

BOARD REPORT

September 2017



ACCREDITATION UPDATE

A draft of the Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER) has been completed. The introduction and standards I and II have been approved by the Senates and College Council. Standards III and IV are awaiting approval in September. The Quality Focus Essay (QFE) will be presented to College Council and the Senates during September.

The entire ISER will be presented to the State Center Community College District Board of Trustees for first read in October 2017 with the second read scheduled for November 2017. Following approval from the BOT, it is anticipated that the ISER will be sent to ACCJC in January 2018.

Our accreditation visit is scheduled for March 5-8, 2018.

REEDLEY MIDDLE COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

- RMCHS students began their college courses on Monday, August 14, and their high school classes began on Wednesday, August 16 with a total of 180 students.
- Five students attended the Youth Leadership Institute held from August 7-9 at Camp Sierra in Big Creek. Attendees included Desiree Barajas, Raul Mata, Ivan Maldonado, Liliana Rivera, and Thomas Pennebaker.
- 12th grade students Jeremy Hammond and Miranda Lopez attended Camp Royal. The Reedley Rotary Club sponsored their attendance to this yearly leadership event.
- Five students participated in the Annual Discover Health Program by Adventist Health. Students Karina Carrillo, Josette Gonzalez, Aireyana Hernandez, Jannifer Hernandez, and Jose Ramirez each served more than 50 volunteer hours and attended workshops throughout the summer months.

KUDOS

Local Gallery Displays MCCC Instructor's Art

In August, Madera Community College Center art instructor Steve Norton exhibited some of his creations at Gallery 25 in Fresno. He displayed a few old favorites and three new pieces from his Vintage Pop series. These large scale canvas works are digital constructions made from vintage and antique ephemera.

RC Instructor Named to Statewide Committee

RC English instructor Emily Berg, who serves as the RC Academic Senate State Representative, has been named to the statewide 2017-2018 ASCCC Standards and Practices Committee. The committee will work on the Disciplines List Revision Process, and the committee will be overseeing the work of task forces charged with implementing Strong Workforce Task Force recommendations around minimum qualifications for CTE faculty.

ACTIVITIES

RC Residence Hall Begins New Semester

The RC Residence Hall welcomed 167 students to their new home for the fall semester. Some that traveled the farthest to attend RC include Andres Costas from Bolivia, George Gennings from England, John Jamison, Ethan Gun, and Cohen Blythe from Australia, and Adam Nelson and Wil Eady from New Zealand. All residents will be able to participate in many Residence Hall activities throughout the semester. The first month of activities included a room mate game on August 23, a meet the players night/ice cream social on August 27, and birthday social on August 30. Every Friday residents will also have a movie night.



SLO Goals for 2017-2018

The SLO Committee will assess ILOs using both internal and external data during 2017-2018 to determine gaps and for continuous quality improvement. These will include: eLumen Training, ILO/PLO/SLO mapping in eLumen, SLO Assessment Best Practices Webinars, CCSSE Benchmark Professional Development workshops, ongoing Advisory Board Surveys, Alumni Tracking, Support 1Book/1College efforts, and Update COA.

RC Honors Program Welcomes Back Students

The RC Pete P. Peters Honors Program welcomed in the new school year by enjoying a BBQ on campus on August 14. President Dr. Sandra Caldwell, VP of Instruction Dale Van Dam, and Dean of Instruction Dr. Todd Davis greeted the new and returning Honors students along with the majority of the Honors faculty and staff.

On September 1, the Honors Advisory Council was honored with a visit from Bay Honors Consortium President Jennifer Saito and Modesto Junior College Honors Coordinator Eva Mo, also a leader in the Bay Honors Consortium. The two advised the council on how to help more RC students successfully apply to the annual Consortium.

1Book/1College

The 1Book/1College selection this academic year is Rebecca Skloot's *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*. Books were distributed to faculty and staff during the first week of classes, and due to overwhelming interest, more books were ordered and given to student leaders. Activities related to the book will take place throughout the next two semesters, including a visit from members of the Lacks family in March. 1Book/1College is sponsored by the SLO Committee with support from the Reedley College Literary Arts and many other campus programs.

