

# NORTHLAND

COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE

## MMC Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 11, 2011

11 a.m.

TRF Room 662; EGF Room 301, Roseau

### MINUTES

**Members Present:** Charles Gray, Dustin Buse, Jennifer Killmer, Mark Johnson, Anne Temte, Becky Lindseth, Nicole Hagen

**Absent:** Kent Hanson, Norma Smith, Jason Pangiarella, Nic Thompson, Kristi Lane, Chad Sperling

Topic	Responsible Party	Discussion/Outcome
Call to order	Temte	
1. IT Update	Gray	Charles Gray reported on various IT updates that have been completed or are in progress: a) Migration from Novell to Microsoft Network; the college should see substantial performance improvement within the network; b) Instituted managed printing at Roseau site; Next projects: Converting Virtual Office to Sharepoint; Convert Groupwise email to Outlook Exchange. He noted that Novell went out of business, and that was the primary reason for converting to Microsoft Network. President Temte complimented Charles and the IT staff on their technical skills, as well as their positive attitudes in handling employee issues during the conversion phase.
2. President's Update	Temte	<p>President Temte reported that there are exciting things happening for the college recently. Senator Al Franken met with administration and city officials on Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at the airport site to learn more about the UAS program and its potential. His office is very supportive of the initiatives we are pursuing in this field. Upcoming meetings will be held with federal and state legislators from MN and ND to keep them informed of the need for funding and various changes needed to accomplish the goals. The UAS industry has the potential of attracting students, but also the development of related businesses to the region. Airspace issues are being discussed at the federal level.</p> <p>President Temte reported that Governor Mark Dayton would be in TRF on Tues, January 11<sup>th</sup>, for a private luncheon with Digi-Key, Arctic Cat, and other community leaders. Efforts will be made to arrange for a brief stop at the airport site if time permits before he departs from the airport. She noted that NCTC and Digi-Key share a mutual concern</p>

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		<p>regarding the availability of housing in TRF.</p> <p>We are receiving positive feedback from MnSCU Board of Trustees Chair Scott Thiss, and that feedback is being heard throughout the state. That feedback can produce a positive impact on enrollments, funding opportunities, etc. She reported there are ten new students enrolled for spring semester, bringing the total enrollment for aviation to more than 60 students. There are currently 80 prospects for the UAS program next fall, and 100 prospects for the Aviation Maintenance program. MnSCU recently approved the UAS program so students will be able to enroll as soon as the schedules are developed.</p> <p>A potential grant from the U.S. Economic Development Administration is being pursued that would enable the college to make substantial facility improvements to the airport site, in addition to funding equipment for the UAS program. The proposed improvements may consist of space to house a Predator- an unmanned aircraft, a secure lab/classroom for an Imagery Analytics program, and new lab space for other courses in the AMT program. A meeting will be held this Friday with local, state, and Office of the Chancellor officials to begin the grant proposal development.</p>
3. Member Comments		<p>Various members offered information about their current projects or priorities: Dustin Buse reported he is currently working on the scholarship award process;</p> <p>Jennifer Killmer reported things are going well with her new responsibilities in Business Services;</p> <p>Mark Johnson reported that the New Media &amp; Radio Station are undergoing a “repaint” due to flaws during construction, and they plan to schedule an Open House for the new area during spring semester.</p> <p>Nicole Hagen reported she just returned from maternity leave. She reported on Annie’s Project, a women’s business management course in Roseau, in which 21 are enrolled. She noted that Roseau nursing cohort students will graduate in Fall 2011 and stated that the college has not committed to offer another nursing cohort in Roseau, even though 30+ students have expressed an interest. It was noted that other programs are being considered for that site, but no firm decisions have been made. Nicole noted that the City of Roseau has developed a no-smoking policy for the Roseau City Center and therefore students at the site must comply with the policy. Users of the building must not smoke on the grounds or in the facility. She noted that a Financial Aid Night is scheduled</p>

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		for January 24 at Roseau High School, with NCTC financial aid personnel. Accuplacer tests will be conducted at the Roseau site on Wednesdays for incoming NCTC students.
4. Next meeting		Tuesday, February 8; 11 a.m. ; TRF Room 662, EGF Room 301, Roseau
5. Adjourned at 11:30 a.m.		