

**President's Report
May 22, 2008**

Special Activities-SACS

Compliance teams composed of 63 employees continue to work through an extensive self-study and a compliance audit that will be completed by the end of May 2008 for the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). Our status on completion of these 72 narratives, as of May 9, is as follows:

- 96% of narratives have gone through the 1st draft with the GCTC SACS Compliance Team
- 88% of narratives have gone through the 2nd draft with the GCTC SACS Compliance Team
- 65% of narratives have gone through the KCTCS review
- 43% of narratives are complete and awaiting final editorial review before posting to the website

The compliance audit will be reviewed and will be followed by an accreditation visiting committee scheduled for September 23 – 26, 2008. Their report will be forwarded to the full Commission for final approval to be accredited by the Commission in December 2008 or June 2009. The Commission can render one of three decisions: 1) approval; 2) denial; or 3) continued candidacy status.

Increasing Access

- The future of the Urban Learning Center was reviewed by the ULC Partner Board, and it was determined that it would be best to merge the ULC into the Urban Campus of GCTC instead of it being a stand-alone operation. Current staff of the ULC will be transferred to GCTC, and the programs will be expanded over the 2008-09 academic year in terms of classes and student services. Mallis Graves will become the site coordinator and will be responsible for coordinating the college's operations in the urban site at Levassor and the classes at Holmes High School. She will be reporting directly to the Provost Office.
- The third Annual College Open House and Manufacturing, Business, & IT Expo was held on March 13 with 11 sponsors who paid \$100 for a sponsorship. Sponsors included Belcan Corporation, CDI Aerospace, Cengage Learning, Cincinnati Machine, General Tool, Inc., Johnson Controls, Kao Brands, Kentucky Rebuild Corporation, Mazak Corporation, Messier-Bugatti, and Wagstaff. Participants included C-Forward Information Technologies, Kenton County Airport Board, Select Staffing, and Von Lehman & Company, Inc. Over 100 people attended the event, many of whom were students interested in attending GCTC.

- The college is hiring its first Director of Admissions and Dean of Enrollment Management to focus on recruitment of students. Both will be employed by July and augmented by several internal reallocations of staff to support the admissions process. In addition, several student service staff members will be employed to enhance retention efforts.

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 continues with earth work nearly completed. Initial plans call for the completion of the 104,000 square-foot facility by January 2010.
- The college's Business and Industry Services Division has continued to secure grant funds through the KCTCS WINS program for companies desiring training. To date, the total amount of WINS money awarded in FY08 is \$996,048. There are currently two projects pending that will be awarded before June 30 and will push the awards to over \$1.0 million for training to regional companies.
- Customer service training for 192 patient account clerks at St. Elizabeth Medical Center was completed and included a training retreat with Account Managers in April at Bracken Ridge Conference Center.
- The Assessment Center continues to expand its services and began testing custom border patrol officials in March 2008. Over 600 auto mechanics have been tested for the ASE exam, and the Center now offers the eight-hour Pediatric Dentistry Exam for ACT.

Developing Partnerships

- The Recover Kentucky Women's Center that will be operated by Brighton Center for the Commonwealth is now open and has five or six residents. The property is just north of the Boone Campus off Weaver Road. The college will assist the center in offering unspecified educational opportunities designed to meet the resident's needs where appropriate.
- The college hosted four visitors from a community college in Denmark, EUC-Syd. The college is located in southern Denmark and is a European member of the Trans-Atlantic Training and Technology Alliance (TA3) of which Gateway is a member. Follow-up discussion at the summer meeting in Maryland, which Dr. Taylor will attend, will be focused on faculty, staff, and student exchanges, team teaching classes on line, establishment of an on-line student community center, and a summer "camp" experience for students. A formal "sister" college agreement will be signed in the future.
- Gateway's two B.E.S.T. partnerships - with Sixth District Elementary and with Woodland Elementary (with Borders Books) - won two awards at the annual BEST partnership breakfast sponsored by the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce. The 6th District Partnership won the Best of the BEST award for the

second year in a row. In addition, the partnership with Woodland Elementary won the Best Partnership in the Middle School/High School Category and the Outstanding Work Ethic K-8 award.

Capacity Building

- Hemmer Industries, the contractor for the Allied Health Sciences Center at the Edgewood Campus, has completed approximately 90% of the renovation work in the existing facility. The new areas are taking shape, and the project will be completed on time to allow the college's programs to relocate into the facility in late July. Professional movers will relocate programs from the Covington Campus to create the Student Services Center for the college.
- Ten members of the GCTC faculty and staff completed the college's internal leadership program called LEAD. The 2008 class celebrated their graduation at a dinner hosted by the GCTC Foundation at the Metropolitan Club. This year's class included: Ric Bowen, Linda Cornell, Yohanes Honu, RuthAnne Kolumba, Shelby Krentz, Sherry Parsons, Steve Popple, Janet Samples, Sarah Ransom, and Nicole Stout.
- Ian Fry and Sheila Gray have joined the college's library and information services unit. They will provide added staffing and services in the library.