Additional Bookstore Hours Held at OCCC and MCCC

Students at Oakhurst Community College Center enjoyed having a bookstore on their campus for the first time. Instead of having to shop online or at MCCC, students made purchases on campus from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, August 18.

Students at the MCCC also took advantage of a one-time opportunity to buy books and supplies on a Saturday. The bookstore was open from 10 am. to 2 p.m. on August 19.



Classes View Solar Eclipse

The solar eclipse on August 21 inspired many student activities on the MOR campuses.

Dr. Frank Yancey at the Oakhurst Community College Center coordinated a viewing with STEM students.

MCCC had several instructors using the eclipse as part of their classroom activities.

The Reedley College Physics/Astronomy department set up telescopes, binoculars, solar tracking equipment, pin-hole projectors and cereal box “cameras,” and provided safe viewing glasses. Students tracked the eclipse from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The event was so popular that students from neighboring classes also waited in line to safely view the sun, along with other faculty, staff, and administrators.

Scholarship Nights

The Annual Scholarship Awards and Reception will be held September 12 at Reedley College and September 14 at the Madera Community College Center, both starting at 6 p.m. with a donor and recipient social. A total of 163 RC students will be awarded scholarships totaling \$73,450. For MCCC and OCCC, a total of \$24,850 will be awarded to 31 students from both centers.

Guided Pathways Project Institute #1

As one of the partners in the California Guided Pathways Project, the Center for Community College Student Engagement will host a series of six Pathways Institutes for a select group of 20 colleges. Institute #1: *Leadership for Transformational Change: Implementing Pathways at Scale* will take place September 17-19 in Costa Mesa. There will also be pre-institute sessions on *Metrics for Monitoring Student Progress Through Pathways* and *Aligning Student Success Efforts Under the Guided Pathways Framework*. MOR attendees include RC President

Dr. Sandra Caldwell, VP of Student Services Renee Craig-Marius, MCCC Dean of Instruction Ganesan Srinivasan, RC Dean of Instruction Marie Harris, RC Academic Senate President/Grants Coordinator Stephanie Curry, Matriculation Coordinator Michelle Stricker, and MCCC faculty member Dr. Richardson Fleuridor.

Pizza with the President

Dr. Caldwell will host two sessions of Pizza with the President in September. The first session, at Reedley College, will be Wednesday, September 20, in the Learning Center. MCCC students are invited to attend Tuesday, September 26 in the MCCC Learning Center. More sessions are scheduled throughout the semester, including an October session at Oakhurst Community College Center. The event provides an opportunity to directly communicate with students and hear about their needs and successes.

RC Constitution Week

The 4th Annual Reedley College Constitution Week will be held Thursday, September 21 and Friday, September 22. The two-day event will be packed with speakers and panels including a law enforcement panel, district attorney panel, elections panel, and judiciary panel. The event will conclude with keynote speak David Webb, host on SiriusXM Patriot 125 and contributor to Fox News, Breitbart News, and Columnist for *The Hill*. He will speak on September 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Center.

ATHLETICS

Football Open Practice

The public was invited to the RC Football First Fruits event which took place on Saturday, August 12. The event featured a BBQ, fundraiser, player meet and greet, and film session with the football coaches. The team’s home opener against Hartnell College will be Saturday, September 23 at 4 p.m. at Reedley High School.

Tennis Hosts Tournament

RC tennis hosted the Inaugural Alumni Tennis Tournament on Saturday, August 19. There were 10 men’s doubles team and six women’s doubles teams. At least one of the doubles partners had to be a Tiger tennis alumnus. The men’s final champions were Daryl Barsoom and Patrick Smith, and the women’s final champions were Kiana and Midori Fujioka.

Competitive Soccer Begins at Reedley College

After much anticipation, Reedley College’s first-ever women’s soccer team played in their first game, at home, on September 1 against Victor Valley College. They followed up with a second home game on September 4 again Mendocino College. Home games are played at the Immanuel Sports Complex. The Lady Tigers will take on Fresno City College on Friday, September 29 at 12 p.m.

Former RC Athlete in the National Spotlight

Former quarterback Josh Allen, who played as a Tiger in 2014, has started his senior year at the University of Wyoming. Allen, a Firebaugh native, is gaining national attention as numerous NFL scouts have rated him a potential first round draft pick in 2018.

