

GCCC Trustees

Garden City Community College is governed by an elected board of six Finney County citizens, who employ a policy governance system in which trustees set guidelines and parameters, and the college president takes responsibility for managing and achieving objectives.

GCCC is led by Carol E. Ballantyne, Ph.D., president

GCCC Board of Trustees 2007-2008

- Dr. Bill Clifford
- Marilyn Douglass, ARNP, 2007-08 chair
- Ron Schwartz
- Steve Sterling
- Dr. Lauren Welch
- Terri Worf, ARNP, 2006-07 chair

Dr. Lauren Welch retired from the board June 30, 2007 and was replaced July 1 by Della Brandenburger

Public input

The GCCC Board of Trustees represents the people of Finney County. The board welcomes views, opinions and suggestions from the public. Calls, correspondence and attendance at monthly meetings are welcome. The board also maintains a dedicated e-mail address for public input:

trustees@gcccks.edu

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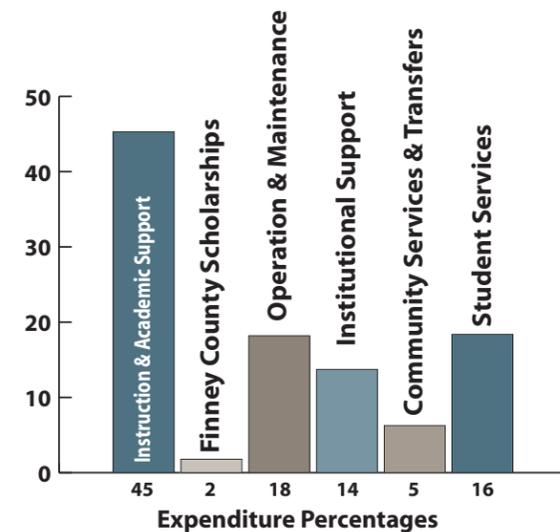
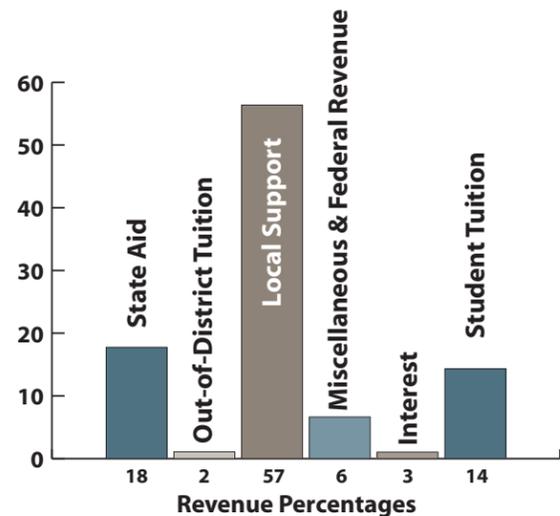
Cover:
GCCC students packing tornado relief supplies for the people of Greensburg; the new fire services training facility on campus, a shared project of GCCC and the City of Garden City, shown during construction; the GCCC Student and Community Services Center, dedicated Oct. 28, 2007.

Inside:
The full cast of "Sweeney Todd" on the set of the 2006 GCCC fall musical production; Cyd Stein, GCCC broadcasting instructor, receiving a \$75,000 gift from Coleen Jennison, Cox Communications director of governmental affairs; GCCC saddle bronc rider Cort Scheer mirroring the college's Broncbuster athletic mascot in action at the College National Finals Rodeo; cover of the new campus literary magazine, Carpe Verbum.

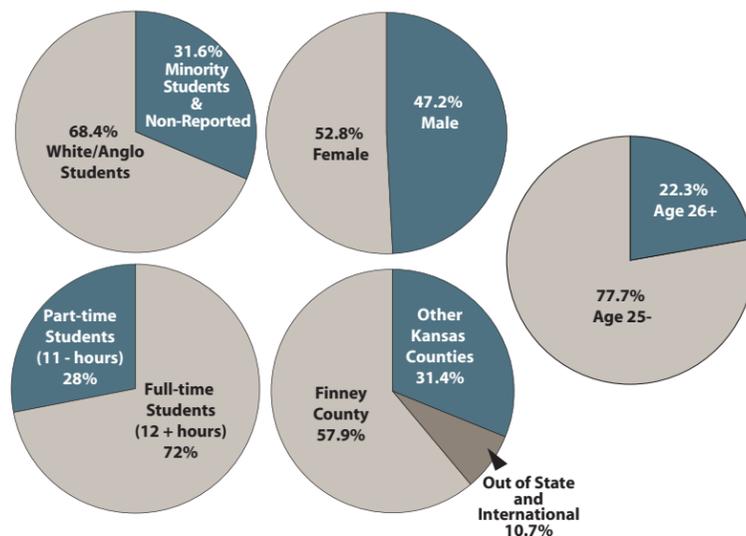
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FINANCIAL PICTURE

