

March 10, 2023

**D E A R M E M B E R O F T H E L C C C O M M U N I T Y**

I trust your spring semester is going well. I am writing today with a few administrative and operational updates below. Many ongoing projects are happening across the institutions and system, including the sun setting of several grants that have prompted increased activities as we approach their end. Key departments of the College have begun implementing final grant deliverables to ensure the full completion of expected goals. The College continues seeking additional grant funding opportunities to help us meet institutional priorities. Last week, we submitted an application to the NJCAA Foundation to start an *Esport* Athlete team at LCC.

Due to unexpected scheduling conflicts, we moved the President's Leadership Council to next week. The next PLC meeting will be on 3/20 at 2 PM. If you have an agenda item to suggest, please forward those to my attention. Budget meetings will be scheduled soon, allowing us to review the requested initiatives and amounts and the projected institutional revenue based on enrollment goals. We hope this information will help guide expectations and allocations in the midst of increasing competing priorities.

As we approach spring break, I hope you will take some time this weekend or next week to rest, reflect, and re-energize. There is great value in ensuring our days do not escape us without taking the time to reflect on where we are and where we hope to be in the future, both personally and in our professional practice. I plan to do the same, especially after reading all your completed forms for the *Visioning Activity* from January 10th All-Employee Meeting. I will also take two days to visit my family back in PA. The kids do not know I'm coming! I look forward to seeing how messy their rooms may be without mom around. But more importantly, I can't wait to hug them tightly.

The feedback you provided in the *Visioning Activities* and the guidance I continue to receive during the individual meetings with the members of our LCC community have at the heart of them a core message of appreciation for our strong mix of tradition and innovation, a need for greater community involvement, a desired for a supported and stable workforce, and a focus on our current students while increasing new enrollment. Within these central themes are many other areas that will ultimately make these broad goals possible. We must remain focused on the small items to impact the significant markers on our list. As we incrementally improve in small marginal areas, we will inevitably improve the overall fulfillment of our institutional vision and goals.

Colleagues, although we are living with increased change, demands, and competition for limited resources, what has not changed is the need for us to continue to join together as a community—one that is centered on fortitude, dedication, and care for one another and our students.

Thank you for all you do to enrich our community and our students!

Dr. Rosana Reyes

**UPDATES**

- In order to enhance equity of access to library learning resources, the system is collaboratively proposing centralized online library services and collections to all students, faculty, and staff regardless of instructional modality system-wide. See attached draft document for more details.

- As part of our work in standing up CO Online and the Rural College Consortium, the decision was made to align prerequisites/corequisites across our colleges. The alignment conversation began at the 2021 2:2 Conference. It was formalized at the 2:2 2022 Conference, where disciplines were asked to align prerequisites/corequisites and submit to the System Office by December 1, 2022. Approximately 150 disciplines did not submit prerequisites/corequisites. Most of these disciplines were CTE and often don't meet as a discipline to discuss these matters. Approximately 120 disciplines did not have any online classes. Those discipline prerequisites/corequisites will remain as they are currently and have until September 2024 to align for AY2025-26. Approximately 25 disciplines had online classes. Those discipline prerequisites/corequisites will remain as they are currently and have until September 2023 to align for AY2024-25.
- CIP codes and "like program" names are now aligned across the system. User acceptance testing (UAT) wrapped up on February 24<sup>th</sup>. Some findings will require rework and edits to the Banner scripts utilized in this solution, and as a result, there will be an impact on the timeline previously communicated.
- Key enrollment dates are now aligned system-wide, including semester start date, registration start date, census date, drop date, and last day to withdraw date.
- **Registration starts March 13.** Attached, please find the latest *Summer and Fall 2023 Application Reports*
- Attached, please find the finalized *concurrent enrollment reimbursement agreement*. CCCS has agreed to move to 100% reimbursement for online concurrent enrollment.
- President Reyes attended or presented at:
  - Prowers Economic Prosperity (PEP) board meeting on 2/27
  - Prowers County Commissioners meeting on 3/7
  - 3/1/23 Rodeo Team Banquet
  - 3/6/23 Renewable energy meeting with Vice President Kamala Harris in Denver
  - 3/10/23 Lamar School District.
- The Foundation for Colorado Community Colleges scholarship application is now open with an **April 16** deadline. The application has multiple scholarships available to students, including LCC. LCCF Presidential and Kane Family Foundation *Scholarships deadline is April 7*, geared primarily toward HS seniors. To apply, please direct students to [Scholarships – Lamar. CC](#).

### Capital Projects Update:

- Replace Roofs, Trustees, Bowman, & Wellness Center Ph. 1 of 1
  - Wellness Center – 98% complete – Working on punch list items
  - Bowman Building - 80% complete – Complete EPDM/Synthetic Rubber Roofing Membrane this week.
  - Betz Atrium - 40% complete – Projected to complete by 3/17
  - Trustees - 40% complete – Projected to complete by 4/15
- ADA Code Compliance, Campus Wide, Ph. 1 of 1
  - In design, 75% CD Phase – Anticipate bidding in May
- Replace Chiller, Valves, Pipes, and Controls, Bowman Building (SLFRF)
  - In design, 90% CD Phase – Anticipate bidding in late April
- Nursing #205 Remodel: HB21-1264
  - In early design phase – Anticipate bidding mid-to-late May
  - Library/Learning Resource Center renovation – Bowman Building is in design
- Bowman Building Renovation (Capital Renewal) Phase 1 (SLFRF)
  - In design, anticipate phase II funding in June
- Upgrade Building Door Access Control & Campus Safety - Ph. 1 & 2
  - Under construction – Electricians are 6 weeks ahead of schedule. Expected completion by 10/2023
- Replace Pumps, Controls, and Valves, Campus Irrigation System (SLFRF)
  - Contract negotiations/finalize 3/10/23.