

# President's Report to the **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**



**SOUTHERN STATE**  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

JUNE 2016 | DR. KEVIN BOYS, PRESIDENT

## Joint Meeting with Adams County Ohio Valley Board of Education

At the SSCC Board's request, an invitation was extended to the Adams County Ohio Valley Board of Education for a joint meeting. They have gladly accepted, so the initial segment of our meeting will consist of a brief presentation on the College's vision for an Adams County Campus followed by discussion by both boards. Following this discussion, we will take a brief recess and then reconvene for the Board's remaining agenda.

## Abbreviated President's Report

Due to the lengthy reports included for approval on this month's agenda, we have made a concerted effort to abbreviate this month's President's Report so as not to provide an overabundance of reading material. We always strive to provide meaningful and relevant information for the Board's consideration.

## Moody's Investment Report

Enclosed in this packet is Moody's Investment Services recent modification of the College's bond rating. You will note that we were down rated to the same bond rating that the College held prior to our 2012 bond rating in which we received an improved rating due to the surge in enrollment and revenue at the time. Although a disappointment, it was not unexpected due to our enrollment decline following the height of the recession. We do not anticipate seeking additional bond funding.

## HB 64 Efficiency Review

The Finance Committee met to thoroughly review the College's response to the Efficiency and Affordability Task Force Recommendations. After completing some additional information

following the meeting, the Finance Committee is bringing forward a recommendation to accept this report and direct the administration to file it with the Chancellor. A copy of the report is included with your packet.

### College Completion Plan Update

Also included in your packet is a copy of our bi-annual update to the required College Completion Plan. You will notice progress on the previous goals color coded and also several additional strategies throughout. We will also ask for an approval of this report as well.

### Upcoming Events

Board members are invited and encouraged to attend any of the following upcoming events:

#### JUNE

06.09.16     **Adult Opportunity Center (AOC) Recognition**  
7 pm | Edward K. Daniels Auditorium, Central Campus

### President's Activities and Involvement

Since my last report, I have been involved in the following meetings and events:

- OACC Government Relations Conference Call
- Formal MOU Signing Between SSCC and Wright State University
- Hillsboro Rotary Club Meetings
- Lunch with Executive Director of YMCA of Greater Cincinnati
- Meeting with Bright Local Schools Superintendent
- Meeting with WOBO Representative about Music Serious Partnership
- Rotary Scholarship Presentation at Lynchburg-Clay High School
- Completion Plan Update meetings
- SSCC Associated Degree Nursing Pinning Ceremony
- SSCC Graduation Ceremony
- Stakeholder Attainment Summit, Columbus State Community College
- OACC Presidents Meeting

- SOCHE Board of Trustees Meeting, Clark State Community College
- Meeting with SHP Architecture Representative
- Meeting with Bright Local Schools' District Leadership Team
- Meeting with Clermont Chamber of Commerce Representatives
- Meeting with Dean Jeff Bauer of University of Cincinnati Clermont College
- Meeting with Dr. Jim Reynolds, President of Wilmington College
- Finance Committee Meeting
- Highland County Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting
- Clinton County Leadership Institute Graduation Ceremony
- WSRW Interview with Willard Parr
- Full Measure Education Meeting, Clark State Community College

## ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

### **Faculty Accomplishments**

#### *Earned Doctorate Degree*

Congratulations to **Kami Campbell** and **Kelly Colliver** who graduated from an intense **Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Program** at Otterbein University on April 30. The program develops advanced practice nurses committed to scholarly evidence-based practice, innovation, testing of care delivery models, and evaluation of health outcomes for the good of all members of society. Dr. Campbell's area of research was related to nurse practitioner-led health clinics. Dr. Colliver researched factors influencing participation in screening mammography among rural women. This chapter of their educational experience has further prepared them to facilitate the SSCC nursing students' learning experiences to obtain a broader view of nursing and the need for evidence-based nursing practice.

