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Message from the President

The 2017-2018 academic year began with an amazing start! We are now in full swing with so much going on at all three MOR campuses. It is truly amazing to see on the work being done on the different efforts in alignment with the new Strategic Plan. In this issue of *MOR in Motion*, you will find highlights on MOR campus updates, CA Guided Pathways, and Central Valley Promise.

On Opening Day, fall 2017, many of you participated in groups, designing and developing a newly structured Integrated Planning Model. We had many great ideas and I hope you are pleased with the proposed final product, unveiled on page 2.

We are also celebrating the new look and redesign of our websites. Reedley College website has already gone live; MCCC and OCCC will now have their own separate websites, which is scheduled to go live next month. Thanks to all faculty and staff that helped to improve our online appearance.

Bond project updates, all three campuses have so much to look forward to, as these projects continue to develop. Oakhurst Community College Center has already hosted two community forums, obtaining feedback on a new site; progress has made way at MCCC and Reedley College, the solar projects began on October 17 in Reedley, with an anticipated date of October 24 in Madera.

Later this month, Madera Community College Center will be celebrating the past and present with a Founders Day event, on October 24 at MCCC commencing at 4:00 p.m. in TM 11. The event will recognize those who were instrumental in the founding of MCCC, unveil the newly named Dr. Bill F. Stewart Administration Building, and provide updates on the MCCC bond projects.

This semester we will also be stimulating our efforts to increase funding for the Center for the Fine and Performing Arts at Reedley College. Our campus and community has already committed an amazing \$250,000. To keep up the momentum, we will be hosting more events during the semester and reaching out to the community for support; this includes the Gatsby Gala on December 9. Tickets are available by clicking on the following link: http://bit.ly/RC_Gatsby_Gala

The fall 2017 semester has seen benefits from many of our improvement initiatives. At least 30 additional transfer level English and math classes were scheduled this semester due to the full implementation of the Multiple Measures Implementation. Reedley College is also a first tier pilot college for the Starfish initiative in conjunction with the IEPI project that also began this semester. A great amount of time and work on the Guided Pathways; Reedley College was selected as one of only 20 in the State to participate in this project. In fall 2018, we will be seeing the first cohort of Central Valley Promise students enrolled at our college. Please read more about Guided Pathways and Central Valley Promise in this issue of *MOR in Motion*.



MOR members at the IEPI meeting on October 2. L-R: Michelle Stricker, Stephanie Curry, Rebecca Snyder, Renee Craig-Marius, Janice Offenbach, Ganesan Srinivasan, Richardson Fleuridor, Ray Sanchez, Marie Harris, and Dr. Sandra Caldwell.

Campus Updates

This month Reedley College was accepted as a Community College Undergraduate Research Initiative (CCURI) affiliate program. CCURI is funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) and encourages research at the early levels of higher education as a way to keep students engaged in the STEM field. The initiative has over 40 institutional partners across the nation. Reedley College has chosen in part for its Honors Forum classes that already support early research from instructors Dr. John Heathcote, Joseph Lin, Bethany Bush, and Tracy Carrera. Through CCURI, the Reedley College Honors Program and science instructors will now have access to nationwide research programs that they can incorporate into their own coursework.

Two Madera Community College Center (MCCC) ag business students, Larisa Salenik and Annalicia Arias, are in a select group of 50 students chosen from throughout the country to attend the 24th National ATE Principal Investigators Conference being held in Washington, D.C. from October

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New Websites Update

Reedley College's new website went live on September 28 and officially replaced the old one. The "mobile first design" of the new website enables it to work well on cell phones, tablets, and a variety of other devices. The new website is also fully ADA compliant. Also on September 28, the Madera Community College Center and Oakhurst Community College Center websites went to the beta version for final input from students, faculty, and staff. Please continue to send suggestions and updates to Webmaster Drew Baker. These websites are currently scheduled to go-live on November 1.

This September, the webmasters learned that the new website design for all the SCCCD sites won the Gold Award in the 2017 dotCOMM International Website Design Competition. The dotcom awards honor excellence in web creativity and digital communication and are administered and judged by the Association of Marketing and Communication Professionals (AMCP), one of the largest, oldest, and most respected evaluators of creative work in the marketing and communication industry.



