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TO: Board of Regents

FROM: Dr. Stacy Klippenstein President, Miles Community College

RE: Campus Report for the March 9-10 Board of Regents Meeting

- MCC hosted an Agri-Energy Symposium on Friday, February 3 in conjunction with the 25th annual Miles City Beef Breeder Show. The symposium brought together leaders from Miles Community College, Washington state, Mont Vista Capital, OnSite Energy, and NaturEner to review innovative approaches to work with industry leaders and address workforce needs in the area of agriculture and energy. Miles Community College is planning to provide a solar technologies training and solar panel installation this upcoming summer.
- Miles Community College has taken the steps necessary to become identified as a Special Olympics College in Montana. MCC students Kaitlin Sikes and Amy Blaquiere are leading the initiative from the student side. MCC hosted the Miles City Special Olympics basketball team during half-times of the women's and men's college games this past fall. A Respect Rally will be held in late February and other future activities are planned for the spring. The goal is to bring inclusion and acceptance to the college community. Three components exist to becoming an SO College: youth leadership and advocacy, inclusive sports, and whole school engagement.
- The Miles Community College Ag Advancement Center is nearing completion. The anticipated Grand Opening is scheduled for April 3 and 4. The first event that will be held in the Ag Advancement Center after the Grand Opening will be the Miles Community College rodeo on April 22 and 23.
- Administration from Black Hills State University in Spearfish, South Dakota traveled to MCC's campus in January to launch conversations about articulation agreements in programs including education and business. MCC continues to develop new collaborations for its transfer students with institutions that have complimenting degree pathways.
- Concurrent enrollment counts are in and MCC has enrolled 131 students for 48 FTE this spring semester. This is a 23% increase from last year's headcount and 17.8% increase from last year's FTE.
- The renovation project has begun at the Heavy Equipment/CDL Training Center (formerly the National Guard Armory) that was acquired through grants and private donations last fall. Jackson Contractor Group, Inc. received the bid. The project is scheduled for completion in August 2017 and will be the new home for MCC's Heavy Equipment Operations Program and CDL Program.
- MCC had 88 students on the President's List for Fall 2016. To be eligible for the President's List, students must be enrolled in 12 or more GPA computed credits and maintain a GPA of 3.5 or higher. Within the 88 students, 18 had 4.00 GPAs for Fall 2016.

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