

# President's Information Report February, March, and April 2020

#### **AWARDS AND HONORS:**

The College's application to join the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) was accepted on April 3, 2020, after a very successful site visit. Plans to move forward with hiring a head coach and recruitment of student athletes were temporarily suspended in response to COVID19.

Dr. Colleen Smith received the Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce Athena Award. Athena Awards recognize local businesswomen who have achieved excellence in their field, served the community, and assisted other women in the attainment of their goals.

The Arizona Board of Nursing completed a recent site visit and the College's Nursing Program has been provisionally approved for five years. This is the maximum amount of time programs can be approved and is the first time in the history the College's program that a five year approval has been granted.

#### **COVID19 TRANSITIONS:**

Much of the work of the College from late February on focused on transitioning from face to face offerings to mostly online. Some of the highlights of that work included the following:

- The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) hosted informational Webinars on the disaster loan options provided by the Small Business Administration (SBA). The SBDC hosted twelve webinars, six in collaboration with Coconino County, one with Economic Development Leaders in Page, and one for the Northern Arizona Center for Entrepreneurship and Technology. The webinars have served over 400 people in Northern Arizona.
- Many CCC faculty members have been going above and beyond in the transition to a mostly online learning environment. Several full and part-time instructors have learned skills and software to make the change possible. Faculty also worked on ways to engage students that did not have access to technology. There has been a lot of creativity in finding ways to engage students and help them complete the semester.
- The College was able to donate medical supplies, including thirty-eight boxes of gloves and several 3D printed N95 masks to assist the Navajo Nation. The items will support first responders on the and Tuba City Regional Medical Center.
- The College has had to modify many business practices to improve communication with students and the public. Significant updates were made to the College's website, including the addition of information pages related to COVID 19. The College is also working quickly to convert all types of paperwork to electronic forms.
- Student Affairs Staff have implemented new and innovative approaches to support the College's community of students. The TRiO and LSAMP programs have been offering a weekly "Coffee and Conversations" to allow students to connect with the College. Student Life is creating a series of

- Quaran-TEAL videos that used mini-videos from Student Ambassadors and Associated Latin American Students (ALAS) to encourage resilience and help students be successful.
- Recruitment and High School Programs worked with dual enrollment and CAVIAT partners to make sure high school students were able to continue classes. The group also revived the HS2CCC newsletter, launched a virtual campus tour, and updated the dual enrollment student handbook.
- Registration and Enrollment Services implemented a new online digital catalog, developed ways
  to allow for electronic submission of forms and student information, implemented an electronic
  solution for transcript exchange for the CCC2NAU program, and in conjunction with the Office of
  the President, ITS, Marketing and PR, transitioned this year's commencement ceremony to a
  virtual format.
- Advising and Career Development implemented an online scheduling system for advising appointments. This system also allows drop-in appointments as needed.
- The placement testing process for Summer and Fall was suspended because students were not able to complete some types of placement measures like the ACT and SAT exams. Students will work with advisors to determine the best courses to take.
- Student Life redesigned the Student Awards Ceremony to allow students to be recognized for their achievement in a virtual format. Student Life is collaborating with other Arizona community colleges to offer the annual Student Leadership Summit virtually.

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS AND MEETINGS:**

March 9, 2020

The Comet Gallery closed and will be relocating back to the Lone Tree Campus. The current space has been rented to a new commercial tenant. We are grateful for the time we were provided and the exposure of our CCC artists.

