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FC4 President's address

CCC Board Meeting

Thursday, June 5, 2014

Chair Wolf, Chancellor Hyman, members of the Board, officers of the District and all others present, Good morning.

This past year was a very productive year for City Colleges of Chicago. I would like to again congratulate the district on meeting its goal to increase the number of graduates. To the faculty job well done, I also want to acknowledge the faculty who were willing to work the intersession to help students to complete their last course it shows your dedication to our students.

- 1) The Discipline Meetings have been a great avenue for suggestion for academic changes we would like to continue to have those meetings in the upcoming academic year; this is the most appropriate platform to start discussion for academic changes.
- 2) FC4 should be included in the proposed District Standard committee.
- 3) As we move to the idea of 15 to graduate CCC should work with the four year institutions to help ensure that our graduates complete their baccalaureate within two years upon transferring. That may mean to enter a two plus two type of articulation with our receiving institutions.
- 4) We are also pleased to learn that One Million Degrees will partner with CCC in the quest of helping our students to complete their degree. With their acclaimed success I think this partnership will benefit our students a great deal.
- 5) Lastly at the end of this month Associate vice Chancellor Martyn, Claudia Mercado, Maria Llopiz, President Millender and myself will attend the one day institute by Complete College America to learn more about 15 to graduate I am doing this in spirit of helping the City Colleges Chicago its goal of ensuring that students graduate within two year of attending City Colleges of Chicago.

Respectfully submitted

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