



President's Information Report  
August 2022

**NOTABLE:**

The **Northern Arizona Community College Partnership** was approved by the District Governing Board and signed in a ceremony with all four community College Presidents on August 23, 2022. The agreement is with Northland Pioneer College, Mohave Community College, and Yavapai College to share resources to better serve students in northern Arizona. These resources include sharing of courses and other services to extend a more robust level of service to students in the region.



Dr. Chato Hazelbaker (Northland Pioneer College), Dr. Christal Albrecht (Coconino Community College), Dr. Lisa Rhine (Yavapai College), and Dr. Stacey Klippenstein (Mohave Community College)

The **Diversity and Inclusion Committee** will reconvene in September with Dr. Adriana Flores-Church, Executive Director of Human Resources, at the helm. The goal of the Committee is to align the annual goals with the Board Priorities to advance the college's diversity, equity, and accessibility initiatives in measurable ways. The Diversity and Inclusion Committee champions and takes action to build an inclusive work and learning environment.

**Alexis Knapp** was the featured speaker at the **Arizona @ Work Partners** meeting, where she presented on what we do in Workforce Training at CCC.

For the third consecutive year the **CCC Small Business Development Center (SBDC)** was awarded a \$25,000 grant from Wells Fargo Bank for “Small Business Technical Support”.

The SBDC staff attended the State-Wide AZSBDC meeting in Show Low, where the team received several awards for their individual and collective work in 2021. **Cindy Scott** was recognized for economic impact of more than 25 jobs created, 50 jobs retained, sales increase in excess of \$1 million, and capital formation in excess of \$1 million. **Amanda Henry** was recognized for economic impact of more than 25 jobs created and received the Administrative Professionals Award. Both Cindy and Amanda became certified SBDC Counselors and Coconino SBDC was recognized for Annual Goals Attained.

#### **PARTNERSHIPS:**

Dr. Albrecht met with NAU President Dr. Jose Luis Cruz Rivera and discussed the current and future potential collaboration between CCC/NAU. They discussed the work being done by the three CCC VP’s and the three NAU VP’s, renewing and streamlining the IGA between NAU and CCC and the possibility of partnering on the Public Safety Institute.



**Genterra Enterprises** and CCC staff gathered in Page to continue planning for the P3 Student and Workforce Housing project. Genterra also presented an update at the Page City Council meeting.

Senator Kyrsten Sinema and Congressman Tom O'Halleran made trips to Page. Kay Leum met with both representatives to discuss the CCC Page Student and Workforce Housing project.



*Kay Leum, Congressman O'Halleran, and Chuck Sharp, Director of CTE programs for Page High School*

**Alexis Knapp, CCC's Workforce Training Coordinator**, is continuing her work with the City of Williams and the businesses in their community. The August Learning Series topic was "Why Visit Williams," where participants learned more about the history of Williams and resources around the community and engaged with other businesses and organizations. Participation is between 13-16 Williams staff members representing several businesses.

**Ken Myers, Construction Management & Technology**, Alexis Knapp, and Kay Leum toured the new Zenni Home manufacturing plant located outside of Page at the previous site of the Navajo Generating Station. Zenni Home makes container-style tiny homes using steel. The homes will be shipped all over the country. Currently, 30 people are employed at the plant, with plans to grow that number to approximately 130. CCC is anticipating opportunities for collaboration with training and internships.



### SPECIAL EVENTS AND MEETINGS:

- COVID Testing every Friday and Saturday
- Crisis Incident Staff Debrief
- Coconino County Primary Election Voting Station
- Dietrich Sauer Memorial
- New Faculty Orientation
- Navajo Code Talker Day
- Welcome Back Breakfast
- All Faculty Meeting
- Home Cross-Country Meet at Buffalo Park
- Connections Fair
- Community Resource Fair
- Clubs and Organizations Fair

### CCC IN THE NEWS:

Sept. 2, 2022: Inside Higher Ed – “community colleges strain to hire instructors in technical fields.”

