Each of the vice presidents was asked to provide a brief update from their respective areas to share with the Board of Trustees. The updates from each area are outlined in this report.

**Vice President – Planning, Research & Organizational Development**

- **Community College Survey of Student Engagement (CCSSE).** The CCSSE is a national survey that measures student engagement and provides comparisons with other colleges. The college administered this survey for the third time last spring. The responses to the survey questions are statistically combined into five benchmarks of overall quality. These are:
  
  1) Active and Collaborative Learning  
  2) Student Effort  
  3) Academic Challenge  
  4) Student-Faculty Interaction  
  5) Support for Learners  

- When compared to the 168 colleges in its large college cohort, Butte College scored in the top 20% on each benchmark.

**Vice President – Student Learning & Economic Development**

- The 27th annual Great Teachers event took place in Oroville August 11 through August 13, 2014. This was a three-day seminar for teachers by teachers. It was a great introduction to Butte College culture for our new faculty.

- The Fish and Wildlife Academy is having its end of program ceremony at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, August 22, 2014 at the Paradise Performing Arts Center. This is the culmination of a 30-week program for 28 students who will be completing the academy.

**Vice President – Administration**

- The Bookstore has increased the number of textbook titles available for rent by 75% over the fall 2013 semester which will help to make the cost of books more affordable for students.

- The new finish with a new logo on the gym floor has been completed, as has the softball field project which includes new dugouts, a press-box and a storage facility.

- The fiscal year-end processes are in full swing to close the 2013-14 year and open the 2014-15 year. Interim test work has been completed with our new auditors CWDL.
Vice President – Student Services

- The first of eight fall semester financial aid disbursements will be made Thursday, August 21st. Over 4,000 Butte students will get their first financial aid checks the week prior to the start of the fall semester. We will not know the total amount disbursed until later this week, but last fall Butte College distributed over $4.5 million to 3,850 students during the first disbursement period!

- New student orientation numbers continue to look good. As of Tuesday, August 5th, over 1,800 new students and nearly 500 transfer students have participated in new student orientation. In addition, just over 200 interested parents have gone through our unique 3-hour parent orientation.