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TO: Board of Regents

FROM: Dr. Ron Slinger

President, Miles Community College

RE: Campus Report for the September 2022 Board of Regents Meeting

- 140 Miles Community College students were named to the President's List for the Spring 2022 semester. Students who are taking 12 or more credits and maintain a term grade-point average of 3.5 or higher are eligible for this recognition.
- Nearly half of MCC's student athletes were named to the NJCAA All-Academic Team for the 2021-2022 academic year. In additional to the individual academic honors, the Pioneer Athletic Teams also ranked high in the nation for team GPA: Baseball, 3.57 Team GPA (6th in the nation), Softball, 3.68 Team GPA (11th in the nation); Men's Basketball, 3.26 Team GPA (11th in the nation); Volleyball, 3.57 Team GPA (19th in the nation); Women's Basketball, 3.43 Team GPA (26th in the nation).
- Carl D. Mottram, Associate Professor of Medicine at Mayo Clinic, was honored as the 2022 Miles Community College Distinguished Alumni Award Recipient at the College commencement ceremonies in May. Mottram earned his Associate of Arts degree at MCC before enrolling in the Rochester Community College/Mayo Clinic respiratory therapy program, where he earned an Associate of Applied Science degree. He also received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Winona State University. This led to a successful professional career, highlighted by reaching the academic rank of Associate Professor of Medicine. He is the only individual to receive this rank without an advanced or doctoral degree in the 150-year history of Mayo Clinic. Professor Mottram is the author and editor of Ruppel's Manual of Pulmonary Function Testing which is recognized worldwide as the definitive textbook in the field of pulmonary diagnostics.
- Miles Community College, in partnership with Cyber Montana, held a four-day Cyber STEM Camp on the college campus July 11-14. Open to junior high and high school-aged children, the educational camp tacked subjects such as cybersecurity, network/information defense, and security principles by incorporating competitions, hands-on projects, games, and other learning resources. Cyber Montana is a statewide initiative providing cybersecurity awareness, training, and workforce development for businesses, students, and residents of Montana. The organization strives to be part of the solution to the nation's shortfall of skilled cybersecurity professionals, ensuring that enough young people are inspired to utilize their talents in cybersecurity is critical to the future of our country's national and economic security. 15 area students participated in the camp.
- As part of this year's 9/11 National Day of Service and MCC Welcome Wagon, Miles Community College Students will be collecting monetary donations to purchase and create gift boxes for local and area first responders. Each year, MCC hosts a variety of activities for college students during Welcome Wagon week, held when students arrive on campus for the start of the fall semester. During Welcome Wagon, student groups including the Associated Students of Miles Community College (ASMCC) host the fundraising event Fill the Wagon, choosing a new charity focus each year. This year, MCC students, along with AmeriCorps staff members, will be using donations to create gift boxes for first responders, in honor of the Sept. 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance. These gift boxes will include snacks and goodies and will be delivered to Miles City fire, police, sheriff, dispatchers, and staff.

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