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TO: Board of Regents

FROM: Stefani Hicswa
President, Miles Community College

RE: Campus Report for the November 18 – 19 Board of Regents' Meeting

- No formal activities were held this year for Indian Heritage Day which fell on the fourth Friday of September. Rather the day was used to kickoff the creation of a Hall of Nations display which will be located in the hallway just outside the library. The display will contain flags from all of the Indian Nations who formally call Montana home. Information and pictures representing the eight separate nations will educate and inform current students, staff, faculty and guests. The exhibit is tentatively scheduled for completion in Mid November.
- Miles Community College is in the 36th week of Banner implementation. The Banner Team, together with SGHE consultant Linda Wooden, is finalizing the training schedule for the additional consulting hours that were procured. In addition to planning for the immediate additional financial needs in relation to banner implementation, the team is developing a plan to handle the ongoing financial support of Banner operations and network connectivity.
- The Miles Community College Educator's Conference was held on campus October 21-22. Area educators participated in a variety of professional development classes including one by MCC President Stefani Hicswa titled *Dilemmas of Ethical Teaching: How Good Instructors make Tough Choices*.
- The MCC Endowment organized two open houses in October. The first one was to give the community an opportunity to meet the new Vice President of Administration and Finance, Lisa Watson. The second one was a ribbon cutting ceremony recognizing the completion of the new science lab. In addition to the open houses, the MCC endowment hosted the 2nd annual Main Event "Night of Knowledge". The Main Event is the college's annual fundraiser. The evening consisted of dinner, variety show by students and testimonials from alumni.
- Janet Hartmann has been hired as the new Distance Education and Community Outreach (DECO) Director.

- The MCC Bookstore has officially changed its name to the Pioneer Mercantile. In an effort to go from a traditional bookstore to a more inclusive campus store a name change was in order. The name was chosen through a vote by the student body.
- Jeff Brabant has been hired as the Head Men's Baseball Coach. Jeff had served as the assistant Baseball Coach under Head Coach Rob Bishop who resigned in August to take the same position at MSU-Billings.
- Flags have been raised to represent the countries of our freshman international students. They are displayed on poles purchased by the MCC Student Senate located on the south lawn of the campus. Countries represented include Nigeria, Canada, France, and Croatia.