



President's Report May 21, 2007

Special Activities-SACS

- The college received the final written report from the Candidacy Committee and provided a response to the report focusing on the progress made on Core Requirement 2.9 relating to Library and Information Services. The report was submitted May 1 to a different committee of the Commission for review and recommendation to the full Commission in June. The Commission meets the week of June 18 and will make the decision on Gateway's Candidacy at that time. Once admitted to candidacy, the college will conduct an extensive self-study and a compliance review, followed by an accreditation visiting committee coming to the college for an extensive on-site review. Their report will be forwarded to the full Commission for final approval to be accredited by SACS. The college will have to complete the process within a 24-month timeframe.

Increasing Access

- Discussions are continuing with appropriate agencies and organizations to finalize the development of a new Urban Campus that will eventually replace the Amsterdam Road and Park Hills Campus. The proposed \$21.0 million center is the college's top new construction priority and will be presented as part of the KCTCS capital projects in the 2008 Kentucky General Assembly. The center is expected to serve 2,500 students from the urban core, over 15 times the number now served by GCTC.
- The college's Cosmetology Department is launching a new "Nail Technician" program in the summer semester. In addition, college officials have met with several P & G departments to explore a range of potential partnerships involving product research and developing a model demonstration salon for hair care products.
- Enrollment in the Business Career Pathway Operations Management Certificate has included 90 students in three company locations as a way to "take the classes to the students". The three locations and students follow:

Citigroup: 40 new students

Thomson Learning: 30 new students

IRS – Accounting classes: 20 new students

- The college offered various continuing education programs for professionals who are required to complete so many “Continuing Education Units” or CEUs in order to maintain their respective licensures. These programs are coordinated through the Business and Industry Services unit. To date, the following CEU programs have been conducted:

Cosmetology: 190 served
Heating and Air Conditioning: 229 served
Electrical: 497 served

Strengthening Regional Economic Development

- Gateway Community and Technical College’s capital project for the \$28.6 million Center for Advanced Manufacturing Competitiveness (Phase II) Boone Campus has completed approximately 25% of the schematic design. This entails the development of detailed plans and blueprints in preparation for bid. Schematic design will be completed in September or October. Staff members are meeting with equipment and furnishing consultants to select the furnishing and equipment for the facility. Initial plans call for the completion of the 104,000 square-foot facility by spring 2009.
- The college has begun the implementation of the KCTCS Interactive Digital Center (IDC), better known as a Visualization Center, at the Boone Campus. The Center will utilize the latest in three-dimensional technologies and will focus on two main areas. First, it will be a demonstration site for the development of multi-dimensional software programs for businesses and industries desiring simulations. Second, the Center will become a site for the development and use of multi-dimensional technology for teaching and learning, including web-learning and training. A business plan and funding have been secured to launch the Center in the spring. A System grant for over \$500,000 in equipment and personnel will enable the Center to be equipped and staffed. A search for the Center Director has begun and will be completed by the end of June.
- The college will host two workshops for high school counselors this summer aimed at giving them information about careers in manufacturing and related industries. The workshops are being supported in part by TRI-ED. This is another effort to assist in the recruitment of students into these high skill, high wage jobs.
- The college hosted its second Manufacturing and Engineering Open house at the Boone Campus with 10 companies providing information booths and monetary support. Over 100 visitors attended the event and most were there to gain specific information on the college’s programs and services.

Developing Partnerships

- The college's Business and Industry Services department continues to develop partnerships with various companies for training. To date, GCTC has been able to secure \$943,638 in WINS funding to support the training needs for the following companies:

A-Carb	Northern KY Water District
Carl Zeiss	Sachs Automotive of America
Citi	Thomson Learning
Eagle	Toyota Engineers
Fuji	Toyota Georgetown
Holland Roofing	Toyota Erlanger
Image Point	Verst Group Logistics
L'Oreal	Progress Rail
Meyer Tool	NKY Sanitation District
NACAM/ZF Steering	

