NVC Superintendent/President’s Report

Governing Board Meeting 9.10.2015

Public Relations/Outreach

NASA Awards Grants to Expand STEM Education at Minority Serving Institutions

NASA's Minority University Research and Education Project (MUREP) has selected five educational institutions for cooperative agreement awards totaling $6 million to provide educator training and expand course offerings in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

Congratulations to our own Erin Quealy! She shares, “Our project is called “Rising Data”. We will develop curriculum for community colleges to build, launch, and collect data using drones and rockets. Students will build electronic payloads and record data. The class includes a trip to a rocket launch site where students can test their instruments in action.” Four community colleges were selected to receive MUREP Community College Curriculum Improvement (MC3I) grants, which provide up to $250,000 per year for a maximum of three years.

Transfer Center

Representatives from more than 50 colleges and universities attended Napa Valley College's 41st annual Transfer Day, on the McCarthy Library Plaza. The event is a "one-stop-shop" for attendees to gather information about a variety of higher education options in the Bay Area, statewide, and beyond. Last year, 2,400 people attended Napa Valley College Transfer Day, including 400 from local high schools. In 2014-2015, a record number of Napa Valley College students completed transfer requirements to four year institutions and close to 400 Napa Valley College students transferred directly to University of California and California State University schools, with an additional estimated 90 Napa Valley College students transferring to out-of-state and private four-year degree-granting institutions.
Chancellor’s Office News

Late last month the Chancellor's office released a report by the accreditation task force. The report was brief and to the point and chronicled their collective findings and recommendations. The report was presented to the consultation Council and to the board of governors for information in September. The Chancellor has stated that he agrees with the funding of the task force and understands that regional accreditation is extremely important to us and the public. The report may found on the Chancellor website.

The Chancellor announced that the 2015-16 noncredit student success and support advanced totaling nearly 9,000,000 and is focused on noncredit courses in: ESL, elementary and secondary basic skills, short-term vocational and workforce preparation.

President's Attendance at Selected Community and College Events/Meeting and Ceremonies

August 13: Instructional Excellence Day (Classified lunch & BOT reception)
August 14: Instructional Excellence Day-2 (All Campus Luncheon)
August 16: Japanese Student meeting at Teaching Winery
August 17: First Day of Fall Semester
August 18: Puente Student Cohort Meet & Greet
August 18: Stan Arterberry, President, Solano College
August 18: NVC Foundation-Bill Hardy, President
August 19: NVC Foundation-Quarterly Meeting
August 20: Trustee communications meeting
August 20: Budget Committee meeting
August 21: Vallejo Admirals Baseball Game with staff and Trustee Mancuso
August 24: Norm Mitroff, Community Member
August 25: Brian Wright/TLCD FMP meeting
August 25: Academic Senate Business Meeting
August 26: Rotary
August 26: Jim Brandt, Napa County Wildlife Rescue Center
August 27: ACCJC Team pre-visit meeting
August 27: Mike Thompson-Veteran’s Center
August 27: Club Rush
August 27: Peter DeArmond/Board of Trustee Communication Facilitator
August 27: Final Budget Forum
August 27: American Canyon Welcome Center Grand Opening
August 28: Dave Kearney & Sergio Vallegas/Maker Spaces, NapaLearns
August 28: Paul Gospodarczyk/Ag lab
August 31: NVC Foundation-Ad Hoc meeting, Group for Viticulture Winery Technology Foundation
September 1: NapaLearns/Krause Center for Innovation meeting
September 1: Women's first soccer game
September 1: Campus Alignment Group Sub-Committee Meeting with John Glaser
September 1: EOPS Welcome Back Night
September 1: Trustee communication meeting
September 3: Budget Committee Meeting
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September 4: San Juan School District, Vice Chancellor
September 4: Trustee communication meeting
September 4: Napa County Alliance for Senior Education Group
September 4: BOT Legislative Committee meeting
September 5: Barbara Nemko, County Superintendent of Schools
September 8: NapaLearns Board Meeting
September 8: Napa Leadership, Dorothy Salmon
September 9: Transfer Day
September 9: Rotary
September 9: Patrick Sweeney, NVUSD
September 9: Stan Arterberry, President, Solano College