During 2006-2007, GCCC operated with overall education fund expenditures of \$14,689,272 and revenues of \$15,908,223.



STUDENT PROFILE



2006 - 2007

ANNUAL REPORT



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Introduction

A report to the people of Finney County from the Garden City Community College Board of Trustees.

This report, covering the year that concluded June 30, 2007, is part of an annual effort to outline achievements reached and challenges faced by the community's college. Primary objectives for the year included:

- Helping Students Learn
- Leading and Communicating
- Planning Continuous Improvement

GCCC's mission is to produce people who contribute positively to society and the economy, focusing on five key outcomes:

- Essential skills
- Work preparedness
- Academic advancement
- Personal enrichment
- Workforce development

Accomplishments

HELPING STUDENTS LEARN

The college received the first installment of a five-year, \$75,000 grant from Cox Communications and established the **Cox Media Center** to educate students for radio and TV careers.

In partnership with the City of Garden City, construction began on campus for a shared **fire service training tower** and adjacent classroom facilities that will be used by the Garden City Fire Department and GCCC Fire Science Program.

The **Nursing Department** used a Kansas Regents grant to create a robotic patient simulation lab, in partnership with St. Catherine Hospital, for stronger nursing education.

Nursing Program graduates obtained a 100 percent passing rate on state board exams.

A group of seven students and local residents explored Germany for 10 days in GCCC's first **international learning excursion**, led by Debate Coach Mark Jarmer and Library Services Director Trent Smith.

The **Theater Department** conducted a series of full house productions, including the musical "Sweeney Todd" and a debut adaptation of the Paddy Chayefsky TV and movie classic, "Marty."



The **Art Department** staged the first-ever Six By Six Art Show and Sale, featuring 70 original six-inch square works of art and raising funds for an educational art trip to Santa Fe, NM.

The **Southwest Kansas Music Academy** conducted a second year of activities, including performances by the Southwest Kansas Children's Choir, a new First Steps in Music Program and a series of individual voice and instrument lessons.

More than 300 area high school musicians played during **Band Day** 2006, concluding with a Broncbuster football half-time show Oct. 20 in Memorial Stadium.

GCCC trumpet player **Keena Crone** and clarinet performer **Haley Krehbiel** were named to the elite Kansas Intercollegiate Band, and performed at the Kansas Music Educators Conference.

Eleven student athletes earned NJCAA **Academic All American** status.

The GCCC **Endowment Association** provided over \$376,000 in scholarship assistance to 763 students; raised \$75,899 in the 2006 Fall Scholarship Development Campaign, including the annual Phonathon; and over \$129,000 in gross receipts at the 2007 scholarship auction.

Nearly 680 adults and children participated in Kids' College and life enrichment programs offered by the **Community Services Division**, while 726 participants received **Business and Industry Institute** training.

The **campus newspaper**, Silhouette, earned the 2007 Apple Award from College Media Advisers, Inc., plus a Gold Medal in Associated Collegiate Press competition. The **campus magazine**, Break Away, earned the All-Kansas Award in Associated Collegiate Press competition, and Journalism Instructor Laura York earned CMA's Distinguished Adviser Award.

The college began publishing Carpe Verbum, a new **annual literary magazine**.

The Associated College Press named GCCC students **Brian Nelson**, Garden City, Collegiate Journalist of the Year for Kansas, and **Julian Ortiz**, Ulysses, state runner up.

Adult Learning Center student **Miguel A. Rodriguez** earned the top score in Kansas among men and women completing their GED high school equivalency testing in Spanish.

The GCCC **Academic Challenge Team** finished the year as one of the top four teams in Kansas.

The GCCC **Forensics and Debate Team** earned GCCC's first silver sweepstakes trophy in national tournament competition.

