

# President's Report

## February 2016

### Construction

*Eagle Pass Academic* – Most items are completed, some small items on punch list. Classes are being held in new buildings – students very pleased with new classrooms, library and snackbar. Ribbon Cutting and Dedication scheduled for Friday, February 26 at 1:30pm.

*Eagle Pass Technical Campus* – TXDOT has finally approved the permit to construct the new entry into the new facility. Main Classroom building is complete, work continues on the Diesel and Welding labs.

*Crystal City Library* – We are at a standstill until the City begins and completes the utility re-routing.

### Partnerships

*Dual Credit/Early College High School* –

- We met with Knippa ISD superintendent and representatives on the status of the Knippa Early College High School. We are in the process of updating the MOU for the academic year 2016-2017.
- Dr. Underwood met with Eagle Pass ISD to assist in developing a plan to expand their dual.
- I traveled to Castroville to meet the new Medina Valley Superintendent, he comes from Three Rivers and is a native from D'Hanis. We look forward to continue working with the district.

### Other

*Campus Security* – We have been holding mock drills to assist our faculty/staff and students to be prepared in case of an emergency.

*Achieving the Dream* – Set a goal to increase our graduates from 1009 to 1250 by August 31, 2017 – Our WIG “Wildly Important Goal”. This goal is supported by two sub WIGS or sub goals first increase enrollment from 5600 to 6000 by Fall 2017 and second increase Fall to Spring retention rate from 76% to 85% by August 31, 2017

### Events

- Attended the Maverick County Junior Livestock Show Kick-Off Breakfast on January 26
- Attended the Sul Ross Rio Grande College building dedication on January 29. Had opportunity to visit with Senator Uresti, Representative Nevarez, Congressman Hurd, and Mayor Cantu. All very pleased with our partnership with Rio Grande College.

- Attended the Uvalde County Livestock Show with Dr. Watkins and CIO Reyes on January 30
- Met with Del Rio Faculty on February 2
- Attended the Uvalde Chamber of Commerce Banquet on February 5 along with Mr. Flores, Dr. Watkins, Former President Billy Word, CIO Reyes, Registrar Fernandez and Outreach Director Torres.
- Mr. Bermea and Eagle Pass faculty/staff attended the Eagle Pass Chamber Banquet on February 5
- Held Conversation with Uvalde students on February 9
- Held Conversation with Del Rio Students on February 11
- We have following upcoming events:
  - Del Rio Deans' Forum - February 16
  - Eagle Pass Service Operations Forum - February 16
  - College Day on Uvalde Campus – February 16