The College did not host events that involve outside starting in mid-March. This resulted in canceling more than 70 events for the Spring semester at a loss of over \$18,000 in facility use revenue. Events that were able to take place for February and March included the following:

February 4, 2020	Comet Talk: 5 Key Pillars of Health
February 7, 2020	Grand Canyon Celebration of Art Exhibition and First Friday Artwalk
February 10, 2020	Comet Talk: Close Encounters of the Animal Kind
February 11, 2020	Basic Bookkeeping course in Page
February 13, 2020	QuickBooks course in Page
February 18, 2020	Resilience Exhibit Opening Reception
February 20, 2020	Cross Country Program Kickoff Event
February 25, 2020	Comet Talk: Distinctive Archaeology of the Colorado Plateau
February 27-March 3, 2020	Transfer 101 Information Sessions
February 27, 2020	Scholarship Workshop
March 6, 2020	First Friday Artwalk
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CCC booths at Flagstaff STEM Night

On February 19, 2020, President Smith took a group of eight students to the State Capitol to meet with Senators and Representatives from Northern Arizona.

#### PARTICIPATION IN REGIONAL, STATE, AND NATIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION ORGANIZATIONS:

Dietrich Sauer and Brianna Lorents recently attended a statewide meeting of public employers who are part of Achieve60AZ. The group is composed of employers from counties, cities, colleges, and universities. The goal of the group is to draft and recommend a policy for public employers to help employees attain additional educational credentials.

To encourage community college participation in the Fulbright Student Program, the program is waiving some requirements to make it easier for the College to participate. The College is currently screening applicants for next year's program.

#### **PARTNERSHIPS:**

Jim Hunter and Kay Leum were part of the planning committee for the March 5, 2020 89Forward Business Conference. The conference is hosted by Coconino Community College, the City of Page, and the Page Lake Powell Chamber of Commerce. The event drew 140 participants.

In conjunction with Coconino County Health and Human Services, the Page Center was able to offer fifteen workforce training classes in February and March to nearly 250 participants. Grant funding from the U. S. Department of Labor allowed the courses to be provided for free. The pandemic curtailed offering additional classes.

#### **OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT:**

### **Meetings of Interest**

April 22, 2020

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	February 3, 2020	Budget Hearings	
	February 5, 2020	LAUNCH Flagstaff	
		Fiesta de Mayo Planning Meeting	
	February 7, 2020	Arizona's Balanced Budget Forum with the Governor's Office	
	February 9-13, 2020	ACCT Legislative Summit including meetings will all of the Arizona congressional representatives	
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	February 14, 2020	Flagstaff Chamber Annual Meeting and Athena Awards	
	February 18, 2020	Resilience Exhibit Opening Reception CCC Day at the Arizona State Capitol	
	February 19, 2020	·	
	February 20, 2020	Arizona Board of Nursing Site Visit	
		NALA	
	Falamara 24, 2020	Cross County Program Kickoff	
	February 24, 2020	DGB Meeting	
February 26-27, 2020 AC4 Meeting and All Arizona Academic Team Luncheon			
	February 27, 2020	CCC Champions	
	February 3, 2020	NJCAA Site Visit	
	February 4, 2020	LAUNCH Flagstaff	
	February 4, 2020	Rural Caucus meeting at the Arizona State Legislature	
	February 7, 2020	Viola Awards	
	February 11, 2020	Coconino County Health and Human Services COVID19 Partner Briefing	
		Flagstaff College	
	March 12, 2020	AC4 COVID19 Conference Calls	
	March 15-21, 2020	Spring Break	
	March 23, 2020	DGB Meeting	
	March 26, 2020	AC4	
	March 27, 2020	Senator McSally Conference Call	
	April 2, 2020	LAUNCH Flagstaff	
	April 6, 2020	CTE Dean Candidate Interviews	
	April 9, 2020	NALA	
	April 10, 2020	ECONA	
	April 15, 2020	LAUNCH Flagstaff	
		Northern Arizona Healthcare Foundation	
	April 20, 2020	ECONA	

All College Webinar with Dr. Marie Peoples

April 23, 2020 AC4

Foundation Board Finance and Executive Committee

April 28, 2020 All College Webinar

Flagstaff Chamber Board of Directors

April 30, 2020 DGB Meeting

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## **Upcoming Presidential Travel**

None at this time