

January 9, 2014 Forums, Barton Campus

Good comments were received on the Professional Development sessions.  
Dr. Heilman extended thanks to those that coordinated and have attended.

For future forums on the Barton campus, President Heilman identified there would be one forum instead of two for the remainder of the semester on Barton campus.

State Legislature will convene January 13th.

Barton Board of Trustees will meet with legislators in Topeka, January 15th in their offices for face to face conversations; 4 Trustees plan to attend.

The Legislature is focused on accountability/usage of dollars with dollars going for specific targeted measures. Legislators are looking favorably at SB155.

Trustees looking at Tuition and fees, as well as legislature; Barton is currently positioned at number 9 out of 19 community colleges. Barton continues to show enrollment increases where many other CC are not. With continued growth, the current recommendation is to hold where we are at for tuition and fees. Revenue is increased through a growing enrollment. The College will continue to watch dollars expended. Bartonline enrollment now account for 40% of total enrollments. Barton enrollments used to be 1/3 Barton campus, 1/3 Military, 1/3 Bartonline. The College will continue to do what is right for Barton students and taxpayers. There has been no mil levy increases for 5 years.

Community Colleges are looking at tuition and fees of Kansas Universities and other Community Colleges.

FY15 budget development -

Not rich/not poor doing well.

Limit capital projects to needed maintenance of current facilities

Priorities for upcoming budget planning:

Welding program

OSHA - regional provider of safety and industry training

Bartonline budget will increase to full funding, with the Title III grant coming to an end, to include the wages and benefits of those employees.

Faculty salaries will be given consideration in the budget.

Healthcare Act will continue to be a budget consideration and how it will impact benefits.

Student Scholarships

Current considerations

Prison Programming- applications are being prepared for 8 adult correctional facilities; 2 juvenile applications to be submitted in varying formats.

Barton is looking at an IT Microsoft Academy at the request of the State.

Barton is working cooperatively with a consortium of high schools.

Fort Sill has made a request for Barton to sub contract Military Programs.

Questions/Comments:

Rick Abel inquired of developmental education.

Kay Robinson commented on E-cigarettes; she does not want it banned. It was identified that the College is waiting for FDA rulings.

Rick Bealer asked Dr. Heilman what frustrates him about Barton County CC? Dr Heilman replied that it would be the challenges and sorting through what you can and can't do. Dr. Heilman also commented there is no shortage of motivated people at Barton County Community College.

Darnell announced that the Foundation Clay Shoot is going to be held at Camp Aldrich instead of LaSada to keep in the county.

A question was raised as to where the income derived from the oil drilling at Camp Aldrich would be spent. It was identified that all mineral rights and money derived from the oil drilling must be put back into Camp Aldrich. The College will continue to look at opportunities for Camp Aldrich.

A question to the Foundation was asked regarding the size of their endowments. Darnell replied there is a little of 7 million in investments.

CTE Month begins next week.

An opportunity with Department of Agriculture on Weights and Measures for students to learn the trade is in discussion.