

TO: Board of Trustees
FROM: Carl E. Haynes, Ph.D., President
DATE: January 17, 2017
SUBJECT: President's Report to the Board

ENROLLMENT/BUDGET

At the current time, enrollment for the spring semester is running approximately 5.5 percent below our revised projections for the spring. This indeed is a concern and there are numerous initiatives underway in our Enrollment Service Center to contact students who should be returning but have not yet registered. We are hopeful that in the next few days before classes begin on January 25 that we will see this situation improve. Depending on the outcome, there will be some need for further adjustments in our budget expenditures for the remaining part of our fiscal year.

In the meantime, we are beginning to develop pro forma budgets for 2017-2018 and beginning the internal process of developing both department budget requests and overall budget projections for next year.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES/ACTION PLAN

The quarterly Strategic Priorities/Action Plan Report was shared in November and there will be an updated periodic report that will be developed in early March following the outcome of our Spring enrollment.

ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Work continues to be suspended on the exterior portion of the roof. We are able to continue with the installation of the interior piping work for the roof drains. The contractors began the installation of the storm water lines December 19 and have continued working for the past several weeks. They will continue working on this portion of the project through the winter so that when the weather becomes favorable the interior piping for the new roof drains will be completed and only final connections will be required.

OTHER MATTERS

On December 9, we held our annual December Graduate Recognition Ceremony honoring 189 graduates. There were more than 300 people in attendance, including 55 graduates, their guests, and faculty and staff. April Beardsley, Acting President of the Student Government Association, spoke on behalf of the students. Jessica Ross, Adjunct Instructor, was selected by the students to provide keynote remarks. Both did an outstanding job. Matt McSherry brought greetings from the Board of Trustees. Manpreet Kaur also attended from the Board of Trustees, together with Michael Lane, Tompkins County Legislative Liaison to the Board of Trustees.

On December 14, we held our annual dish-to-pass holiday lunch for the College community in the Forum.

On December 17, my wife Sue and I attended a Holiday Open House at the home of President and Mrs. Tom Rochon, Ithaca College President.

On December 19, Paul Brenner and I met with John Alexander, founder of CBORD in Ithaca, to discuss possible support for our Childcare Center Campaign.

From December 23 – January 2, the College was closed for the winter break.

From January 2 – January 6, I was on a family vacation.

On January 18, Paul Brenner and I are scheduled to meet with Christy Stearns, Human Resources Manager at BorgWarner, to discuss possible support for our Childcare Center Campaign.

On January 19, we will hold our “Welcome Back” meeting for all faculty and staff.