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TO: Board of Regents

FROM: Dr. Stacy Klippenstein
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RE: Campus Report for the January 12 Board of Regents Meeting

- The Stockman Bank Challenge has been met. Stockman Bank made a generous contribution to the Ag Advancement Center this past summer. As part of their contribution, Stockman Bank pledged to match all private contributions made to the project up to a total of \$150,000 through October 31, 2016. This was met and resulted in a total of \$300,000 going toward the Ag Advancement Center. To date, the total donations and pledges for the Ag Advancement Center have exceeded \$2.3 million. The Ag Advancement Center is on target to being completed in March 2017.
- Miles Community College is sending a group of Ag students to the 2017 National Young Farmer and Rancher Leadership Conference which is called FUSION this year as it is a joint conference with the Women's Leadership Committee and Promotion and Education Committee of the Farm Bureau. The American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) FUSION Conference will be held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on February 10-13 and will provide MCC students a wonderful opportunity to network and learn about leadership, rural development and entrepreneurship, technology, and many other topics.
- The MCC baseball and volleyball teams have recently signed local, Miles City athletic standouts Jared Bellows (baseball) and Tori Ogolin (volleyball) to their teams for the 2017-2018 seasons. The men's and women's Pioneer basketball teams will open Region IX conference play in January with Western and Central Wyoming.
- MCC closed out 2016 by sending an alumni newsletter to over 1,200 alum. Communication was also sent to local Custer County residents inviting them to view online the College's 2015-2016 Annual Report and the Pioneering Our Vision five year vision document.
- The MCC Buckaroo Bash will be held on Saturday, February 11. The Buckaroo Bash is an annual MCC rodeo scholarship fundraiser that raises over \$30,000 in scholarships each year for the rodeo student-athletes. The event features a live and silent auction, showcase of student-athletes, as well as a catered meal.
- MCC continues to move forward with Jackson Contractor Group, Missoula College, and Dr. Kirk Lacy from the Department of Labor to develop a Construction Technology Apprenticeship Program. The goal of this program would enable apprentices to earn college credit and ultimately a degree from MCC while performing job duties and online coursework.
- MCC expects another solid enrollment for the 2017 spring semester. Expanded retention efforts as well as the implementation of the free dual enrollment pilot at Custer County District High School and Sidney High School are already projecting enrollments that exceed those in the spring of 2016.

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