President’s Report to the Board of Trustees  
January 24, 2013

**Dual Enrollment**
Dual enrollment of high school students has increased 129 students or 30.8% over last spring, bringing the total to 548. This reinforces the continuing recruitment and outreach efforts with programming, support and regular events with our K-12 partners. LCC is, and continues to be the first college choice for 29% of high school graduates throughout the service district and is positioned well to meet expanded dual opportunities afforded to Michigan high school students.

**Aquatics Update**
Sixteen sections of aquatics are being run at the East Lansing Hannah Center and East Lansing High School this semester. We are running five different courses at the Hannah Center and two different courses at the high school. Both pools and locker room facilities are nice and well kept. Both organizations have been great to work with. Architects and engineers continue work on a solution for leaks in the system of the Hill pool. There is no indication at this time of when it may be available for use; although we are hopeful.

**Elgin Community College Visit**
A team of four LCC administrators and one administrator from Ingham Intermediate School District will travel to Elgin Community College on January 31 to attend their Alliance for College Readiness meeting. They will also have the opportunity to meet individually with Dr. Julie Schaid, Associate Dean, College Readiness & School Partnerships at Elgin regarding their program.

**GFOA Award**
Once again, the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) has given LCC’s Financial Services Division its Distinguished Budget Presentation, this time for the college’s 2011 fiscal year budget. According to the GFOA, award recipients have pioneered efforts to improve the quality of budgeting and provide an excellent example for other governments throughout North America.

**Black History Month to Offer a Variety of Events**
LCC’s Black History Month observance includes a kickoff event, history series, jazz concert, health fair, and film festival, among other things. The opening ceremony is scheduled for January 31, 6-7 pm in Dart Auditorium. See the calendar at the end of this report for other events.

**Early College Report Shows Positive Gains**
LCC and the Ingham Intermediate School District collaborated on a Final Evaluation Report that was submitted to the Michigan Department of Education and key stakeholders in December. The report showed, among other things, significant improvement in college readiness among Early College students.
The goal of the study was to evaluate the efficacy of the Early College program in preparing students to be successful in post-secondary education and to evaluate the effectiveness of the partnership of LCC and Ingham ISD in the venture.

Among the highlights of the 2011-12 study:

- Students showed improvements in English, Math, Reading, and Science with the greatest growth in Math and Science.
- Student motivation remained high across the school year, suggesting that students accepted responsibility for their learning and school success.
- Grade point averages for first generation college students at Early College were similar to those for other Early College students and LCC students.
- More than 90% of parents were very satisfied or satisfied with the education their children were receiving.
- Sixty-two percent of students were very satisfied or satisfied with their experience, with another 23% selecting neutral.

**Young Innovators Competition**

Three groups of Early College students are finalists in the statewide IGNITE Young Innovators Competition. Each group has won a minimum of $550 for placing in the top three in their division for their work designing a business plan for a new mobile app, a solution to a social problem, or the development of a new product. The groups will now meet to discuss their ideas further with a group of judges and have a chance to win the Grand Prize of $2,500.

**Faculty Professional Activity Days**

The Spring 2013 Faculty Professional Activity Days were held January 9-10. Presentations and updates focused on assessment, PQIP, Desire2Learn, student success data, systems portfolio, strategic planning, Student Services, and the Academic Senate charter.

**Strategic Planning Update**

The Strategic Challenges project evolved into the Strategic Planning phase with an Executive Leadership Team workshop, a Board of Trustees session, and informal planning meetings with faculty and staff this month and continuing into February. Participants at these forums identify issues and ideas that can be used in the development of the comprehensive strategic plan that will guide the college for the next several years. The foundation for the planning phase was developed during the Strategic Challenges project which considered external issues that could have a substantial impact on the college’s operations. Several common themes emerged from stakeholders including the potential impact of funding shifts, new rules, goals, and roles; new competition and the changing realities of students’ lives; demographic and community factors; organizational climate and communications issues; and, the ever-accelerating pace of change.

**Foundation Marketing Campaign**

With the help of the LCC Marketing Department, the Foundation has been conducting an advertising campaign. The campaign goals are to increase individual online donations, increase traffic to our newly designed website, promote greater awareness of the Foundation and its mission and secure relationships with new donors. Increasing financial support is the desired end result by engendering a deeper understanding and commitment to why the work of the Foundation is important to individuals and the community.
Creating a Culture of Health and Wellness on Campus
Choosing Health!® is a wellness initiative designed to create and promote a sustainable culture of health and wellness for students, faculty, staff, and the communities we serve. Working with its partner, the Capital Area Health Alliance, LCC has adopted the program as its official wellness initiative. Subcommittees include those focused on physical activity/eustress, education, nutrition, environment, budget and communications.

