

Special Edition: Coronavirus Communication 6

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Good Evening:

Today the Executive Cabinet met by Zoom video conferencing for their weekly Tuesday morning meeting. As you may think, the topics centered around our response to the coronavirus crisis. EC members reported that everyone is working together and making it happen for our students. Some of you have some uncertainty about using the technology to get the job done, but you are committed to getting up to speed. We are transforming to a temporary virtual college and I am pleased with our progress.

All events taking place in our facilities have been postponed or canceled through April. You received an email announcement earlier today stating that we will reschedule the All-Employee Retiree Reception to a later date. We have also canceled all presentations in the community.

We planned next week's All-Employee College Meeting which will be live-streamed on March 26, 3 p.m. – 5 p.m. AVP Espinosa will be sending out the link to the streaming event with instructions on how to participate. ASL Interpreters will be present. I am looking forward to hearing from you.

We are monitoring legislation pertaining to the crisis including the Family First Act and the proposed federal stimulus package.

The Executive Cabinet discussed the impact on the College if the temporary virtual college accommodations last longer than expected. We discussed several resolutions that could lessen a negative impact.

Decisions made:

In order to limit traffic in our College buildings, all exterior access doors will be locked from March 23, 2020 to April 5, 2020. If you are required to be on campus during this period of time and do not possess an exterior door key, please contact our Department of Public Safety at

762-0222 for access. Please note, for everyone's safety, you may be required to provide a Faculty/Staff ID.

The only building exceptions are the sites that have Michigan Works! as a tenant and the glass sliding doors on the south entrance of the Bistro in the Curtice-Mott Complex. The sliding doors will be open Monday – Thursday, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. to allow students computer and wifi access in CM 1135/1136 while using social distancing seating arrangements.

We will change the website front slide to show that the College is open for business using telework and telelearning options.

Public Safety will have someone scheduled to work in the security booth who will provide directions during the telework/telelearning time period.

Looking Forward,

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