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TO: Board of Regents

FROM: Ron Slinger

President, Miles Community College

RE: Campus Report for the September 2021 Board of Regents Meeting

- o 138 Miles Community College students were named to the President's List for earning a 3.5 GPA or higher during the Spring 2021 term. 36 of those students earned a 4.0 GPA. Additionally, the Miles Community College athletic programs led the MonDak Conference with 86 academic all-conference selections for the 2020-21 school year. A 3.0 or higher GPA for all eligible student athletes is required for the award. 48 student athletes were named Academic All-Americans.
- Miles Community College continues to prioritize the development of seamless transfer opportunities for its students. MCC recently signed new transfer articulation agreements with Montana Tech in Electrical, Mechanical, and Civil Engineering. Existing agreements in Business Administration with MSU Billings were also recently revisited and updated.
- The Miles Community College Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Training Program has launched a revised curriculum for Fall 2021 and has completed all steps to become listed on the Training Provider Registry of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), in advance of the February 2022 FMCSA Entry Level Driver Training mandates going into effect.
- O Miles Community College was recently named an Assessment and Impact Awards in Housing and Residence Life winner. The award, given by Skyfactor Benchworks, a Macmillan Learning company, recognized MCC for its ongoing commitment to creating a positive residence life experience for students through use of data-driven programs. The Assessment and Impact Award for Residence Life was established in 2019 to recognize colleges that demonstrate intentionality in using insights from data to improve their residence life programs. The winners were selected this spring by Macmillan Learning's Analytics & Research Team, who analyzed multiple years of data from the ACUHO-I/Benchworks Resident Assessment to identify programs with both consistently high scores and significant improvements in survey scores.
- O Miles Community College was recently selected as a participant in the second cohort for Project Vision, a National Science Foundation (NSF) project aimed at two-year colleges. The project was created to provide selected schools with development and resources to apply for grants and funding under the Division of Undergraduate Education (DUE) program. Project Vision's mission is to provide two-year diverse, small, rural colleges, and/or colleges with newer Presidents the expertise to generate innovative ideas that produce award-worthy NSF proposals. It will offer support at all levels of a college ecosystem including Board of Trustees, president, administrators, faculty, and staff. Project Vision will also provide each college the support needed to build up their capacity and to regularly submit proposals, as deemed appropriate, to the ATE Program and other DUE Programs.
- Miles Community College President Ron Slinger was recently appointed to the American Association of Community Colleges Commission on Small and Rural Colleges.

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