- The College continues as the primary sponsor of a new ICN6 show "**Leading Businesses** Leading Communities". As the sponsor, the college's name is used in over 500 monthly advertising spots on ICN6. In addition, 110 TANK buses have advertising with the college's name prominently displayed. The college will be featured in a four-minute segment in the Chamber show, "Leading Businesses Leading Communities," that will air on ICN 6 during the month of June. **Dr. Angie Taylor** will discuss workforce education, the Kentucky Employability Certificate, and Gateway's Career Pathways. Stock footage taped for the segment (at no cost to Gateway) will highlight manufacturing programs.
- Gateway's B.E.S.T. partnership with Sixth District Elementary won "Best of the B.E.S.T." honors at a recent Chamber meeting celebrating the partnership program. The college, which won outstanding partnership last year, was selected as having the most outstanding partnership over the past five years. **Sharon Poore** has chaired the Gateway's partnership team for the past three years. Gateway managed the "Century at Sixth" celebration to observe the school's 100th anniversary. A team of Gateway employees, led by event chairman **Steve Popple**, helped plan and execute a very successful evening attended by school students, their parents, faculty, staff, administration, alums, and retirees.
- The Recover Kentucky Women's Center that will be operated by Brighton Center for the Commonwealth has begun construction on property just north of the campus off Weaver Road. The college is working with Brighton Center on a revised application for the second phase of the project, Scholar House.

Capacity Building

- Hemmer Industries, the contractor for the Allied Health Sciences Center at the Edgewood Campus, has made substantial progress for the new center. Major site work is approximately 97% complete, with the building under roof.

Exterior brick work will begin in the next 30 days. The construction superintendent remains hopeful that the project will be completed ahead of the scheduled spring 2008 date.

- Newly elected members to the Board of Directors, who will take office this summer, are as follows:
 - Student Representative, **Melisa Bissonnette**
 - Staff Representative, **Cindy Sproehnle**, Director, Assessment Center
 - Faculty Representative, **Dee Wright**, Assistant Professor, Machine Tool

Securing Financial Resources

- The Major Gifts Campaign continues its planning for the campaign with Campaign Management meetings. The committee is chaired by **Lee Flischel** and composed of **Rick Jordan, Laura Cook, Ed Hughes, Margaret Thomson, Kandi Deitemeyer, Angie Taylor, Doug Roberts, Steve Popple, Dick Tapke, and Tim Rawe**. **Ray Clements** serves as campaign consultant. The committee is charged with reviewing and setting the plan of the campaign and will oversee the campaign until a campaign leadership committee is recruited and established.
 - The internal campaign conducted a kick-off at the college-wide convocation on March 30.
 - The internal campaign has thus far received 100% participation from our administration, Chamber employees, Highland Heights, and Edgewood Campuses.
 - Tim Rawe has agreed to chair the Board Division of the campaign.
 - Dick Tapke has agreed to chair the Prospect Evaluation Committee.
- The college completed the Strategic Needs Analysis (SNA) process that prioritizes the identified needs of departments and units of the college. The SNA process is used to allocate resources and identify gaps in funding where grants and private funding can be used to support needs. The SNA is the basis for the college's biennial budget request as well as the annual budget request that will be presented to the Board in May for endorsement. A copy of the 30-page report was provided to Board members at the March meeting.
- The college has applied for a \$100,000 gift from the Schell Loan Fund administered by Fifth Third Bank. We would receive \$25,000 per year for four years beginning this summer. This allows us to give our students interest-free loans. The students repay the loans to us, we return that money to the Schell Fund once per year, and they turn around and present it to us to use for additional students.

- The Foundation Board has added **Helen Carroll, Alice Sparks, and Steve Stevens** to its membership.
- Turfway Park has presented the college with a check for \$2,000 from the sale of the commemorative Lane's End posters. They were designed by Gateway student Bill Fox. The funds raised will be applied to scholarships for Visual Communications students.

