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Dear Colleagues:

August 21, 2017

I hope you have had an enjoyable summer with at least some time for some rest, renewal, and relaxation! The end of summer also marks the start of the academic year, which means it's time for our annual Pre-Service event for all employees. Please mark your calendars for Wednesday, September 6, Thursday, September 7, and Friday, September 8 for our welcome back gathering. Campus will be closed on September 6 so that all employees can attend our mandatory Day 1 Pre-Service event. September 7-8 will feature a variety of optional workshops for employees to attend to learn more about what we have going on at BMCC.

We'll kick-off on September 6 with coffee and a social in the Student Union at 9 a.m., before we join together in the Theatre for our main pre-service activities at 9:30 a.m. Don't worry – you won't be stuck in the theatre all day! Our plan is to break out with activities in the afternoon.

The agenda was drafted by our Pre-Service Committee, which is composed of members of our employee groups. They include Velda Arnaud, Linc DeBunce, Dawn DiFuria, Naamah Franke, Shannon Franklin, Yadira Gonzalez, JJ Hill, Cheri Kendrick, Anne Livingston, Ralph Murphy II, Roman Olivera, Tammie Parker, Joe Secl, Stacie Stahl, and Casey White-Zollman. We're very excited to change things up again this year, with a combination of informative sessions all together, as well as team-based activities, centered around the theme of "Reset, Refresh & Reboot."

Just before lunch, we'll take an all-employee photo, so be sure to wear a blue BMCC shirt! Are you a new employee and don't have a shirt? Check out the new logo merchandise available in our Bookstore! A delicious lunch will follow in the Student Union. You'll also have time to sign up for committees for the year. The afternoon will provide all employees with the opportunity to participate in break-out activities, and a social on the quad. There is also time for association meetings before the social.

The Day 2-3 activities on September 7-8 will allow employees to explore new technologies, initiatives and activities. We know that since we're open those days not everyone will have a chance to take part, but we have several sessions specifically for particular classifications, so please check with your supervisor to see about attending. We'll also be "zooming" most of these workshops, so if you're unable to attend, they'll be available for viewing at a later time.

I hope you have all had a rewarding summer, and I look forward to seeing you on September 6 – we are all ready for a fantastic year at BMCC!

Sincerely,

Cam Preus, President

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