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TO: Board of Regents

FROM: Dr. Stacy Klippenstein
President, Miles Community College

RE: Campus Report for the March 2019 Board of Regents Meeting

- 101 Miles Community College students were named to the President's Honor list for the Fall 2018 semester. Students taking 12 or more credits who earn a term GPA of 3.5 or higher are eligible for this recognition. 23 of these students earned a 4.0 GPA for the term.
- MCC, thanks to the help of IT Specialist, Carla Cummins, and Associate Dean for Instruction and Distance Learning, Sarah Kloewer, has begun to fully assess compliance with all ADA regulations related to online learning and ITV modalities as well as our website and forms used. Training on creation of accessible forms and materials was conducted for faculty and staff in January.
- The MCC Board of Trustees held a special session on Monday, January 14, to explore issues and address questions and concerns related to the acquisition of the VA hospital property (adjacent to the MCC campus) by Custer County. MCC board members, administration, and many faculty and staff also attended the public meeting held by the County Commissioners on January 8. The Board charged the MCC administration with moving forward in working with the County Commissioners and others to explore and assess potential uses of the property, should the County acquire it.
- Two Miles Community College students were among the ten winners of the Montana Campus Compact George M. Dennison Civic Engagement Scholarship. Rebecca Stein Phipps, of Jordan, MT, is a second year student majoring in Graphic and Web Design, Sales and Marketing, and Accounting. Maria Azucena "Susie" Rodriguez of Manhattan, MT, is a second year student pursuing her Nursing degree.
- Miles Community College has recently been named a CHS Foundation University Partner by the CHS Foundation. As a University Partner, CHS will give MCC \$10,000 in scholarship money that will be given out to deserving students. The mission of the CHS Foundation scholarship program is to provide financial assistance to undergraduate students who are pursuing agriculture-related degrees. Four freshman and four sophomore students will be selected as scholarship recipients and given a \$1,000 scholarship. The remaining \$2,000 will be given to the MCC Young Farmers and Ranchers Club to support their activities.
- The MCC Board of Trustees, at their December 2018 meeting, approved a resolution for the naming of a study room in the Judson H. Flower Library as the "Charles E. Hood Room". Charles (Charlie) E. Hood graduated from Custer County High School and attended MCC (then named Custer County Junior College) in the late 1950s before transferring to the University of Montana, where he finished his degree and ultimately served as the Dean of the School of Journalism. MCC has been gifted many of Charlie's high school and CCJC memorabilia, which include his Custer County Junior College letter for basketball. The Hood room also has many of Charlie's personal belongings, including books, his typewriter, memorabilia from the Navy, and gifts from other countries he collected while at the University of Montana. Charlie's wife, Jana, gifted many of his personal belongings to MCC so they could be displayed and archived in a town he adored. Other personal belongings were donated to the University of Montana Mansfield Library.

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