Student Success

- The college awarded 745 credentials to a record 648 students in commencement ceremonies on Thursday, May 17 at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center.
- **Valerie L. Bush** and **Jeffrey D. Sheeran** were named to the KCTCS All-Academic Team and honored at the team luncheon in Lexington on May 15. Valerie graduates with an associate degree in nursing, and Jeff graduated with an associate of applied science degree in business.
- The National Technical Education Honor Society inducted 40 students into the college's chapter on May 3 during a ceremony at the Edgewood Campus. Helen Carroll, GCTC Foundation Board member and Toyota Executive, delivered the keynote speech.
- Gateway's second class of 41 associate degree nurses participated in a pinning ceremony on May 15 and graduated Thursday evening at commencement ceremonies. The pinning ceremony was dedicated to the memory of the late Scott Weingartner, a class member who was killed in an auto accident in 2005. Scott's father, Gary, attended the ceremony. The nursing scholarship fund created by Gary in Scott's memory will award its first scholarship this fall.

Celebrating Excellence

- The college recognized more than 100 outstanding students in its first-ever awards convocation on May 9 during "A Night of Excellence" ceremony conducted at the Carnegie Visual and Performing Arts Center. Students were nominated by faculty members on the basis of grade point average, leadership, technical excellence, attitude, and ethics. In addition to departmental and overall program awards, 32 scholarship recipients, 39 National Technical Honor Society inductees, and 14 members of the Phi Rho Pi speech honorary society were recognized. The event was sponsored by the Gateway Community and Technical College Foundation and planned by an employee team led by **Laura Cook**.
- **Karen Volz**, professor of visual communication at Gateway Community and Technical College, has been selected as Teacher of the Year by the Campbell County Rotary Club. Volz accepted the award at a luncheon in her honor on May 9.

- **Chad Grooms**, Assistant Professor of Business, and **RuthAnne Kolumba**, Student Affairs staff member and chair of the staff, were selected by students as the recipients of the second annual Student Choice Award for faculty and staff members, respectively. The award, developed by students last year, honors the faculty and staff members that students believe offer the most outstanding service to students.
- **Sharon Poore**, Executive Assistant to the President, was selected the first Administrative Professional of the Year for Northern Kentucky by the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.
- **Dale Meyer**, grant writer for the college, has been selected to present a program at the May 23-25 Council for Resource Development Conference in San Antonio, Texas. Her topic is successful grant proposals.

Investing in Employees

- The eight participants in the LEAD (Leadership, Enrichment, and Development) Program that began last September, completed their program in May with a graduation dinner at the Metropolitan Club hosted by the GCTC Foundation. The program is an outgrowth of the SOAR process that requested a formal program be implemented to provide training in leadership. **Rebecca Moening**, Interim Dean of Academic Affairs, and **Dr. Angie Taylor**, Vice President for Business and Industry Services, are providing staff support and leadership for LEAD.

Priorities for President – Past Quarter

Activities were focused on the following:

- Monitored the construction process for the Allied Health Sciences Center and initiated the equipment listing as part of the major gifts campaign.
- Completion of the SACS candidate report.
- Conducted Evening of Excellence, Commencement, Nurse Pinning ceremonies, and successfully conclude the spring semester.
- Completed a revision of purchasing processes and Procard procedures.
- Initiated the search process for the Vice President for Business Affairs.
- Completion of the first two phases of the design for the Center for Advanced Manufacturing Competitiveness, with a focus on the needed equipment as part of the major gifts campaign.
- Continued the internal major gifts campaign and continued the executive awareness sessions with key leaders and potential contributors.
- Completed the new budgeting process with a new interim CFO that yielded a balanced budget.
- Completed the re-visioning process that will lead to a revised strategic plan.

Priorities of President – Next Quarter

Activities will be focused on the following:

- Complete the schematic design process for the Center for Advanced Manufacturing Competitiveness.
- Secure additional recurring funding in the college budget from KCTCS.
- Continue to work with Congressmen Davis and Senators McConnell and Bunning to secure Department of Labor funding in the Federal Budget.
- Complete the search process for the Vice President for Business Affairs.
- Complete the new strategic planning process designed to create a strategic plan to 2010 and present to the Board of Directors in the fall.
- Complete the hiring of a CFO and reorganization of Academic and Student Affairs.
- Complete the restructuring of the Entrepreneurial Center concept.
- Complete biennial and annual budget process and present to the Board of Directors.
- Secure state legislation to secure the Urban Campus site.
- Participation in Board meeting of the Institute for Community College Development (ICCD) in New York.
- Complete the hiring of new faculty and staff to begin the academic year.