semester. The completed forms will become part of an evaluation packet to be used as a point of discussion between faculty and their direct supervisors.

Allied Health – Dean Melton

- Ashley Brooke Waycaster has been hired as the Health Liaison/Practical Nurse Instructor. She will begin work on Monday, April 10.

Curriculum – Dr. Benton

- A new computer aided plasma cutter has been added at Universal. This will serve several programs.
- The compliance examiner will be on campus for 3 weeks beginning April 10. She will be working out of WHS 221.

Institutional Effectiveness – Ladelle Harmon

- Course instructor evaluations are taking place.
- IE Plans/fall data due March 31st. Still waiting on some to be submitted – you know who you are!

Distance Learning – Joan Weiler

- Will be conducting a Distance Learning meeting on Tuesday, April 11 at 10:30am in Building 4 #7.

Announcements

- 3rd Annual MTCC Foundation Golf Tournament is scheduled for May 5. Please contact Chip Cross if you would like to play in the tournament or volunteer to help the day of the tournament.

Meeting adjourned – 3:30pm

Respectfully submitted,
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