Getting Social

RC, MCCC, and OCCC continue to increase their presence on social media. Please view and like the new sites with the handles below:

Reedley College



Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ReedleyCollegeTigers/>

Twitter: <http://twitter.com/reedleycollege>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/reedleycollege/>

Google Plus: <https://plus.google.com/108285400187363530516>

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/school/15131713/>



Madera Community College Center

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MaderaCommunityCollegeCenter/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/MaderaCCC>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/maderacc/>



Oakhurst Community College Center

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Oakhurst-Community-College-Center-791145491030074/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/OakhurstCCC>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/oakhurstccc/>

Accreditation Update

The Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER) and Quality Focus Essay (QFE) has been completed and approved by the College Council at their October 4 meeting.

The entire ISER will be presented to the State Center Community College District Board of Trustees (BOT) for first read in November 2017 with the second read scheduled for December 2017. Following approval from the BOT, it is anticipated that the ISER will be sent to ACCJC in January 2018. Our accreditation visit is scheduled for March 5-8, 2018.

If you would like to learn more about the Accreditation process, complete the Accreditation Basics Course using the following link: <http://www.accjc-accreditationcourse.org/>.

Central Valley Promise

The Central Valley Promise (CVP) is a community-wide effort to promote college as a viable option for youth in our region. The Promise will ensure that if students and their parents pledge to do what it takes in middle and high school to prepare, college will be there for them in the future, guaranteed.

The Community College promises one semester of fee-free college (based on AB 1741) for all Central Valley Promise eligible high school graduates who have met CVP criteria.

The goal of the Central Valley Promise is to improve the K-16 pipeline. This educational partnership includes K-12 Districts, SCCCD, WHCCD and Fresno State. The outcome of this effort is to develop a college going culture throughout the Central Valley.

Reedley College's partner/pilot year high schools are Orange Cove High School, Reedley High School, and Sanger High School. The first year pilot cohort of Central Valley Promise students for Reedley College will enroll in Fall 2018.



In planning for the Central Valley Promise, there has been a strong and consistent focus by CVP Executive Committee members on ensuring the sustainability of the program. This body has committed not only to sustaining this programs outreach, administrative, and funding activities with all current partners, but to scaling up the CVP to serve all students in our region.

Guided Pathways



California
Guided Pathways

As part of being selected as one of the 20 colleges in the California Guided Pathways Project RC Core team members will be attending a series of six multi-day institutes from 2017-2019. These institutes are a professional development opportunities to learn from experts in Guided Pathways implementation.

In addition, the college is provided guidance from two experienced pathways coaches. The Core team attended the first institute in September 2017. The theme of the first institute was planning for Guided Pathways implementation. The focus of the project is to not just jump into the project but create a strong foundation for guided pathways that will last beyond the project. Participants including Dr. Caldwell, Renee Craig Marius, Michelle Stricker, Marie Harris, Richardson Fleuridor, Ganesan Srinivasan and Stephanie Curry discussed change leadership strategies for implementing projects at scale. The group is also working in a “case statement” for why Guided Pathways is essential for Reedley College.

During this institute the Core Group also identified additional faculty, staff, administrators and students to be part of the Transition Team (T2) workgroup. Two important takeaways of the first institute are that the college needs to make time (even if that means giving some things up) to do this urgent work and we need to always remember “keep the student need in mind” when implementing the guided pathways framework. The next institute in November/December will focus on Mapping Programs. Look for continual updates on Guided Pathways in future MOR in Motion newsletters.

REEDLEY COLLEGE INTEGRATED PLANNING



During the Opening Day activities in August, each table was asked to create their best visual for being able to verbalize and demonstrate our integrated planning. After the sketches were created, everyone in attendance that day voted on their favorites. From that voting, the top five were chosen. Rough drafts of the top five were then created digitally and sent out in a survey to all three campuses for MOR to view and vote on. Once voting was complete, and the top choice was made, the digital artwork was created. We are now proud to present our proposed new Integrated Planning graphic. This model will be presented to President's Cabinet on October 24 and College Council on November 1. Thanks to everyone who came up with ideas and voted. A very special thank you to the team that created this concept: Becky Reimer, Rebecca Snyder, Walid Tayar, Ryan LaSalle, Rick Garza, Ray Sanchez, and Deb Lapp.

