President’s Report
Everette J. Freeman, President
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Transform the student experience.

Student Leadership Symposium
E. Freeman attended the Student Leadership Symposium which was comprised of CCD student leaders from Student Government Association, TRIO and other student organization officers, as well as work-study students. The purpose of the symposium is to give student leaders the basic tools they need to start the year off right. The symposium then expanded into what it means to be a leader, how to be a great leader and to equip them with the skills they need to be effective, professional and respected. This was also a great time for the students to have a more personal interaction with E. Freeman and listen to a pep talk from him, as well as be able to ask him questions.

Transform our own workforce experience.

Diversity and Inclusion Council Refocuses on Purpose
Incoming co-chairs Tommy Williams and Danielle Langworthy will be taking on CCD’s Diversity and Inclusion Council (DaIC) with plans to reenergize the council on integration of diversity and inclusion best practices within our community. The new co-chairs are excited to build on the three previous initiatives: work with HR to improve diversity of job applicants; work with GLBT Student Services to supply a CCD GLBT training; continue the Diversity and Inclusion Award to recognize significant achievements of developing a culturally diverse, competent and inclusive campus community.

Create education without barriers through transformational partnerships.

CCD Visits Lincoln Technical College of Technology to Build Partnership
E. Freeman and Dean of Career and Technical Education, Chris Budden, visited the Lincoln College of Technology for a tour of the facility and to share training information. E. Freeman and C. Budden came back from the tour with new ideas regarding how to recognize and reward students for their studies and work produced based on the badging model Lincoln Tech employs. It was also a learning experience of how CCD’s new Advanced Manufacturing Center (AMC) can grow to be more competitive and cutting edge. The executives from Lincoln Tech have slated a day in September to come tour CCD’s AMC to begin conversations of how we can collaborate on their students matriculating to CCD.

Ball Aerospace Visits CCD and Begins Talk of Internships
Ball Aerospace & Technologies Corp’s Director of Manufacturing and Test Operations, Manufacturing Operations Manager and Machine Shop Manager came to CCD for a tour of our of Graphic Design program and Advanced Manufacturing Center as well as a meeting with our Director of Workforce
Initiatives. Ball Aerospace has since circled back with CCD in regards to starting an internship pathway with the Machining program which in the past has only been offered to 4-year institutions. They also have provided the name of a potential new adjunct faculty from their retired employee ranks.

*Redeine our value proposition through accessibility, affordability, quality, accountability, resource development, and operational excellence.*

**CCD Foundation Receives $40,000 through Denver Post Charities**
The Community College of Denver Foundation received a $40,000 grant through Denver Post Charities, a McCormick Foundation Fund, with funds raised from the Season to Share campaign. The grant funding will support CCD’s Urban Male Initiative (UMI) mentor program for low-income males of color. UMI’s goal is to serve CCD’s urban male students by recognizing the unique challenges they face as well as provide them with academic resources and educational planning assistance through mentoring. Through UMI, CCD works to develop these students as leaders by helping them invest in their own intellectual capital, build meaningful relationships, and attain skills, such as compassion, civility, integrity, and listening.

**Other News**

**VP Search**
CCD is currently in the process of hiring a Vice President of Administration and a Chief Academic Officer. We hope to have both positions filled by then end of this calendar year.