



**President's Report
To
Board of Education
September 11, 2019**

- 1. Inservice Week.** Inservice week is September 16-20, with a strong focus on matters related to accreditation. Sonny Ramaswamy, president of NWCCU (our accrediting body) will be present to speak to all employees during Convocation. Faculty and administrators have several work sessions related to assessment. Staff will be engaged in diversity and equity training. Strategic priorities for the year will be presented to everyone. Faculty have a half day devoted to teaching and learning. Our new safety protocol will be rolled out during Convocation. Remember that the Board is invited to join us for a tailgating party with lunch and games on Thursday, September 19, from noon to 1:45 p.m. at the Athletics Complex.
- 2. Accreditation.** Multiple work sessions were held this summer, including two strategic plan workshops (that included the Senior Leadership Team, the Provost Council, and academic department chairs), an assessment training session for all College administrators with foci on data-informed and outcome-driven methodologies, preparation for inservice assessment sessions by the Academic and Curriculum Standards Committee, and workshops/meetings of the Institutional Effectiveness Committee to better define and identify systematic processes of planning, assessment, and resource allocation that collectively define institutional effectiveness.
- 3. Industrial Technology Center.** Preliminary drawings of the Industrial Technology Center (new construction) and Lockwood Hall (renovation) were shared by Mahlum with the Steering Committee last week. The overall concept for the new building was received favorably, though space allocation will need to be reconsidered. The renovation of Lockwood was inadequate and will need to be reconsidered. Faculty are reviewing the proposed drawings next week during inservice, and we are talking with industry representatives about the plan.
- 4. Truck driving school location.** Our lease with Cow Creek expires at the end of this calendar year, and due to their own needs for the space they would like us to vacate the space by the end of the fiscal year. We have explored multiple sites, but have yet to identify a workable, affordable site. We continue to work with industry representatives for a resolution.
- 5. Med Ed College.** Discussions are underway with Mercy Hospital staff, VA hospital staff, George Fox University staff, Dallas Heard, and UCC staff for ways to expand the nursing program, secure a no-compete agreement with GFU for the nursing program and for clinical sites, and pursue national accreditation. These proposed changes require financial support from the hospital and from benefactors.
- 6. Enrollment.** Fall enrollments are currently about 3% lower than last year at this time. Admissions is continuing their recruitment efforts through phone calls, email and other e-communications, and orientation sessions.