<https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2022/09/02/two-year-colleges-strain-hire-instructors-technical-fields>

Aug. 29, 2022: Arizona Daily Sun – “Fall semester starts at NAU, CCC.” [https://azdailysun.com/news/local/education/fall-semester-starts-at-northern-arizona-university-coconino-community-college/article\\_d4d29ed2-27d5-11ed-bbe6-6b7075afb1bd.html](https://azdailysun.com/news/local/education/fall-semester-starts-at-northern-arizona-university-coconino-community-college/article_d4d29ed2-27d5-11ed-bbe6-6b7075afb1bd.html)

Aug. 17, 2022: Arizona Daily Sun – “‘I need reminding’: Son of Code Talker attends event at CCC.” [https://azdailysun.com/news/local/i-need-reminding-son-of-code-talker-attends-event-at-coconino-community-college/article\\_15541a6c-1e8a-11ed-818d-6307fed95bf9.html](https://azdailysun.com/news/local/i-need-reminding-son-of-code-talker-attends-event-at-coconino-community-college/article_15541a6c-1e8a-11ed-818d-6307fed95bf9.html)

Aug. 16, 2022: Navajo-Hopi Observer – “Navajo student sets sight on college following CCC’s Summer Bridge program.” <https://www.nhnews.com/news/2022/aug/16/navajo-student-sets-sight-college-following-cccs-s/>

Aug. 15, 2022: Lake Powell Chronicle – “Sinema visits Page, tours Lake Powell.” <https://lakepowellchronicle.com/article/sinema-visits-page-tours-lake-powell>

Aug. 10, 2022: Navajo-Hopi Observer – “CCC hosts Navajo Code Talker Day event Aug. 15.” <https://www.nhnews.com/news/2022/aug/10/coconino-community-college-hosts-navajo-code-talke/>

Aug. 9, 2022: Williams News – “Interim president selected for CCC.” <https://www.williamsnews.com/news/2022/aug/09/interim-president-selected-coconino-community-coll/>

## **OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT:**

### **Presidential Designee**

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### **Meetings of Interest**

- 8/16/22    Executive Leadership Council Retreat
- 8/16/22    Meeting with Chair White
- 8/16/22    Meeting with Dr. Southerland, Direct Report
- 8/17/22    District Governing Board Meeting
- 8/18/22    Meeting with Larry Hendricks, Direct Report
- 8/18/22    Meeting with Jami Van Ess, Direct Report
- 8/18/22    Meeting with Bob Voytek from Financial Aid
- 8/19/22    Welcome Back Breakfast
- 8/19/22    Meeting with Trustee Smith
- 8/19/22    Meeting with Lloyd Hammonds
- 8/19/22    Meeting with Dianna Sanchez, Foundation
- 8/19/22    Meeting with Adriana Flores-Church
- 8/19/22    Executive Leadership Council Meeting

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- 8/21/22 Attended NALA Family BBQ with Nat & Jean White
- 8/22/22 NACCP Discussion with Dr. Southerland
- 8/22/22 Meeting with Tony Williams
- 8/22/22 VP3 Meeting
- 8/23/22 Campus Tour
- 8/23/22 Meeting with Chair White
- 8/23/22 Signing of the Northern Arizona Community College Partnership
- 8/24/22 AC4 Retreat – Little America
- 8/24/22 Open Forum – CTE Dean Candidate
- 8/25/22 AC4 Retreat – Little America
- 8/26/22 Meeting with search consultant Bill Holda
- 8/26/22 Meeting - Juniper Point/Capstone Easement
- 8/26/22 Open Forum – CTE Dean Candidate
- 8/26/22 Meeting with Dr. Southerland and CTE Dean Candidate
- 8/29/22 Tour Fourth Street Campus
- 8/29/22 Meeting with NAU President Dr. Jose Luis Cruz Rivera
- 8/29/22 City Council Meeting Introduction
- 8/30/22 Diversity Meeting with Brian Francis, Derik Yellowhair, Juanita Tarango, Cheyenne Grabiec, Sonjia Jones, and Adriana Flores-Church
- 8/30/22 Meeting with Gail Jackson - ECoNA
- 8/30/22 Meeting with Dr. Southerland
- 8/31/22 Meeting with Julie Pastrick – Greater Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce
- 8/31/22 Inside Higher Ed Interview
- 8/31/22 Public Safety Needs Meeting with Richard Travis & Nate Southerland

**Upcoming Presidential Travel**

- 9/12/22 Tour of Page Campus & Meet with City Leaders