LEADING & COMMUNICATING

The college completed and opened the three-level, two-story, 19,200-square foot GCCC **Student and Community Services Center**.

GCCC earned a **public approval rating of 96.8 percent** in a scientific study of public perceptions, and gathered data throughout the college's seven-county service area to better meet local and area needs and desires.

The college used the departure of the dean of learning services to **reorganize and streamline** the administrative structure.

GCCC received a positive report after hosting a **U.S. Office of Civil Rights** review.

The Rodeo Team sent two riders to the College National Finals Rodeo, where GCCC saddle bronc rider **Cort Scheer** earned eighth in the nation.

The **Allied Health Program** expanded GCCC-based Paramedic training to Colby, Dodge City and Liberal, and began offering Seward County Community College-based Respiratory Therapy education in Garden City.

A creation by Ceramics **Instructor Brian McCallum** earned first place at the 10th National Juried Art Exhibition in Liberal's Baker Arts Center, and another piece was chosen for an international exhibition in Lexington, KY.

The **Rodeo Program** earned top community college honors for women's team competition in the Central Plains Region of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association, plus runner up status for the men, and the Most Improved Rodeo Award.

The college and the Garden City Telegram hosted a **Constitution Day** appearance by Clay Jenkinson, who portrays Thomas Jefferson on National Public Radio

Nikki Giovanni, leading figure from the Black Arts Movement of the American Civil Rights era, delivered the community's 2007 **Martin Luther King Day** address at GCCC.

Individuals, programs and organizations across the campus pitched in with **aid to Greensburg** after a devastating tornado ravaged the Kiowa County community.

The GCCC Athletic Hall of Fame inducted **Dr. Michael Baughman**, Garden City; pioneering women's athletics coach **Betty Jo Johns**; and former Athletic Director **Dennis Perryman**.

Retired Athletic Director **Dennis Perryman** received a 2007 Lifetime Service Award from the NJCAA, and the same organization named Assistant Athletic Director **Bob Larson** to the Football Coaches Hall of Fame.

Critical Care Transfer, Inc., Ulysses, a client of the GCCC **Small Business Development Center**, became one of 16 Kansas Businesses of the Year. The SBDC also provided 1,010 hours of consulting to 119 clients, plus 23 training sessions to 170 participants.

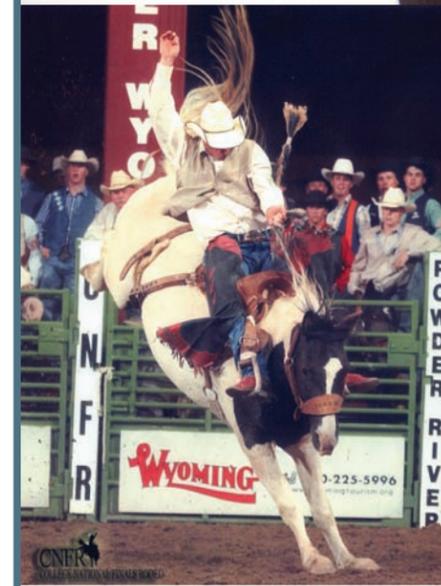
PLANNING CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

GCCC completed a scheduled AQIP systems portfolio, required as a step in maintaining accreditation through the **Academic Quality Improvement Project** of the U.S. Higher Learning Commission, focusing on nine key criteria.

GCCC launched an overhaul of campus **security procedures** and policies, due in part to the Virginia Tech tragedy, and the campus hosted a vigil honoring the fallen students.

The **Broncbuster Athletic Association** conducted a first-ever scholarship poker run leading up to the GCCC football game with Air Force Prep, as well as staging a series of other successful seasonal promotional events.

The GCCC **Public Safety Department** began conducting a series of safety certification sessions for Southwest Kansans seeking lawful concealed handgun permits under the new Kansas Concealed Carry Statute.



Premiere Issue
of
CARPE VERBUM
2007

This literary anthology features written and photographic works of GCCC staff and creative writing students. We hope you will be inspired by their talents and search your own to become part of *Carpe Verbum* 2008.

Watch for submission information beginning in Fall 2007. We invite all GCCC faculty, staff, and students to submit their original works both literary and photographic, securing *Carpe Verbum* as one of GCCC's campus traditions.