

COLORADO NORTHWESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

"The mission of Colorado Northwestern Community College is to enhance people's lives by providing accessible, affordable, quality education"

SBCCOE Board Meeting President's Report Lisa Jones, Ph.D.- President May 2023



Figure 1-Dual focus picture of Rangely and Craig Campuses

A. Transforming the Student Experience

National Cyber League 2023 Spring Season

The National Cyber League (NCL) is an inclusive, performance-based, learning-centered collegiate cybersecurity competition.

The NCL enables students to prepare and test themselves against practical cybersecurity challenges that they will likely face in the workforce, such as identifying hackers from forensic data, pen testing and auditing vulnerable websites, recovering from ransomware attacks, and much more.

It is a community and virtual training ground that allow students to develop and demonstrate their technical cybersecurity skills, helping students bridge the gap from curriculum to career. Two competitions are held each year. One in the Fall and one in the Spring.

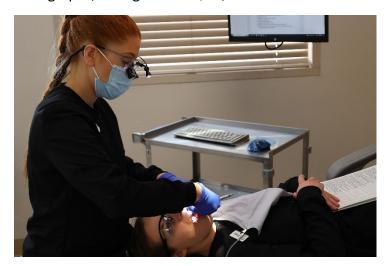
CNCC's Cybersecurity program director engaged his students in the league's Spring competition for the first time. In early April, individual students competed with one placing in the top 40%, 11 placing in the top 30%, and 3 placing in the top 10%

On April Apr 14 - Apr 16, 2023, teams competed. There were 3593 national team competitors. CNCC entered three teams. The official results were recently released with one of CNCC's teams ranking in the **top 10%** and the other two in the **top 05%**

II CNCC Dental Hygiene Students- Doing Well and Doing Good

The Dental Hygiene class of 2023 had a **100% pass rate** for their Central Regional Dental Testing Services (CRDTS) exams.

First year students provided complimentary care to Rangely and Dinosaur school children from 2/28/23-4/4/23 including CAMBRA screening, OHI, SDF placement, sealants, prophy, and radiographs, saving families \$43,901.00 in oral health care.



Second year students participated in rotations to the local long term care facility and Eagle Crest senior center once a month from October through April 2023. The provided SPR, PMT, fluoride OHI, denture care, and oral screenings. The total savings to residents was \$4,631.00.

III Basketball Camp

The following youth camp was conceived of and created by graduating student and CNCC women's basketball player, Carolynn "Speedy" Washington.



IV Increasing awareness of CNCC and building enrollment pipelines.

CNCC used Perkins funding to partner with CareerFocus, a company that creates personalized career and technical education magazines. The College crafted one magazine in January targeted to adult learners in 22,000 households across multiple counties. The second magazine targeted high schoolers, mailing 22,000 magazines to homes across these same counties. Along with hard copy magazines, CNCC's CareerFocus magazines appear on the CareerFocus microsite:

- 1. January- Adult Learners- https://cncc.mycareerfocus.org/spring-2023-volume-1-issue-1/
- 2. April- High Schoolers- https://cncc.smartstartcollege.org/spring-2023-volume-1-issue-1/

<u>Create Education without Barriers through Transformation Partnerships</u>

II CNCC President, Lisa Jones is a founding member of Joint Organizations Leading Transition (JOLT). Founding leaders are Ray Beck and Rose Pugliese. JOLT's goals are to ADVOCATE for our unique area in Northwest Colorado and how we continue to provide, produce and utilize energy; COMMUNICATE with you about topics in energy that affect us all, and, EDUCATE attendees about Energy options.



The committee is presenting a first annual energy conference to be held in Craig, CO on June 2 and 3, 2023. The information is below:

Northwest Colorado Energy Summit Presented By

Joint Organizations Leading Transition (JOLT)

Quality Inn, Craig Colorado

June 2- 3, 2023

Friday, 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Saturday, 8 a.m. - Noon

The Northwest Colorado Energy Summit (NWCES) is a two-day event that will bring together speakers who care about energy sources and usage. During the NWCES, we will hear from experts on all of the above energy options and the future of energy in Colorado and beyond.

Our Speakers List:

Former U.S. Secretary of the Interior, David Bernhardt
Colorado School of Mines, Gregory Clough
Director of Global Affairs for Sempra, Melissa Simpson
Day Weather Meteorologist, Don Day
Gateway for Accelerated Innovation in Nuclear, Christine King Guzman
Energy-Industrial Solar, Robin Lunt
Blackhills Energy, Jason Auslander
Power Company of Wyoming, Kara Choquette; and others.

