**Sauk Valley Community College**

**September 25, 2017**

**Agenda Item 3.1.1**

**Topic: Recognition of Student Government**

**Strategic Direction: Goal 2, Objective 6 – Improve semester-to-semester retention rates**

**Presented By: Dr. David Hellmich and Dr. Jon Mandrell**

**Presentation:**

Student Government is a vital part of campus life at the College. It allows students to have a say in important decisions for the SVCC campus. Responsibilities of Student Government include representing the student body to the SVCC administration, sponsoring campus-wide activities, serving on college-wide committees, recognizing new student organizations, allocating programming money to new and existing student organizations, and completing community service activities.

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**Agenda Item 3.1.2**

**Topic: Recognition of Agriculture Program Support by Culver’s of Dixon**

**Strategic Direction: Goal 1, Objective 2 – Be responsive to community needs by offering new and appropriate academic programs and classes**

**Presented By: Dr. David Hellmich and Dr. Lori Cortez**

**Presentation:**

In April, Kayla Halfacre, who is Owner/Operator of Dixon Culver's, met with Dr. Lori Cortez, Dean of Foundation, to discuss a possible partnership. Kayla shared that Culver's is very dedicated to supporting agriculture, in particular, local agriculture. At that time, SVCC was in the process of implementing a new Agriculture program. Kayla and Lori decided on several events that would allow Culver's to support SVCC's Agriculture program. Those events, which generated a total of $10,934, included Donate a Dollar, A Scoop of Thanks, Change Day, and Share Day.

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**Agenda Item 3.1.3**

**Topic: Energy Usage**

**Strategic Direction: Goal 1, Objective 3 – Be operationally efficient in order to maintain a low cost of attendance for students**

**Presented By: Dr. David Hellmich, Frank Murphy, and Dr. Steve Nunez**

**Presentation:**

In 2015, the College received a grant to have energy gauges installed on the incoming power feed from ComEd. These gauges were designed to provide a live visualization of the building’s power usage and store historical data for 30 years. Staff from the Facilities and Information Services departments have been actively monitoring the live data feed and looking at past trends to see if electrical usage could be reduced, resulting in savings from the operating fund. Additionally, a new building automation system was installed this year that allows for better control of the HVAC system.

An overview will be given of the year-over-year energy reductions that have resulted in monthly electrical savings of $4,000 - $7,000.

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**Agenda Item 3.1.4**

**Topic: College and Career Pathways**

**Strategic Direction: Goal 2, Objective 8 – Improve the degree and certificate completion rates**

**Presented By: Dr. David Hellmich and Dr. Jon Mandrell**

**Presentation:**

At the most recent Northern Illinois Regional P-20 Network meeting on September 6 at Northern Illinois University (NIU), Dr. Jon Mandrell gave an update to the 200+ educators present on the group’s progress on college and career pathways for grades 9 – 16. The sample pathways depicted seamless transitions from Sterling High School to SVCC to NIU.