Strategic Drivers



1. Develop a plan and a timeline to support MCCC's accreditation eligibility.
2. In conjunction with the implementation of Guided Pathways, reimagine, and redesign our student support functions, to focus on student needs.
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 - b. Reimagine and redesign our student support functions to focus on student needs.
3. Design and implement real-time data structures that supports EMP, PR, SLO's and accreditation.

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22-25. The conference is sponsored by the American Association of Community Colleges with support from the National Science Foundation (NSF). This year's conference theme will be "Hands-on Minds-on; Pathways to a Highly Skilled U.S. Workforce" and will focus on issues related to advanced technological education. The conference will include attendees from community colleges, business and industry, secondary school systems, and four-year colleges. Also attending the conference will be MCCC Dean of Instruction Dr. Ganesan Srinivasan and ag business instructor Samuel Rodriguez.



Vice President of Madera and Oakhurst Community College Centers Dr. Claudia Habib speaks to Oakhurst community members in September.

The Oakhurst Community College Center hosted a community feedback forum in September on the Oakhurst Site Selection Study that was conducted by Odell Planning & Research on behalf of the State Center Community College District. The study listed preferred locations and a survey was available for community members to complete online.

Classified Senate Update

The MOR Classified Senate is pleased to introduce your Executive Officers for 2017-2018:

- Interim President Kassandra Davis-Schmall
- Interim Vice President Elizabeth Villalobos
- Treasurer Mary Lou Wright
- Secretary Katherine Guhin

The MOR Classified Senate sold Harvest "appreciation" Grams for \$1.00 last week, and they will be delivered the week of October 23. Also happening that week are senator elections. Please make sure to check your email and vote for your representatives.

Our next meeting is on October 31 at 3-4 p.m., with meeting locations at Reedley and Madera (RC- PCR / MCCC- AM 114B). Please join us to learn more about the Classified Senate and what exciting events we are planning for the year.

- *Kassandra Davis-Schmall, Interim Classified Senate President*

MOFA Update

The Madera-Oakhurst Faculty Association (MOFA) has been very actively working on future preparation for our future college status. We are continuing the work of the Madera-Oakhurst ad hoc Taskforce on Committees and Governance and the College Center Council. MOFA has two meetings a month. In addition, we have two MOFA Executive Council meetings a month. The MOFA Executive Council includes: Vice President Ray Sanchez, Secretary Lynette Cortes-Howden, and Past President Gregory Ramirez. Completion of the MOFA COA will serve to formalize MOFA as an independent Academic Senate as Madera begins the accreditation process.

- *Jennifer Gray, MOFA President*

Academic Senate Update

Curriculum (#1 in the 10 + 1)

It is not a coincidence that Curriculum, including establishing prerequisites and placing courses in the discipline, is the first of the Academic Senate 10+ 1 academic and professional matters. Curriculum revision and development is one of the most important aspects of being a faculty member. Curriculum is the foundation for our courses, programs, degrees and certificates. Curriculum work is not easy but it is essential. Per SCCC AR 2510 Curriculum is one of the areas that the administration is to rely primarily upon the advice and judgment of the Senate. For Reedley College this is through the work of the Curriculum Committee chaired by our wonderful Vice President of Curriculum Natasha Maryanow.

The Curriculum Committee has recently approved a new Curriculum Handbook which details the latest updates in Curriculum. The CCCC chancellor's office has worked to streamline state approvals and giving more local autonomy to individual campuses. The hope is to cut down on the long approval lines at the CCCC. In other Curriculum news the new Program and Course Approval Handbook (PCAH) 6th edition has been published which provides guidelines to ensure compliance with regulations and law regarding curriculum. You can learn more about curriculum by attending a Curriculum Committee meeting on Thursdays at 3 p.m. in LRC 104. All are welcome.

- *Stephanie Curry, Reedley College Academic Senate President*