#### *Advancement in Rank*

**From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor:**

- Mr. Thomas M. Smith (Agriculture)
- Ms. Chyane M. Collins (Respiratory Care)
- Mr. Jeff Wallace (English)
- Mr. Bruce Fugate (Nursing)
- Ms. Annie Rankin (English)
- Dr. Gayle Mackay (Business)

**From Instructor to Assistant Professor:**

- Dr. David Garippa (Biology)
- Reta Hamilton (Nursing)
- James I. Barnett, Jr. (Engineering)

## **Program Highlights**

### *Basic Peace Officer Training Academy*

On May 17, ten cadets graduated from SSCC's Basic Police Officer Training Academy at Fayette Campus, led by Commander Robin Roche. This marks the 24<sup>th</sup> SSCC class graduating with certification through the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy (OPOTA). The Academy is a 7-month program and the next cohort begins on Aug. 20.

### *Medical Assisting and Allied Health Programs*

A special celebration was held April 20 to honor graduates of Southern State Community College's medical assisting and allied health programs. These recent graduates bring total completions for these programs to the following levels: Associate of Science in Medical Assisting, 500 since 1979; Phlebotomy Certificate, 159 since 2006; Billing and Coding Certificate, 80 since 2009; and Pharmacy Technician Certificate, 80 since 2006.

## **Grant Highlights**

### *Ohio Means Internships and Co-Ops Grant*

On May 11, the Ohio Department of Higher Education awarded Southern State Community College and the Southeast Region the third installment of the Ohio Means Internships & Co-ops funding (OMIC). This award is part of Governor John Kasich's workforce development strategies to better align Ohio's higher education curriculum with Ohio's businesses, and provide talent development opportunities for Ohio's students. With significant interest in this initiative from across Ohio, our regional proposal was recommended to be funded at \$285,833. All awards being contingent on Controlling Board approval in June 2016. Southern State is, once again, the fiscal agent for this grant.

## **Adult Opportunity Center Recognition**

The annual Adult Opportunity Center Recognition will be held June 9, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the Edward K. Daniels Auditorium. It is anticipated approximately 30 of the 80 GED recipients will participate. A reception will follow in the Lobby.

## **Workforce Development and Community Services**

### **Truck Driving Academy**

#### ***Revolving Loan Fund***

Of the original \$100,000 grant, nearly all funds have been awarded with only four awards (\$16,000) pending. New appropriations will be available once the original grant is exhausted in its entirety.

#### ***TDA Revisits Competitive Pricing***

The Truck Driving Academy is planning a Class A training program fee increase from \$4800 to \$5,300, effective October 1, 2016. The last fee increases were in 2007 and 2012. In July of 2012, the fee was increased from \$3995 to \$4800. Two other community colleges current costs: Clark State is \$5500; Cuyahoga is \$5495. The planned increase date allows for notification in advance to partners, and will allow the ODPS changes to be incorporated as well. Class B, passenger, and other training fees will remain the same.

## **Workforce Development and Continuing Education**

#### ***Technology Camp Attracting Youth***

The Black Rocket Summer Youth camp continues to accept enrollments. This technology-focused camp, for youth ages 8-14, has been well received among community members. Selection of instructors is underway.

