

TO: Board of Trustees
FROM: Carl E. Haynes, Ph.D., President
DATE: April 25, 2017
SUBJECT: President's Report to the Board

ENROLLMENT/BUDGET

My most recent budget report dated April 5, 2017, detailed both the impact of our need to reduce positions in our proposed budget for 2017-2018, as well as other related steps that we had taken up to that point to make progress toward developing a balanced budget proposal for next year. At our meeting prior to the official Board meeting on Thursday evening, I will share our proposed 2017-2018 budget that we have now balanced for the Board's consideration. Additionally, I will provide an update on the current year budget status and our proposal to address what remains of a likely deficit.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES/ACTION PLAN

The most recent Strategic Priorities/Action Plan Periodic Report was shared with the College community, as well as the Board of Trustees and the Foundation Board of Directors on April 17, 2017.

ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT

The contractors remobilized during the week of April 3rd and they have returned to construction. Beginning the week of April 10th, Hale Contracting is providing two crews for the construction. The current schedule is to have the work completed by the first week in June.

CHILDCARE CENTER

The State budget recently approved by our Governor and Legislature did include the State portion of the capital funding for our new Child Care Center (\$1.5 million). With this approval, we are asking the Board to provide authorization for us to move forward with the hiring of an architect, Claudia Brenner Design of Ithaca, New York, to proceed with final design work to include documents for the bidding process for the construction of the Child Care Center which we hope to have under way by late summer or early fall.

OTHER MATTERS

On March 21, I provided the "State of the College" presentation to the Cortland Noon Rotary group.

Also on March 21, Todd McLane, Director of the TC3 Farm, Taylor Reid, TC3 Farm Education Director, and I attended the Cortland County Agricultural Dinner at Tinelli's Hathaway House in Solon. Keynote speaker was Dave Eichorn, Meteorologist.

On March 22, I attended the Classified Staff Recognition luncheon where members were recognized for their length of service to the College.

Also on March 22, Provost Conners, Dean Bradac, Dean Penziul, and I met with Dr. Zvi Szafran, President of SUNY Canton, to discuss possible future collaborations.

On March 23, I presented my “State of the College” report to the Cortland County Legislature.

On March 27, we held our Pathways Scholarship reception with approximately 100 people in attendance. Three Pathways Scholarship recipients, Shana Blum, Daniel Lancaster and William Morrow provided very heartwarming presentations.

On March 28 – 31, I, along with Cathy Northrop, attended the International Chair Academy Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida, where I was presented with the 2017 Chair Academy Director’s Award, and Cathy received the 2017 Idahlynn Karre Exemplary Leadership Award. Keynote speakers at the conference included Ken Steele, a higher education market research analyst and brand consultant, Jane Jenkins Herlong, a recent inductee into the prestigious Speaker Hall of Fame, Margaret Wheatley, consultant and award winning author, and Pat Williams, a member of the basketball Hall-of-Fame, currently serving as co-founder and senior vice president of the NBA’s Orlando Magic.

On April 3, I together with Provost Conners, Dean Penziul, Victoria Zeppelin, Director of CollegeNow, and Maria Nissi, Associate Director of CollegeNow, hosted Jason Trumble, Principal at Ithaca City High School, and Karen Kiechle, Special Education Teacher, to a lunch meeting to discuss partnership and collaboration between Tompkins Cortland and Ithaca City Schools.

On April 4, Paul Brenner and I met with Steve Gobel, President of the First National Bank of Groton, to discuss possible support for our Child Care Center Endowment Campaign.

On April 5, Provost Conners and I interviewed the third candidate for our Senior Global Officer, Donna Casula. Following the appropriate internal reviews and feedback from the search committee for this position, we subsequently offered Donna the position. She has accepted and will begin at the College on May 1st.

Also on April 5, I provided introductory remarks at the Student Employment Appreciation event held in the Forum.

On April 7, I provided the “Leadership in the Mirror” speech to the PEAKS Leadership Group at Coltivare.

On April 11, I, together with Trustee Schlather and Taylor Reid, TC3 Farm Education Director, traveled to Broome Community College for a meeting of the Southern Tier Regional Community College Council.

On April 13, I provided the “Leadership in the Mirror” speech to the Leadership Tompkins Group in the Forum.

On April 18 – 21, I traveled to New Orleans, Louisiana, to participate in the Higher Education Research Development Institute (HERDI) meeting where I serve on their Board along with 25 other community college presidents from around the country. This is a significant professional development experience for me, with HERDI covering a significant portion of the expenses.

On April 25, the College employees honored me with a celebration of both my upcoming retirement and a wonderful early morning surprise celebration of my birthday.

On April 26, I will provide introductory remarks at the Graduate of Note ceremony where more than 40 awards were presented to graduating students.

Also on April 26, I will provide brief remarks at an event honoring Mary Kelly. Mary Kelly was a founding professor of art and taught at the College for 25 years, retiring in 2000. During her years at Tompkins Cortland, she was honored with numerous recognitions for her extensive work in various art forms. Mary passed away a little over a year ago and her daughter, Susannah, is contributing a number of her renowned pieces of work which will be permanently exhibited at the College.