

Operational Assembly: Hilary Meyer provided highlights on various activities and initiatives at the college, including Information Technology, DEI, Adult Education, Research, Finance, Advising, Registration, etc. An item of special interest was the aggressive timeline for a website redesign, which will start in January 2025 and completion in December 2025. Suggestions from the college community will be collected as part of the design process.

Academic Senate: Beth Dunn reported on the Senate meeting of November 12, noting these new Senate Subcommittee Chairs: Assessment – Larry Manno; Professional Development – Gail Krahenbuhl; Campus Quality – Alec Lisec; OETC – still no Chair. She announced that Academic Senate is converting to Blackboard Ultra over the winter break, and the meeting link will be updated for 2025.

College Council Goal 3 – Employee Engagement for Strategic Plan: Purva DeVol reported that the current Strategic Plan is in its final year, ending June 30, 2025. A new Strategic Plan, to begin on July 1, 2025 will be developed with new committees formed with new goals and action plans. Employee engagement will be sought for input into the Strategic Plan through a variety of means including inperson and virtual meetings and surveys.

College Council Goal 2 – Artificial Intelligence: A video on Artificial Intelligence was shown, followed by a discussion among Council members about the concept of AI literacy, and different departmental needs for using AI as a tool.

Early College Programs in Clarifying Pathways: Dean Alexandria Terrazas provided information about Early College Programs at Triton College, and the opportunities available to high school students. This includes Dual Credit, Dual Enrollment, and Dual Degree. These programs impact students with exposure to academically rigorous courses, creating an affinity to Triton, and saving time and money toward a college education, resulting in a higher likelihood of graduating high school and completing a college degree.

Happy Thanksgiving was wished to all!