Choosing Health!® will have a “Take Charge of Your Own Health Care” wellness kickoff presentation by Dr. Stephen TePpaste on February 5, 1-2 pm in Dart Auditorium. All faculty, staff and students are invited.

Build Forward Update - Arts & Sciences Renovation
Demolition on the first and second floors of the south section began in late November, following several weeks of behind the scenes preparation that included such things as rerouting air ducts, capping plumbing, electrical and gas lines; and, removing modular space systems. The project is on schedule and renovated spaces on the first and second floors are expected to be reoccupied at the end of this semester.

Communications Status: The college has developed a robust communications system to alert students, faculty and staff to anticipated construction noise or other inconveniences.

- The A&S Division Office communicates potential noise disruptions or other inconveniences via email (a “Pardon Our Dust” alert), through a message posted on the Build Forward website and blog http://www.lcc.edu/buildforward/, and signage is posted.
- Project managers from Granger spoke to A&S faculty and staff about the project at the division kick-off meeting January 7.
- If the disruptions are expected to be greater than usual, the division will reassign classes to alternate locations as space permits.
• Granger schedules noisier demolition and construction activities for third shift to minimize the impact on students, faculty and staff.
• Much demolition and construction activity was ceased during the final week of classes in December.
• Ongoing information regarding the project is provided bi-weekly to all A&S faculty and staff.
• Procedures for reporting emergencies or intolerable disruptions have been shared with faculty and staff.

**Holiday Giving Shows LCC’s Heart**

There were many activities adopted across the college in December to reach out to the community and make the holidays a little brighter for families in need.

• Enrollment Services made fleece scarves, a blanket, blanket sleepers and children’s socks. Also donated cash and many personal hygiene items.
• Toys for Tots: a college wide effort that resulted in about 300 toys and more than $800.
• Student Life and Athletics: Conducted a Food Drive that yielded 498 pounds of food and $800.
• Support Services, Women’s Resource Center and Human Resources: Five holiday families were helped and a faculty member’s family. In addition, Support Services staff contributed $228 in cash and gift cards, and Phi Theta Kappa purchased $500 worth of gifts for one family.

**Other Items of Note**

• Flexible Registration (FlexReg) is up and running for Spring Semester. The system is working well and provides an easy-to-register system for those taking non-credit and training courses.

• The organizational meeting of the President’s Advisory Council on Diversity and Inclusion will occur within a month. Membership is being finalized.

• The Health and Human Services Division provided a tour of Nursing and Emergency Medical Services simulation spaces for a group of 20 faculty, architects and builders. The group was accompanied by Daniel D. Maley, Director of Facilities and Construction Management Services for Kalamazoo Valley Community College (KVCC). KVCC is in the process of building a new multi-room simulation center.

• The college hosted a distinguished group of visitors from China in January. Administrators from the Beijing Technical and Vocational College were here to discuss the partnership that would enable their students to enroll in selected LCC programs. The conversation also explored the idea of an exchange program that would enable LCC students to take some courses in China. Conversations like these are increasingly important as we look for ways to provide opportunities for global learning and to ensure that our students are prepared for the rapidly changing global economy.

• LCC is expected to host the current group of Humphrey Fellows from Michigan State University. The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program brings accomplished mid-career professionals from developing countries to the U.S. for a year of study and related professional experiences. This year’s group includes economic development professionals from countries as diverse as Bolivia, Bhutan, and Uganda. At LCC they will be introduced to various aspects of community college administration and the role and impact of community college within local communities.
• A student from LCC’s first cohort of H.O.P.E. Scholars, Miya Jefferson, has been named to the Dean’s List at Tennessee State University. Ms. Jefferson was a 2008 graduate of Sexton High School and attended LCC for four semesters as a H.O.P.E. Scholar before transferring with a 3.06 GPA to Tennessee State.

• Josie Adams, Veterans/Military Affairs Specialist, has been elected to the National Association of Veterans Program Administrators (NAVPA) as Treasurer and Region V Delegate to the NAVPA Board of Directors. As such, she will work on initiatives to improve and enhance the GI Bill. NAVPA is a national organization of program administrators who work for universities and colleges, trade schools and apprenticeship programs across the nation to ensure that student veterans receive the best service and most accurate access to their GI benefits.

**Calendar of Upcoming Events**

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