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TO: Board of Regents

FROM: Dr. Ron Slinger
President, Miles Community College

RE: Campus Report for the January 2026 Board of Regents Meeting

- Miles Community College is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Dimitria A. Harding, DBA, Ed.D., as Vice President of Academic Affairs. Dr. Harding was selected through a comprehensive national search, and replaces Vice President Dr. Rita Kratky, who retired at the end of 2025 after 10 years of service to MCC. Dr. Harding brings more than two decades of experience across community colleges and technical institutions nationwide. Most recently, she served as the Provost and Chief Campus Officer of the Perry Health Sciences Campus at Wake Technical and Community College in Raleigh, North Carolina. Her prior leadership roles include Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs at Anoka Technical College in Anoka, Minnesota, and Dean of Health Sciences as well as Dean of Career and Technical Education at South Central College in Faribault and North Mankato, Minnesota. Dr. Harding has also taught extensively in Allied Health, Medical Administration, Healthcare Management, and Healthcare Leadership programs. Dr. Harding holds dual doctorates: a Doctorate in Business Administration from the University of the Potomac and a Doctorate of Education in Organizational Leadership from Argosy University. She also earned a Master of Science in Community Health Professions and a Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences from Old Dominion University. Dr. Harding maintains active involvement in several professional organizations dedicated to advancing community college leadership and career and technical education. She has also completed prestigious leadership fellowships with the AGB Institute for Leadership and Governance, Advance CTE, and the Thomas Lakin Institute for Mentored Leadership.
- MCC student and Pioneer Volleyball team member Cameron (Cami) Blevins was recently recognized by the Montana Campus Network for Civic Engagement and honored with a Montana Athlete in Service Award. Each year the Network recognizes one student-athlete from each affiliate campus who has dedicated their efforts to serving the community while also pursuing their college degrees/certificates and participating in college sports. Blevins, a sophomore student from Shelby, Montana, is majoring in science at MCC. Her community service includes coaching youth swim and volleyball, teaching religious education classes, assisting with summer programs, providing public assistance, and volunteering through the MCC Pioneer Food Pantry on campus. "I really feel honored and grateful to receive this award," stated Blevins. "I felt very proud to be able to represent MCC at the Cat/Griz game; it was such a cool experience! It makes me incredibly proud to be a Pioneer!"
- With support from the Associated Students of Miles Community College (ASMCC), a brave group of MCC student leaders and student athletes were "Freezin' for a Reason", jumping into a pool of icy water at the Polar Plunge at the Miles City Christmas Stroll on December 5. The Polar Plunge is a signature event of the Law Enforcement Torch Run, organized and led by LETR officers and dedicated volunteers. The fundraiser supports Special Olympics Montana.

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