

McDowell Technical Community College President's Council Minutes

The President's Council met on September 15, 2020 at 2:00pm via Zoom.

Present: Ryan Garrison, Stacy Buff, Dr. Penny Cross, Madalyn Gaito, Ladelle Harmon, Michael Lavender, Elmer Macopson, Judy Melton, Julie Padgett, Summer Perkins, Breanna Rose, Teresa Valentino, Dr. Beverly Watts

Interim President – Ryan Garrison

- Provided an update on the MTCC Presidential Search. Sixty-six complete applications were received. The search firm, Executive Leadership Associates, narrowed the field to eight candidates which they presented to the Board of Trustees on Thursday, Sept. 10, 2020. The trustees narrowed the list to three candidates who will be invited to participate in interviews on campus, one per day, on Oct. 12, 13 and 14. Candidates will be given a campus tour, meet with those who report directly to the president, participate in a campus-wide forum and will then interview with the Board of Trustees. The plan is for the Trustees to select one candidate at their meeting on Thursday, Oct. 15. That name will be submitted to the NC Community College State Board for approval at their November meeting and the goal is to have the new president begin on January 1, 2021.
- Thanks to Jorge Valentino for working on the campus updates; painting sections of entrances to buildings.
- The Cosmetology building should receive the Certificate of Occupancy in the next week.

Arts & Sciences – Judy Melton

- HIT Valerie Dobson and Judy Butner just completed their virtual CAHIIM re-accreditation process component with an excellent review. The accreditors were very impressed with the program and noted many strengths of the program including:
 - 1) Valerie is a strength for the program
 - 2) the long tenure of coordinator and faculty-quality is consistent
 - 3) Administrative support for the program-technology, HIT dedicated lab
 - 4) Interdisciplinary collaboration in the MTCC SIM labThe recommendation for accreditation will be voted on once all of the final documents are completed.
- PNE: 10/11 graduates have passed NCLEX-PN. There are 22 more left to test between now and December. Most are scheduled in September, October, and November. COVID is still impacting how quickly they can schedule test. They are currently working as “graduate nurses” until they test.

Currently 42 PNE students enrolled and progressing well. They are currently in clinical.

- Nurse Aide classes strong. Completing clinical in SIM lab related to lack of clinical sites.
- College Transfer classes have reported their 3 week grades for high school students. Thanks to Joan for her help in making this happen for many in the open LMS.
- Business Technology courses are up and going well in their 14 week course.
- Everyone is working on getting ready for SACSCOC

College & Career Readiness – Terry Valentino

- Looking for a Part Time instructor for ELA classes
- Working on a mentor program for male youth (ages16-20) who are in their program. Contact Terry at TeresaValentino@mcdowelltech.edu

Continuing Education & Workforce Development – Stacy Buff

- Working with Madalyn Gaito on grants through Golden Leaf and the Dept. of Labor to develop programs for a Continuing Education and Workforce Development Center in Old Fort. This includes a new program in trail construction and sustainability.
- Teresa Valentino has been named the Director of Small Business; beginning December 1, 2020.

Developmental Studies & Quality Enhancement – Dr. Beverly Watts

- The QEP team has been working hard and is ready for the SACSCOC visit next week. They will meet on Friday, Sept. 18 at 9am in WHS 113 to review the presentation.
- Have started a campaign to inform students about the student success initiative, ROARR (improving Registration, Orientation, Advising, Retention and Referral). Sandwich boards and banners are being placed in strategic locations around campus.

Distance Education – Summer Perkins

Wanted to let students know that the Student Assistance Program can be found under the Resources section of Tutor.com

Enrollment Management – Julie Padgett

- Blood Drive took place on Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2020
- In the planning stages for how to create a Fall Festival experience for students

External Relations – Michael Lavender

Completed schedules should be turned in by the end of October in order to publish in mid-November

Human Resources – Breanna Rose

- Service awards have been delayed this year; she will be contacting those who are scheduled to receive recognition for 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, or 30 years of service at MTCC.
- Evaluation forms will be distributed after October 1, 2020

Institutional Effectiveness – Ladelle Harmon

- SACSCOC review is scheduled for next week, September 22-24, 2020.
- In the process of finalizing the interview schedule.
- The committee chair indicated that we are in good shape.
- Will be out on campus videoing key areas on campus on Wednesday, Sept. 16.

Learning & Student Services – Dr. Penny Cross

- Thanks to everyone for working hard to make adjustments to schedules to ensure that the students from MEC, MAI, and CCP are able to get the classes they need.
- Pre-registration for Spring Semester begins Nov. 16. Schedules are needed by mid-October
- Curriculum Committee will meet on September 16, 2020.

Technology – Elmer Macopson

- Thanks to the Technology Dept (Tab Adcock, Summer Perkins, Sharon Silver and Joan Weiler) for all their hard work.
- The team is working on 10 initiatives involving the main campus as well as the site at Baldwin Avenue.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35pm

Respectfully submitted,