Securing Financial Resources

- The Major Gifts Campaign continues in leadership giving. Brian Papke, President of Mazak, has joined Lee Flischel, Bob Zapp, and Joe Gross as co-chairpersons of the campaign. The campaign has already surpassed the \$5.0 million mark.
- KCTCS and GCTC were successful in securing additional funding from the Kentucky General Assembly that will allow GCTC to open the Allied Health and Nursing Center in July and the Center for Advanced Manufacturing in January 2010.
- The third annual Scott Weingartner Nursing Scholarship Benefit was held on Sunday, April 27, from 2-6 p.m. at Dickmann's Sports Café. The benefit raised over \$2,500 for the endowed scholarship fund in Scott's name.
- A \$2,000 scholarship was given to Gateway student Terri Meyer as part of the Outstanding Women of Northern Kentucky Luncheon. Toyota has taken over the luncheon from the Kentucky Post.
- The college secured two \$50,000 matching grants for endowments from the Council on Post-Secondary Education (CPE) as part of its endowment matching program. This makes three such matching gifts the college has secured in the last two years. CPE matched dollar for dollar the \$50,000 private gifts.

Student Success

- The National Technical Education Honor Society inducted 40 students into the 2008 class on April 24.
- The chartering and induction of founding members of the college's new Phi Theta Kappa chapter was held on April 11 with 63 students being inducted.
- The college's Criminal Justice program formed a Gateway Chapter of a national criminal justice honor society and inducted 15 members.
- The college's Student Government Association held its annual elections and elected the following students to the respective offices:

President	Autumn Hibbert
Executive Vice President	Tammy Roseberry
Secretary	Theresa Wiehoff
Treasurer	Tonya Cole-Walsh
Vice President for Diversity	Keram Christensen
Vice President for Student Life	Stacy Whaley
Senators:	Amy Allen
	Randi Holt
	Kinta Joseph
	Terri Meyer
	Randal O'Bannon

- Thirty-nine nursing students completed their two-year degrees with the awarding of their Nursing Pins at the annual pinning ceremony on May 13 at the Boone County Library Auditorium. GCTC staff member RuthAnne Kolumba delivered the keynote speech.
- Academic awards, recognitions, and honors were presented to over 200 individuals at the second annual Night of Excellence held on May 9 at the Boone County Library Auditorium.
- The annual Visual Communication Portfolio Exhibit was held on May 1 at Leaping Lizard Gallery in Covington. Senior members of the program exhibited their works to an overflow and very appreciative crowd. This was the first time the college partnered with a local gallery for the exhibit.

Celebrating Excellence

- Laura Cook, Vice President for Resource Development and External Affairs, was honored on April 7 as one of the Outstanding Women in Northern Kentucky for 2008.
- Assistant Professor of English Melissa Fry, Adjunct Faculty Member Sue Carter, and Coordinator of Career Planning and Co-op Amy Monson were named the winners of the Student Choice Awards for full-time faculty, adjunct faculty, and staff members respectively. The awards were announced at commencement on May 16.

- Dale Meyer, retiring Coordinator of Grants, received the college's "High Flyer" Award in recognition of her many contributions to the college over her 30-year career. The award was announced at commencement.
- The college's Speech Team won second place in the Kentucky Forensic Association State Tournament held at Transylvania University. The team is coached by Dr. Michelle Deeley-Wilhite and Melissa Fry.

Investing in Employees

- The college hosted its third Learning Symposium for GCTC employees on April 16, with a theme of "Student Engagement". The event was well received by the college community and completed a year-long effort to increase employee learning and engagement through the shift to the MV₂ Team approach from the S.O.A.R. process.
- All Individual Learning Plans for employees have been completed for the 2007-08 year. Improvement in learning plans will be developed by all employees for implementation in August.

Priorities for President – Past Quarter

Activities were focused on the following:

- Took on role of Provost in April.
- Monitored the construction process for the Allied Health Sciences Center and initiated the equipment listing as part of the major gifts campaign.
- Monitored the construction for the Center for Advanced Manufacturing Competitiveness.
- Continued to meet with prospective donors to provide needed equipment as part of the major gifts campaign. Secured four co-chairs for the campaign.
- Completed the re-visioning process with the final development of the MV₂ process to replace the S.O.A.R. process.
- Completed the legislative process for GCTC priorities for the 2008 legislative session by meeting with legislators regarding the Urban Campus project as a high priority of the Northern Kentucky Consensus process.
- Continued in the role of Chairman of the Board of the Metropolitan Club's Board of Governors for 2008.
- Secured state legislation needed for the Urban Campus site.
- Addressed immediate budget reduction issues and planned future reductions based on the approved state budget and the CPE actions regarding tuition.

Priorities of President – Next Quarter

Activities will be focused on the following:

- Monitor the construction of the Center for Advanced Manufacturing Competitiveness (Phase II Boone Campus).

- Complete the relocation of programs and personnel located at the Highland Heights Campus and those moving to the new Edgewood Campus.
- Plan the 2008-09 learning symposia in conjunction with the PLT.
- Implement part of the reorganization of Academic and Student Affairs, as proposed by the Student Affairs staff and Provost.
- Complete the beginning-year personnel learning plans for all employees.
- Complete negotiations for an Urban Campus site
- Finalize the implementation of a “sister” college relationship with EUC SYD, a community college located in the south of Denmark.
- Develop and implement the 2008-09 budget for the college.
- Secure additional lead gifts for the major gifts campaign.
- Implement a revised Emergency Management Plan, with the implementation of the Emergency Notification System.
- Implement the transition of the Urban Learning Center to GCTC and work with the ULC Partner Board to implement its strategic plan.