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TO: Board of Regents  
FROM: Dr. Stacy Klippenstein  
President, Miles Community College  
RE: Campus Report for the May 21-22 Board of Regents Meeting

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- Tiffany Benner, a Miles Community College sophomore from Plevna, Montana, has been named a 2015 Coca-Cola New Century Scholar. Fifty community college students from the United States and American Samoa have been named 2015 New Century Scholars – receiving a total of \$100,000 in scholarships. Tiffany will graduate in May 2015 with her associate of science degree with an emphasis in business. Tiffany, along with Miles Community College sophomore, Shelby O’Toole, have also been named to the Phi Theta Kappa All Montana Academic Team which recognizes high achieving two-year college students who demonstrate academic excellence and intellectual rigor combined with leadership and service that extends their education beyond the classroom to benefit society. Shelby, who is from Froid, Montana, will also graduate in May with her associate of science degree with an emphasis in business. Kristy Atwood, MCC’s business instructor, is the advisor of the College’s Phi Theta Kappa organization and has had multiple students receive the Coca-Cola New Century Scholar Scholarship during her service as the advisor.
- The Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) conducted their Year Seven Peer Evaluation visit of Miles Community College April 22– 24. The accreditation visit went well and the draft report will be made available to Miles Community College on May 5. President Stacy Klippenstein will then go before the Board of Commissioners on June 24 to review and respond to the findings and recommendations of the evaluation team. Sometime in July the NWCCU will officially notify MCC of its accreditation status on the basis of the Year Seven Evaluation.
- MCC hosted a meeting with the Montana Apprenticeship and local contractors to discuss the creation and enhancement of a construction trades program to meet the needs of regional contractors and Montana Apprenticeship protocol.
- Miles Community College continues to move forward with Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) agreements including for-credit training sessions and memorandums of understanding with regional health services and hospitals to improve CNA training as part of TAACCCT 4.
- MCC will hold its 75<sup>th</sup> commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 9 at 10 a.m. Including December graduates, there will be 104 students who will receive degrees from MCC this year. Regional writer, Russell Rowland, is this year’s speaker. Mr. Wayne Hirsch will be awarded the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame Award. Mr. Hirsch graduated from MCC in 1971 and is currently the President of the Mountain States Division for U.S. Bank.

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