

## President's report to the UCC Board of Education – February 2023

- UCC **thinks the Douglas County Sheriff's office** for once again being incredible partners in keeping our community safe. On February 21<sup>st</sup> a series of false reports were sent to area K12 schools which resulted in multiple lock downs around the county. As well as being on site dealing with these situations, the Sheriff's office communicated constantly with the college, providing officers to patrol campus and give advice on safety. We are very fortunate to have dedicated law enforcement support.
- In relation to the point above, on February 21<sup>st</sup>, Umpqua Valley Ambulance (UVA) called all of the employees to staff all of the available ambulances. Our current paramedic program has four students that are full-time at UVA, and several instructors who are part-time at UVA. The EMS department at UCC was able to send **7 individuals to UVA for immediate staffing** if the need was found to be there. EMS program Director Sheri Guerrero was very proud of our students and the staff's response to this potentially very stressful event.
- The theatre department, in honor of literacy awareness month hosted "**Wake up to Reading**", a play written by the career academy class and including the Umpqua singers, UACT and students from other regular college courses. 3500 students over 4 performances from local area elementary schools attended the show.
- In Athletics news, **Women's Wrestling finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the nation** at the NJCAA National Championships. We had 3 National Champions and 14 All-American Wrestlers. Baseball is off to an 8-2 start, and we have set school records in the hurdles and women's hammer throw at our first track event. Over 60 Athletes volunteered with Thrive Umpqua to participate in the Downtown Roseburg Clean-up event.
- The **UCC Gym bleacher removal and replacement** will begin next Friday as the Department of Facilities and the Department of Athletics will team up to remove the existing bleachers to be replaced by our newly purchased ones. We are saving some money by having our athletes volunteer to support the removal process.
- The **Explore UCC** event happened on Wednesday March 1st for the first time since COVID. Turnout was good. We estimate there were between 250-300 visitors. There were also 34 local industry partners, 20 UCC programs/areas, and 3 universities.
- The **Digital Transformation** work is progressing well and everyone is being very patient with the change:
  - The Financial Aid Office, housing and the RMC program have all been switched to Laserfiche forms – a digital form that provides a workflow operation and faster service.
  - The Registration Office successfully implemented the mass registration process to expedite group registrations in our software program. This is a huge time saver for the office.
  - Advising is preparing for the implementation of the new course sharing system Acadeum by attending training.
  - A faculty load and compensation module is being added in Banner to automate payroll for adjunct professors.

- The CRM Recruit Banner module that manages UCC interactions with student prospects and their forms for admissions has been tested and training begins next week for implementation in the coming months. This will give students a better experience interacting with the college and onboarding as a student.
- The UCC TRIO SSS programs participated in **National TRIO day Beach clean-up** in partnership with UCC's Pre-College TRIO programs, SWOCC's TRIO program and SOU's TRIO program. About 70 students participated and approximately 50 of these were from UCC.
- The Office of Early College is in full recruitment mode for next year's **Career Academy** offerings. We will add Forestry, Nursing Assistant, and Robotics & Artificial Intelligence to our existing courses in Auto, EMS and Theatre.
- For spring term, **43% of all college materials adoptions consist of Open Educational Resources**, in other words, no text or very low-cost materials.
- The second class of the new employee orientation program graduated this past Tuesday. **Rookies to Riverhawks** was developed to onboard new team members to fully participate and understand UCC. These will be the educational leaders of the future and we are delighted to invest in their success in this way. In addition, this month we are initiating "**Success for Supervisors**". A 12-week program for supervisors at the college to ensure that we support our staff to exceed expectations. We know that people quit people, not jobs, so we feel this time and resource investment will be what ensures that we have a strong and inspiring workforce to serve our students.
- **Enrollment** is still trending upward for Winter term at 10.5 % increase. Spring term is down right now but we believe that's a timing issue in certain programs that have not registered their students yet. We believe that upward trend will be reflected in the Spring enrollment figures as well.