| DR. KEVIN BOYS, PRESIDENT

Board Meeting Calendar for 2014

Enclosed is a draft calendar of potential regular SSCC Board of Trustees meetings for 2014 for the Board's consideration. Doug Boedeker, Board of Trustees Chair, would like to discuss possible changes to the meeting times depending on the interests and needs of the Board.

Board Policy Manual

The Board's policies require that the Board Policy Manual be reviewed annually. A copy is enclosed. I am not bringing forward any recommended changes, but if the Board wishes to discuss any changes, there will be an opportunity at our extended meeting.

Brown County Chamber Drucker Award of Distinction Recipient

The Drucker Award of Distinction (named after Dr. Peter Drucker of international fame) is an annual presentation recognizing local businesses who serve Brown County and have accomplished "A chievement in Business Excellence."

The Drucker Award

As you will recall, Governor John Kasich asked me to co-chair the Higher Education Funding Commission for the purposes of making recommendations for the upcoming Capital Bill. The Commission finished its work and has released its recommendations. These recommendations were released to the press last week via phone conference. I was honored to receive a call of thanks and congratulations from Governor Kasich, Speaker of the House of Representatives William Batchelder, and Senate President Keith Faber prior to the press event. We will discuss what these recommendations mean for Southern State Community College at the extended meeting. In short, our plans for Adams County continue to move for

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Enrollment for the past three months is one student better than the same period one year ago.

SSCC Dean of Workforce Development and Community Services

STUDENT SERVICES AND ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT

Financial Aid

Financial Aid Nights are currently being conducted in the area high schools. The Office of Financial Aid has presented at Hillsboro, Greenfield, Clinton Massie and Western Brown in the last couple of weeks and have many others scheduled for the month of January, which is Financial Aid Awareness month.

In 2013, the office began reaching out to students who had borrowed a student loan at Southern State and were delinquent on their student loans. This is in an effort to reduce the number of students who might default on their student loan. There were 1,086 borrowers at some point in 2013 that were at least 31 days past due on their student loans. Through the outreach efforts, 527 borrowers came off the delinquency list and are current on their loans.

Patri-Tots

The Patri-Tots Learning Center at Central Campus is pleased to announce another 100% compliance rating from their recent inspection on Dec. 4, 2013 from Ohio's Department of Job and Family Services. This achievement is the Center's second perfect rating in a row and third overall. Site Administrator Kathe Chaney and staff are extremely proud of this accomplishment.

Currently, security concerns at the Center have been resolved. The automatic lock on the front entrance door has been replaced and a new doorbell has been installed. Both have been working very well and all remote release devices are also working properly. At this time we have no apprehension or concerns among clients.

Records/Registrar

The Records Office was audited by the Veterans Administration on Dec. 17. At the exit interview, the compliance officer indicated one minor date discrepancy, but otherwise it was an excellent review. The last time there was an audit by VA was 2008.

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