

January 21, 2026



President's Board of Education Report
Dr. Marshall Mease Roache, President

The following is a summary of the activities I have been involved in on behalf of the college since December 10, 2025. This is not an exhaustive list of my daily work at the college. This list highlights specific activities that align with our college mission, vision, strategies and values.

Internal College Relations

OCCC Board of Education Meeting
OCCC Town Hall All-Staff Meeting
OCCC College Council Meeting (2)
OCCC Welcome Desk (4)
OCCC All-Managers Meeting
OCCC All-Staff Lunch & Learn

External Relations/Partnerships and Collaboration

Newport Rotary Meeting (2)
Lincoln City Rotary Meeting (2)
Toledo Rotary Meeting
Waldport Chamber of Commerce Member Event
City of Newport Leadership Meeting
Yakona Board Member Event
Newport Chamber of Commerce Board Event
Newport Boosters Meeting (2)
Hatfield Center Housing Event
Lincoln County Educational Leaders Meeting
Oregon Coast STEM Hub Leadership Council Meeting
Economic Development Alliance of Lincoln County Board Meeting
Lincoln City Council Meeting
Community College Baccalaureate Association Board Meeting
Newport Chamber of Commerce Luncheon
Senator Merkley Town Hall Meeting

Professional Development

Yaquina Bay Crabbing & Rock Fishing

OCCA/Legislative Relations/OPC/HECC

HECC Commissioners Meeting
OPC January Board Meeting
OCCA Federal Update Call

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Academic & Student Affairs Report

Dr. Bruce Clemetsen, Vice President

ICAP Grant to support adults with disabilities access education is funding two SBDC courses on increasing accessibility in the design of digital advertising.

The annual "I Love My Library" event is in February. This year's event features a presentation by our own Oscar Juarez talking about his journey to the early childhood profession.

Director Riggs has been meeting with Guinn librarian to coordinate student access to both libraries. This will be great for AQS students and STEM students.

GED have a new instructor and anticipates a couple of graduates in the next few weeks.

Financial Aid is beginning to do FAFSA Nights and presentations in the high schools in preparation for 26-27. Already, most high schools have significantly more students who have filed a FAFSA for next year.

We held the first End of Fall Term Faculty Inservice. We worked on quality course design, early structuring of Guided Pathways, reviewing the infusion of AI into classrooms. This has resulted in a continuation of developing transfer pathways based on learning outcomes.

Alison Williams, math, is on the statewide committee to advance the adoption of effective co-requisite math instruction.

Sam Loftus is designing a process for integrating Yakona and "active learning" opportunities for faculty, regardless of discipline. We are finalizing a system for key access that can facilitate classes using Yakona.

The Tenstar Vehicle Simulator has been tested by various students, staff, and visitors to the Commons.

Ben Kaufmann will be conducting leadership training for new student affairs professionals at the annual CSSA student affairs leadership institute.

OCCC has received a 29-month federal grant administered by the state to implement an apprenticeship program for Qualified Mental Health Associate (QMHA) with an emphasis on early childhood. Northwest Oregon Works and LCSD signed on as partners. We are meeting with local mental health providers to establish training sites. The funding assists with program development and provides training sites with some funding to pay the participants. We hope to have 3 participants complete the program using the grant.

Dual Credit registrations of very robust. We believe there will be a significant increase in total DC enrollment for the year.

Academic Honor Roll for Fall Term – Deans List 43, Honors List 13, Presidents List 126

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Engagement Report

Dave Price, Vice President

Foundation

- Staff is currently issuing year-end tax receipts and donor acknowledgements for 2025
- Pearls of Wisdom (full steam ahead!) March 14, 2026
 - Now is the time to purchase your tickets
 - New addition! Pre-gala President's Reception
 - \$22,000 secured for sponsorships with three \$5,000 presenting sponsors this year (12 sponsors to date)
 - 14 general Pearls tickets sold: invitation being mailed week of 1/19
- Foundation scholarship app will open February 1 for the 2026-27 academic year
- Year-end Appeal – final tally pending
- A variety of grant submissions and grant reports underway
- Quarterly Foundation Rising Tide e-newsletter 1/15; next newsletter April 15

Marketing

- Google campaign continues: 176 clicks from served ads the first week of January 2026
- Support for other programs: AQS brochures for upcoming recruitment trip delivered Jan. 15
- AQS National Visiting Committee coffee mugs delivered Jan. 15

Community Education

- Students registered in Real Estate Broker and Real Estate Property Manager courses for W'26; both programs have started and run the balance of the term
- Today, Jan. 21, Waldport campus hosts first "Mixed-Media Collage" course
- More upcoming courses:
 - Saturday, Jan. 24 | Mosaics, Lincoln City
 - Wednesday, Feb. 11 | Watercolor, Waldport
 - Thursday, Feb. 12 | Before the End of Life, Waldport
- Deadline for course proposals for Spring 2026 term: Feb. 18, 2026

SBDC

- SBDC Non-Profit Small Business Management group met today in Lincoln City; presently four SBMs running, including Retail, Restaurant, and Traditional
- Recruitment underway for Youth Entrepreneurship Program, made possible with support from EDALC, NOW, LCSD and other partners

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Administrative Services Report

Robin Gintner, Vice President

Finance:

- Between the Kuali Financial software and the Sage Intaact software, the department made the decision to go with Sage. It is the same finance system that Blue Mountain Community College is using. This will make the implementation faster and easier as Sage will be able to use the BMCC configuration as a guideline for building our system. BMCC is also using Focal for their SIS so the integration between Sage and Focal has already been built and will make the integration of the two software systems significantly easier for both companies. Our intended GoLive date is July 1, 2026.

IT:

- The Fortinet network upgrade has picked up pace. APC power-management units have been delivered, along with Fortinet switches and firewalls and two Dell servers for DNS/DHCP services in Waldport and Lincoln City. Our build-out of these hardware resources will be taking up much of the coming month.
- DarkTrace processed 25Tbs of raw network traffic, conducted 98 Cyber AI Analyst investigations (4 of which led to actioned incidents), and controlled 19 anomalous and potentially dangerous network behaviors in the month of December. DarkTrace's email system scanned 40,413 inbound emails, and 5,538 outbound emails. 4,038 suspect email messages were managed by moving them to Junk, locking suspect Web URLs, or converting the attachments to text.

Facilities and Public Safety:

- The rebuild of the main Uninterrupted Power Supply (UPS) at the Central Campus has finally been completed after originally failing in January 2025 following a severe storm.
- Early work on our new East County location will begin in early February in cooperation with LCSD.
- The reimagining of the OCCC Disaster Cache is underway. This project started out under the College's previous Facilities Director and eventually was lumped in with a group called the South Beach Disaster Cache Committee. Up to now, the emergency cache at the Central Campus has been fully managed in-house but the department is currently working with volunteers from the Disaster Cache Planning Group to give them a higher level of access to the cache and more "ownership" of the project.