New Trustees Take in Lessons on Board Leadership

Learning the Ropes

AUGUST 4-6

THIS AUGUST 4-6, 45 NEW COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES and their presidents met at the National Center for Higher Education in Washington, D.C., to learn what makes an outstanding board member, strengthen the board/president relationship, and network with others from around the country and beyond. Participants came from far and wide, including Arizona, Florida, Illinois, Kansas, New Jersey, New York, the Northern Mariana Islands, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Texas, Washington, Wisconsin, and Virginia.

ON THE AGENDA

- Boardsmanship 101—Focusing on the fundamentals of being a good board member
- “Rookie trustee syndrome”
- Gaining acceptance and becoming an effective voice
- The Board-CEO relationship
- Understanding the budget, financial documents, and capital projects
- Fundraising and advocacy
- Dealing with the media
- Guidance and tips for working with board support staff

“ACCT does wonderful work, and I very much look forward to attending future events.”

Dr. Narcisa Polonio, ACCT Vice President for Education, Research, and Board Services, facilitates the New Trustee Governance Leadership Institute.

For information on the New Trustee Institute, held August 4-6, 2010 in Washington, D.C., visit www.acct.org and click Events.
Participants in the 2010 New Trustee Governance Leadership Institute exchanged t-shirts from their colleges.

“Every new trustee should be encouraged to attend.”

“Budget session was excellent.”

“Well-rounded discussion on a variety of topics.”

“Overall content and organization of workshop was well done.”

Trustees simulate a board meeting during the institute.

An attendee engages in discussion.