

President's Report, June 2022

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CCC-Grand Island

- 1) I participated in two days of strategic planning with representatives from the NCCA including Rita Skiles and Diane Keller. CCC-Kearney was the host location and included a tour of the facilities by visiting board members from other Nebraska community colleges. I also attended Diane's retirement celebration in Aurora – Congratulations again!
- 2) Attended the Governor's Legislative Summary meeting in Grand Island and publicly thanked him for his support of community colleges this session as well as over the past eight years.
- 3) Participated as the higher education representative on the Greater Nebraska Workforce Development Board and have been asked to be part of a panel at the Governor's Workforce Summit this fall.
- 4) Met with a few area superintendents about tuition options for Early College students taking CCC classes while in high school and taught by high school (CCC qualified) teachers.
- 5) Attended some training organized by CCC but presented by external professionals, one on new budgeting software and the second on enrollment management, emphasizing Gen Z.
- 6) Led a presentation to representatives of the Suzanne and Walter Scott Foundation regarding a possible partnership program. Results should be known in the next couple of months.
- 7) Participated in the dean of instruction/nursing interviews. No candidate was selected so the position being readvertised.
- 8) Invited to participate in a master planning session for the Grand Island Children's Museum that is proposed for the old armory building.
- 9) Attended the Grand Island Economic Development annual meeting/luncheon and the Columbus Chamber of Commerce annual meeting where three of the individuals honored for awards are CCC graduates!
- 10) Met with ACCT reps regarding the Nebraska Governor's Institute that we will host in November as part of the NCCA annual meeting.
- 11) Participated in learning from CCC's Leading with Excellence class which presented information and provided recommendations on future LWE experiences.
- 12) Held multiple meetings regarding future changes as we explore reorganization of extended learning services, training, health sciences, nursing and business divisions in addition to changes in reporting of college communications, sustainability, disability services and human resources.
- 13) Participating in a Higher Learning Commission Assurance Review of another HLC college to keep updated on accreditation processes.
- 14) From Veteran Services: Grand Island student and veteran Steve Floyd has volunteered to be the keynote speaker and Grand Marshall of the 2022 Nebraska State Fair. This year's theme is honoring the service during the Global War on Terror, which started shortly after September 11, 2001, and ended last May. There is an entire generation of

veterans who have served 20 or more years since 9/11, and Steve is one of them. As a 20-year retiree of the U.S. Navy, he will talk about what motivated him to join and serve, and what he learned what freedom meant to him.

- 15) From Career and Employment Services: The CCC-Grand Island Career and Employment Services Office has registered 23 new employers and 101 jobs have been posted this month. Over 400 CCC students registered to see these updates.
- 16) From Residence Life: Fall housing applications as of this week are 134 (out of 150) in Columbus and 226 (out of 390) in Hastings. More new student orientations are planned yet this summer so both numbers will go up prior to August. We have had our first application for the UNK housing opportunity this fall.
- 17) From the Dean of Health Science: All medical lab technician students are successful in their first three weeks of summer clinicals. New for summer clinical courses is weekly group check-in meetings where they can discuss the cool things they are seeing, how they are applying what they have learned, and areas they felt underprepared for. The students give positive feedback about this addition and feel it provides increased support for them.
- 18) From the Dean of Skilled and Technical Sciences: Drs. Amy Mancini and Nate Allen, deans of instruction, attended a conference in Lincoln at the University of Nebraska Innovation campus June 2-4 which was hosted by the National Council of Instructional Administrators. Other national instructional administrators attended and engaged on such topics on diversity, faculty engagement and leadership.
- 19) Also from the Dean of STS: Several positions remain open after multiple searches. These include quality, commercial construction, associate dean of STS, and adjuncts in advanced manufacturing and mechatronics.
- 20) Columbus welding faculty met with Dr. Coleen Stice regarding the possibility of making portable stoves for use in international mission projects. Instructor Bryce Standley led a workshop for employees from CNH in May on robotic welding through the training and development division as well as a workshop for employees from Camaco. Another training is planned for CNH employees in July.
- 21) From the Dean of STS: Diesel instructor Jeff Bexten has 33 students placed in internships/co-ops across Nebraska this summer.
- 22) From the Apprenticeship Director: Eilers Machine Shop in Lexington has been added as an apprenticeship partner with CCC. The business anticipates sending students to the AMDT program in Kearney for evening classes beginning this fall.
- 23) From the Dean of Business: Associate Dean Michelle Setlik is setting up a July meeting that will include Tim Jares and Bree Dority, dean and associate dean in the business division at UNK, and other TBD College of Business leadership with CCC business administration and business occupations leadership to continue exploring ways for both colleges to work together and possibly add another INFO pathway.
- 24) From the Dean of Business: HMRM Director Lindsay Higel held a cooking class for residents of the Maryland Program. The class will be held monthly until October as part of a program with UNL Extension to teach about food waste; budgeting for food, nutrition and healthier eating/cooking; and basic cooking skills.
- 25) From the Dean of Business: The Grand Island Entrepreneurship Center has rented out its second office (one remaining) and has scheduled a three-part marketing series in

collaboration with the Center for Rural Affairs. The speaker will be Julie Wright, owner of Tally Creative. Dates are July 12, 19, and 26.