



DATE: Wednesday, April 27, 2016

TO: Board of Regents

FROM: J. Vincent Nix, PhD, Interim President

RE: Campus Report for May 2016 Board of Regents' Meeting

- Dawson Community College is honored to have been selected as one of the top 150 Community Colleges in the Nation in consideration for the Aspen Prize.
- DCC is celebrating its 75th Commencement this spring on May 12; Bozeman businessman Greg Gianforte will deliver the commencement speech. We have a celebratory *thank-you* for our community planned for June also.
- The Associated Student Body hosted the annual DCC Awards Dinner with more than 130 students in attendance. Academic and Athletic Awards were presented following a delicious catered meal. Dr. Nix, Interim President, emceed a fun evening of conversation, laughter and a wide variety of door prizes provided by local businesses.
- The DCC Foundation DOUBLED its scholarship support to DCC students this year!
- DCC Softball's Lady Buccaneers won their fifth straight Mon-Dak Conference championship, finishing 17-1 in the conference and 28-8 overall. They are traveling to Rosemont, MN as the top-seeded team for the Region XIII championship tournament this weekend. The Lady Bucs had winning streaks of 14 and 9 games during the season.
- 2016 graduate survey reported that:
 - 98% are very satisfied and satisfied with preparation for employment.
 - 27% of DCC graduates are going to work after graduation while 73% are transferring to another institution.
 - 98% of DCC graduates are satisfied and very satisfied with advising at DCC.
 - 96% of graduates are satisfied to very satisfied with the DCC core curriculum.
- DCC has completed first round of program review for the 2015/16 AY and is implementing an action plan to address needs.
- DCC's presidential search is progressing as expected, the target date for offering to a candidate is June 20, 2016. Please see <http://nextdawsonpresident.com/> for more information.
- All DCC Trustees re-filed for election to the Board; we are pleased that they are committed to seeing through the continued renewal and reform DCC.
- DCC's Board of Trustees passed approval for continued negotiations with private partners in development of a niche wind-technician program for planned wind-farms in Eastern MT.