#### ***Non-Credit Certification in Logistics Training***

In partnership with Turning Point Applied Learning Center, Southern State is

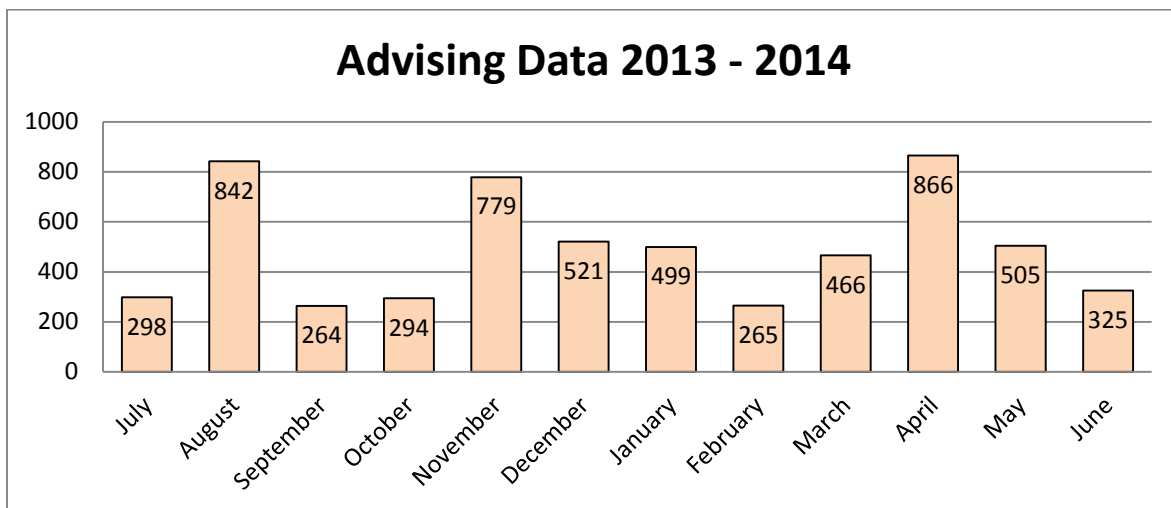
anticipating offering certification training at the North and Central campuses. Curriculum is provided by the Manufacturing Skills Standards Council (MSSC), a nationally recognized skills certification organization.

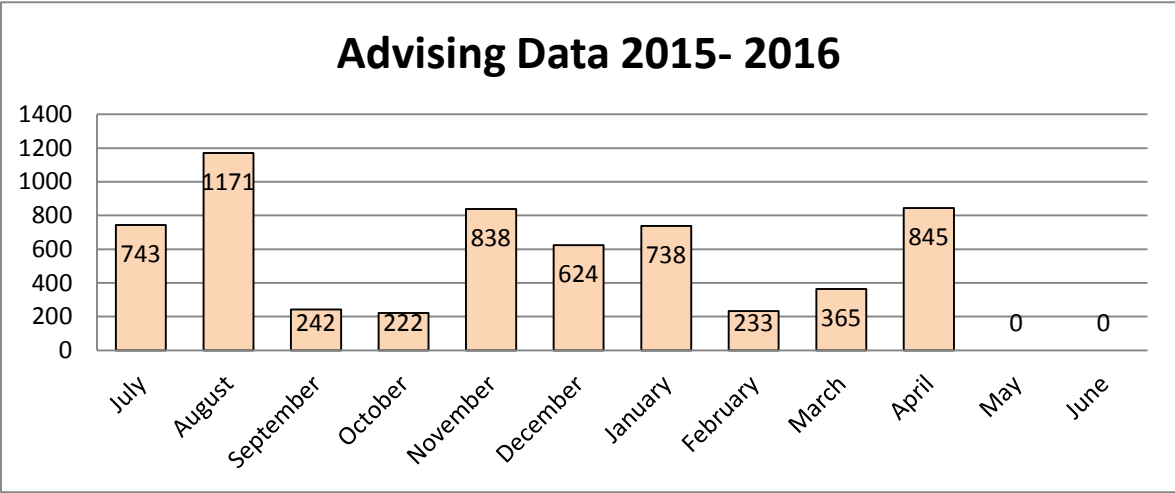
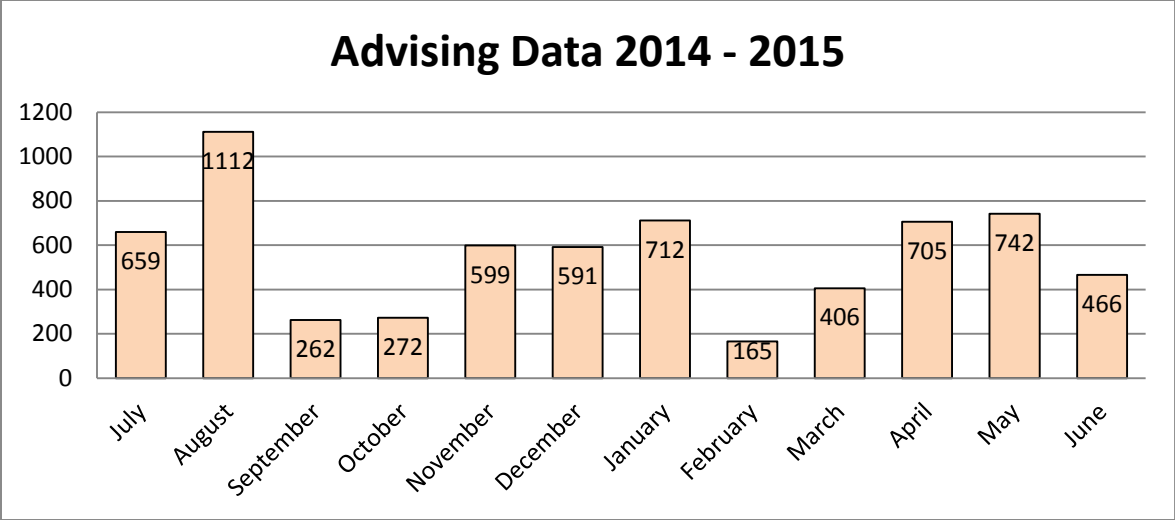
## STUDENT SERVICES AND ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT

### Student Success Center

Once students apply to Southern State, one of their first contacts after the Admissions staff is an academic advisor. Advisors not only help students select courses for the semester, they direct students individually through intended academic programs and help them connect to faculty advisors. This coming fall, advisors will take on a more aggressive role as career coaches, aiding students in identifying and planning pathways to their career goals and connecting them to resources, faculty, and personnel able to guide them through their programs.

The advising data for the last three years reflects the increase in use of Advising Services.





(May data still being collected at time of report)

**Veteran Services**

Robert Hixson, academic advisor, serves as the veteran liaison. Through this function, Bob (also a veteran) has been able to assist our veterans through their transition issues related to being a successful student.

This year, seventeen veterans completed their programs and graduated (up from nine last year). Our veterans are finding support and success through this Student Success Center service.

## **Tutoring Center** ✓

The Tutoring Center hosted eight Online Success Workshops (two per campus) in preparation for the summer term. A total of 53 students participated in this service. Additional one-on-one sessions will be available the first week of the term to aid students with “Blackboard” use.

Tutoring is also creating online tutorial videos to aid students in refreshing their skills in Math and Writing in preparation for the Accuplacer Placement assessment.

## **Career and Personal Counseling Services** ✓

In addition to managing a heavy counseling (both Career and Personal) case load, Tom Payton is developing the Career Coaching training for the academic advisors. Tom has been teaching a master level Career Counseling course for University of Dayton and is up to date on the latest theories and working techniques in the industry. The function of career coaching will also help in identifying students in need of additional career direction.

## **Financial Aid**

### **College Credit Plus Scholarship** ✓

In an effort to retain students who have participated in College Credit Plus, the College has established a scholarship aimed at graduating seniors to continue their education at Southern State. The scholarship is a maximum award of \$1500 (\$750 per semester) per year after other free financial aid has been applied. Students will be required to complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) to qualify and enroll as a full-time student. The scholarship application is available at <http://www.sccc.edu/financialaid/scholarships.shtml>.

### **New Student Orientation** ✓

Sessions were conducted at New Student Orientation for summer semester for both federal financial aid recipients and Superstart scholarship students.