



*Sixteen Colleges. One Voice.*

**From the Desk of the Executive Director:**

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**MACC Board Elects Officers for 2011.** The Board of Directors of MACC met on June 24 and elected the following officers for fiscal 2011:

President: Dr. James H. Johnson, Jr., Trustee, Anne Arundel Community College

Treasurer: Dr. Donald Gabriel, Trustee, Baltimore City Community College

Trustee-at-Large: Donna Horgan, Trustee, Cecil College

Ex-Officio (Past President): Bryan Kelly, Trustee, Harford Community College

In accordance with the MACC Bylaws, the Maryland Council of Community College Presidents (MCCCCP) has selected the following presidents to serve on the MACC Executive Committee:

Dr. Carol Eaton, President, Frederick Community College, MCCCCP Chair and MACC Vice President

Dr. Guy Altieri, President, Hagerstown Community College, MCCCCP Vice Chair

Dr. Charlene Dukes, President, Prince George's Community College

Dr. Barbara Viniar, President, Chesapeake College

The Board also unanimously approved the MACC budget for fiscal 2011 that includes the addition of a new staff position **Director of Workforce Development**. The position is projected to be filled by October 1.

**Carroll Community College Holds Seventeenth Commencement.** I was honored to be the commencement speaker for Carroll Community College on May 26 at McDaniel College. President **Faye Pappalardo** and Board Chair **Barbara Biller** led the ceremonies honoring over 400 degree and certificate recipients. Though I have attended many commencements over the years, I always enjoy the sense of excitement and accomplishment from the graduates and their families. The Carroll Community College graduates were inspiring and filled with promise for future success.

**Montgomery College Names New President.** The Montgomery College Board of Trustees has named **DeRionne P. Pollard** as the next president of Montgomery College, effective August 2. She is currently president of Las Positas College in Livermore, California. She began her community college career as a professor of English at College

of Lake County (IL) in 1995, rising to vice president of educational affairs, before joining Las Positas College.

**Maryland Joins Complete College America.** Earlier this month, I was honored to be part of a team led by Secretary of Higher Education **James E. Lyons, Sr.** representing Maryland at the Complete College America (CCA) alliance of states in Nashville. CCA is a consortium of 22 states backed by funding from several major foundations and focused on improving postsecondary completion rates, particularly at community colleges. The CCA states are pledged to adopt aggressive goals for increasing postsecondary credentials, including degrees and workforce-related certificates, and to work within the state and with each other to realize these goals. The CCA goals are closely aligned with those of the National Governor's Association, which will be officially announced next month. Improving postsecondary completion is a major issue across the country and in Maryland, where CCA includes the Governor's Office, MACC, MHEC, USM, and MICUA, among others.

**MACC Board Adopts Resolution Honoring Delegate Heller.** At the June meeting, the MACC Board adopted a Resolution expressing our appreciation for the many years of public service by retiring Delegate Henry B. Heller (Montgomery County). Delegate Heller served 23 years in the Maryland House of Delegates and worked tirelessly during that time advocating on behalf of community colleges and the students we serve. Delegate Heller is a graduate of Montgomery College and co-authored the Cade formula used for the last fifteen years to try and increase the level of state support for community colleges. He is a true champion for students, and he will be missed in the General Assembly.