

## *Executive Summary*

*Gateway Community and Technical College  
Board of Directors Meeting – January 30, 2006  
Boone Campus  
Florence, Ky.*

### **Meeting Highlights:**

#### ▪ **Chairman's Report**

Chairman Jordan welcomed visitors and invited Vice Chair Carol Rich to report on the comments from the meeting evaluations from the previous meeting.

#### ▪ **President's Report**

Items to note:

- The college community collected over \$2,500 in cash donations as well as a van full of personal items for the **Richardson family** whose home was destroyed during Hurricane Katrina. Ms. Amy Monson and her husband, Dick delivered the items on December 27, 2005 to the family.
- A new class of **registered nurses** was admitted to the January term. The first RN class will graduate this May.
- Dr. Angie Taylor, Vice President, reported that Gateway will partner with the Workforce Investment Board, the Kentucky Department of Transportation, and Brighton Center to offer a 15-week training program in **heavy equipment** (road construction) beginning February 27 at the Park Hills Center.
- Gateway and NKU business department faculty have been meeting to discuss the **transfer of GCTC business classes**. Three basic business and accounting classes offered at GCTC will be accepted directly into the NKU business degree option.
- Dr. Dale Myers, College Provost, reported that **Spring 2006 enrollment** is up 18.4% to 1,768, compared to Spring 2005. Student credit hours increased 23% to 16,136. Average student load is 9.1 credit hours, compared to 8.8 a year ago. Tess Fredwest, student member, said overall **student reaction** to new enrollment processes was positive. However, high risk students do better with face-to-face contact.
- Dr. Hughes reported on **expansion plans** and presented renderings of the Edgewood expansion and **Phase II of the Boone Campus**. Governor Fletcher's budget included \$26.5 million for Phase II. The RFP calls for a 144,000-square-foot facility at a cost of \$36.6 million. Local manufacturers and community leaders have urged support for the facility to spur economic development and job creation. The **Edgewood Campus** expansion Phase A design is complete; Phase B with detailed schematics with current technology will be completed over the next 45 days. Construction should begin in August 2006, with an anticipated occupancy for spring 2008.
- Dr. Michelle Deeley, Assistant Professor and COE Chairperson, reported that the **COE** steering committee is on track for the COE visit in April. The working document has been posted on the intranet, and the self-study book is complete. The visiting chair, Dr. Linda

Barrow, will be here March 1 and 2 to preview the report and confirm that Gateway is ready for the April visit.

- Margaret Thomson, Director of Public Relations, reported that **program brochures** are being completed for each program, with the help of three student interns, and should be printed within the next 60 to 90 days. The schedule conforms to the needs of the COE process (to have them ready or in the pipeline by the April visit). Ms. Toni Bloom, VCA instructor, designed the brochure design template. Printing Instructor Henry Bang will print the brochures.
- Dr. Hughes reported that dialogue is continuing with the City of Covington to locate an **urban campus** in Covington. It will require a partnership to build a facility in which Gateway would likely lease from the owner(s).
- A presentation was made by Eric Turner, **Increasing Access S.O.A.R. Team** Leader. Andrew Washington is the team's Co-Leader, and Dr. Jack Lundy serves as the PLT Liaison. The team is focusing on data collection and demographics (Steve Popple leads this subgroup); student transportation; orientation programs; and health-related programming, all as a means to increase student access.
- The Board's **evaluation of the President** must be completed by the end of April or the first of May and submitted to Dr. McCall at the KCTCS office by the end of May.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Laura Cook, Vice President for Development and External Affairs, reported on the progress of the upcoming **Capital Campaign**. The case for support is being developed; a timeline has been established; a feasibility study will begin in April; and the campaign should kick off later in the year, depending on the results of the feasibility study. This study includes interviews with community leaders and will help determine the direction of the campaign.
- Ms. Cook announced that a scholarship benefit in memory of **Scott Weingartner** will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2006 from 5 – 9 p.m. at Dickman's Sports Café in Ft. Wright, KY. A Gateway nursing student, Scott was killed in a traffic accident last fall. His father, Gary Weingartner, is establishing a scholarship fund in Scott's name at Gateway. Donation forms were distributed to those present.
- Rick Robinson, Gateway Foundation member, is leading a group to target key members of the legislature regarding the **legislative session**. Board members may receive periodic requests to contact key legislators to deliver key messages regarding legislative issues. Dr. Hughes will make periodic trips to Frankfort and will attend the Chamber-sponsored Washington, D.C., Fly In on February 8 – 9, 2006, in support of Gateway's legislative agenda.

## **Announcements**

The next board meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 20. The COE site visit will occur April 11-14. Commencement exercises are scheduled for Thursday, May 18, at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center.