



College Update  
February 20, 2017

Happy Presidents' Day!

With the impending departure of Adam Dunham, we have decided to advertise for a full-time faculty member in English. This is a critical position at Trinidad State, so it has been pushed forward *before* final budget considerations for the next fiscal year. If you know someone who may be qualified and interested, please encourage him or her to apply when the position opens.

On Friday, the System Office is hosting a session entitled *Enrollment Management Summit II*. Each System College has been given eight seats for participation, and we will be represented by Kerry Gabrielson, David Hardman, Greg Boyce, Todd Cotton, Keith Gipson, Jack Wiley, Ashlie Cogburn and me. Speakers include enrollment and communications representatives from the University of Denver and a web expert from Ruffalo Noel-Levitz, a company that assists higher education in efforts to “*identify, reach and connect with their key markets and constituents at pivotal moments – from admission and financial aid to student success, alumni engagement, and fundraising.*”

Please watch for an electronic message from NewMeasures (specifically qualtronics-survey.com) with information on completing an assessment for me. This tool is part of the formal System evaluation process. In addition, packets of Leadership Team Surveys are also being delivered to internal campus mailboxes, so faculty and staff can participate in the evaluation process for the Vice Presidents. The deadline for return of these instruments is Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thank you, in advance, for taking the time to provide feedback for us!

As you may know, Trinidad State has two community councils providing external feedback and guidance to us. On Tuesday, nearly a dozen members plan to travel to Trinidad from the San Luis Valley for a campus tour. While here, they will have an opportunity to visit with us and with one another. We are fortunate to have such strong support throughout our service area.

As always, if you have questions, concerns or information to share, please let me know.

Hope you have a great week!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Carmen M. Simone'.

Carmen M. Simone,  
President