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TO: Board of Regents

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President, Miles Community College

RE: Campus Report for the March 7-8 Board of Regents Meeting

- The High Class Buckaroo Bash was held on Saturday, February 2. This event, which was held at Miles Community College, is a yearly fundraiser for the men's and women's rodeo team. A dinner and silent and live auctions showcasing various pieces of artwork, jewelry, leatherwork, and more brought in over \$32,000 to help fund rodeo scholarships.
- Miles Community College received a \$5,000 Graduation Matters Grant and will conduct focus group sessions at Custer County District High School (CCDHS) in Miles City to identify why students and parents are not seeing college as an option after high school completion. This research will identify future programming that can be offered to students at CCDHS from Miles Community College to assist with college awareness efforts.
- Miles Community College is currently accepting nominations for this year's Hall of Fame inductee. The Hall of Fame recognizes alumni of Miles Community College who have gone on to represent MCC and themselves in a positive manner. Nominations are being accepted until April. The induction ceremony will take place at Commencement in May.
- MCC will hold Commencement ceremonies on Saturday, May 11 at 10 a.m. The graduation speaker for this year is Phi Theta Kappa Executive Director Dr. Rod A. Risley. The pinning ceremony for the Nursing program will be held the evening of Friday, May 10.

- Jessie Dufner was hired as the Vice President of Student Success and Institutional Research and Erin Niedge became the new Dean of Enrollment Management and Educational Support Services in December.
- Miles Community College's Student Senate donated money to the Miles City Food Bank and donated toys to the Salvation Army for Christmas. The Senate members volunteered for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day at the local after-school club, ROCKS, and donated toys to the program.
- Erin Niedge, Dean of Enrollment Management and Educational Support Services, created and implemented the "Get a GRIP" program. GRIP stands for Grade Recovery in Progress. This program is designed for students who are on academic probation and/or suspension. First-time, full-time freshmen placed on academic probation and any student placed on academic suspension will be required to participate in the "Get a GRIP" program.
- Garth Sleight, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs and Accreditation Liaison Officer, received the Fall 2012 Blue and Silver Award. The Blue and Silver Award is given to one MCC employee each semester nominated by the faculty and staff.