To ensure full participation, and keep costs low, the following sponsors donated funds for this educational venture:

Tri-State Generation & Transmission, Xcel Energy, Jackson County, Mesa County, Moffat County, Rio Blanco County, Garfield County, Montrose County, Delta County, Colorado Mesa University, Trapper

Mine, Rocky Mountain Mining Institute, Delta-Montrose Electric, Black Hills Energy, Colorado Attorney General's office, Grand Valley Power, and Mark and Kathy Fackler

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I DEI Presentations attended by faculty and staff and presented by Dr. Rickey Frierson on Unconscious Bias. March 2023



Redefine our Value Proposition through Accessibility, Affordability, Quality, Accountability, Resource Development and Operational Excellence

Congressionally Directed Spending- Focus: Residence Hall renovation

Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) project to renovate resident halls is being supported by Gov. Hickenlooper's office. However, CNCC was asked to reduce ask from \$5M to \$2.5M. If the project is funded, CNCC plans to renovate spaces, upgrade or repair plumbing and electrical equipment, and replace the Ross roof. This will help with one of three buildings in desperate need of upgrades.

II Operational Updates-Finance and Administration

- 1. **BLM Land Purchase**: Purchase has been made.
 - We have not yet received the deed.
 - CNCC is still awaiting approval of Right of Way access to the property and road improvements.

2. Business Office:

• <u>Accounts Receivable Coordinator</u>: Started April 3rd. Janet Mackay will assist with Bursar responsibility training beginning April 10th.

3. FY24 Budget Process:

- Attending Business Officer meeting in Denver on April 7th during which we should receive answers to many of the open items listed below.
- FY24 Governor's Budget Summary Highlights:
 - State Operating Funds contingent upon College performance on Step 1 and Step 2
 State mandated performance measurements.
 - Resident Tuition is capped at 4% increase.
 - o Non-Resident Tuition is not capped, but 5.5% is assumed.
 - o Classified Employee salary increases set at 5%.
 - CNCC is working with the system office to recommend a 5% increase for regular faculty and exempt staff.
 - o Increases to Mandatory Fees (SAF, SGA, HW, TECH) are capped at 8.1%.
- Building the CNCC Budget:
 - o Will provide an updated FY24 Budget Project Plan at our next board meeting.
 - o February 24, 2023 College Fees and Room & Board Requests submitted.
 - o FY24 Dept Budget Request distributed on February 20, 2023.
 - Most department budget recommendations were received on time.
- 4. Tax Board Budgets:
 - o FY23 Reallocation Requests We are implementing approved items.
 - o FY24 Proposed Budgets Still need to meet RJCD in planning meeting.
- FY24 Capital Budget Controlled Maintenance: CNCC has two (2) projects approved in the Governor's FY24 Budget. Both CNCC projects improved in ranking, but not yet approved. Now being reviewed by JBC:
 - o Replace Hefley Building Roof \$1,152,188.00
 - o Replace Chilled Systems, Repair Cooling Tower (Rangely) \$620,032.00
- 6. CNCC Grant & Capital Projects: Update is attached for your review.

Project Status Update

Blakeslee/Allsebrook Roof & Window Project – On hold due to weather.

Architect:	Blythe Group +co
GC:	Classic Contractors, Pitt Roofing
Status/Discussion	Blakeslee roof is 80% complete, Pitt Roofing to return weather permitting.
Topics	Metal fascia and gutters will be next, will not be disruptive.
Milestone Dates	
	Project Closeout – On hold
Budget	Original: \$717,475
	Transfer \$100K from Access Control (\$817,45)
	Current Contract Totals: \$823,614.86
	Project Balance: \$6K

IT Infrastructure Project - On Track

Architect:	BG Building works
GC:	ConvergeOne, Inc.
Status/Discussion	Construction begins April 10 th with fiber backbone scope. Interior cabling will begin
Topics	the first week of June. Schedule will be put out to each building to give staff/faculty notice.
	CNCC will apply for supplemental funds in the CC/IT budget request process in May 2023 to support the remainder of scope.
Milestone Dates	
	 Begin Construction – April 10^{th,}
	Finish Construction – 70 workdays
Budget	• \$1.9M
	Construction Budget: \$762K
	ConvergeOne Contract Amount: \$743K
	Will Change Order in Airport scope of work, approx. \$80K.

III Foundation-Fundraising Efforts

As of April 5, 2023, \$325,747.05 was raised toward a goal of \$410,000 (79%) by June 30, 2023