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TO: Lane Community College Board of Education

FROM: Dawn DeWolf

Vice President, Academic & Student Affairs

RE: Highlights that are featured as part of the Board Report

COUNSELING & ADVISING:

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On Saturday, January 10, Counseling, Career & Employment Services, and Financial Aid, offered the "How to Pay for College...in One Day!" event, held in the CML on main campus. The event was organized by Jackie Bryson, Career & Employment Services Advisor.

Almost 300 people attended the event held from 8:30-2:30 including high school students, parents, college students, and community members. Lane student workers and Career Advisors helped at the event, and Financial Aid Advisors from Lane and UO were also available throughout the day to help students and parents complete the online FAFSA in a computer lab. Northwest Community Credit Union was the title sponsors, and they had an information table in the lobby and talked with attendees about financial planning and their services.

Four workshops were offered:

- 1) "How to Be a Competitive Applicant": Presented by Beth Landy, Lane Faculty Counselor, and covered strategies for finding scholarships, what committees are looking for, tips for effective essays and applications.
- 2) "Finding Funds for Oregon Students": Presented by Lori Ellis, Aspire Coordinator from the Oregon Office of Student Access & Completion (OSAC), and covered how to apply for OSAC scholarships.
- 3) "Financial Aid Basics" Presented by Chris Hainley, Lane Financial Aid Advisor. His presentation included an overview of the FAFSA application, different types of federal aid, deadlines, timelines and requirements.
- 4) A financial aid and scholarship workshop was presented in Spanish, by Rosa Maria Bañuelos-Uribe, Lane Student Recruitment & Outreach Coordinator, and by Philos Molina, Lane Financial Aid representative.

Lane Community College collaborates with College Goal Oregon to offer this annual event to community members and 4J and Lane students throughout Lane County.

FINANCIAL AID:

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Helen Faith was elected to the position of Ethnic Diversity Action Chair for the Western Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (WASFAA) and will serve as a voting member of WASFAA's Executive Council for the 2015-16 year. WASFAA promotes student financial aid and educational opportunities for students through training and professional development for financial aid administrators in the western region, including Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, and the Pacific Islands.

SOCIAL SCIENCE:

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Wil Sarvis, faculty member in Social Science, wrote a Guest Viewpoint in the December 15, 2014, *Register Guard* entitled "Helping homeless calls for balance."

Steve Candee (political science faculty) and John del Nero (criminal justice faculty) were featured speakers at the Springfield Chamber of Commerce's annual "Springfield Leadership Workshop" on Wednesday, Jan. 7 at the Springfield City Hall. They addressed future Springfield community leaders on how to work with those who have different perspectives toward achieving common community goals.