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Advisory Committees

Agriculture/Horticulture Advisory Committee
  - David Brown, WAND-TV Agriculture Reporter, Farmer
  - Connie Burgett, Connie’s Country Greenhouse
  - Steve Carlson, Decatur Area Technical Academy
  - Ron Evans, 4 E’s Trees
  - Dawn Gates, Zip’s Florist
  - Stu Hawbaker, U of I Extension (Retired)
  - Jim Kramer, Decatur Park District
  - Kevin McSherry, From the Ground Up
  - Emmett Sefton, Retired
  - Rick Starshak, The Garden Path
  - Frank Thorp, Retired
  - Thomas Wargel, Black Prairie Ag Services
  - George Wells, Farmer, Architect

Automotive Advisory Committee
  - Brian Caudil, ATI Fleet Services
  - Ted Day, Decatur Area Technical Academy
  - Pat Donnelly, Donnelly Automotive
  - Andrew Frost, Decatur Area Technical Academy
  - Keith Gooding, Gooding Auto Restoration
  - Brett Henschen, Advance Auto
  - Kevin Hunt, Bill Abbott Chrysler
  - Kevin Hollingsead, Miles Chevrolet
  - William Schumacher, Pogue Auto Mall

Business Advisory Committee
  - Dale Colee, Dale’s Southlake Pharmacy
  - Jim Gresham, Lock, Stock & Barrel
  - Connie Houser, May, Cocagne & King
  - Dennis Kerfoot, Archer Daniels Midland Co.
  - Andy Thomas, May, Cocagne & King
  - Wendy Tohill, NextMedia Group
  - Brian Yeager, Archer Daniels Midland

Criminal Justice Advisory Committee
  - Lt. Ed Smith, Decatur Police Department
  - Jeremy Welker, Decatur Police Department
  - Judge Arthur Powers, Jr., Retired
  - Pat Murphy, Richland Community College
  - Brian Earles, Decatur Police Department
  - Lt. Tom Schneider, Macon Co. Sheriff’s Office
Drafting Advisory Committee
- Robert Bonds, Mueller Company
- Steve Clark, Decatur Area Technical Academy
- Bob Dean, Blank, Wesselink, Cook & Associates
- David Elliott, CDI
- Joe Garvin, Mueller Company
- Dave Horn, City Engineers
- Jodi Hunt, Decatur Area Technical Academy
- Chris Mauzy, City Engineers
- Steve Oliver, BLDD
- Ed Walton, Decatur Area Technical Academy

Early Childhood Education Advisory Committee
- Gianina Baker, Richland Community College
- Lori Brown, Discovery Depot
- Alice Bolick, Decatur Area Technical Academy
- Kay Durkee, St. Paul’s Day Care
- Lazetta Farnham, Richland Community College
- Diane Friend, Decatur Day Care Center
- Janean Garrett-Florey, Richland Community College
- Robbie Gegehart, Illinois Department of Children & Family Services
- Evyonne Hawkins, Richland Community College
- Jeanne Helm, Richland Community College
- Alice Huebner, Richland Community College
- Julie Howard, Head Start
- Bonnie Johnson, Richland Community College Student
- Marsha Juriga, Pershing School
- Kim Murphy, Millikin University PACE Program
- Sheri Rocha, U of I Extension
- Diana Shipley, Richland Community College
- Dr. Lily Siu, Richland Community College
- Amy Steck, Kid ‘n’ Fitness

EMS (Emergency Medical Services) Advisory Committee
- Fred Schneller, Decatur Fire Department
- David Burkam, Decatur Ambulance Services
- Tony Crystal, St. Mary’s Hospital
- Carol Dodson, St. Mary’s Hospital
- Mark Hunter, Decatur Ambulance Services
- Toby Jackson, Decatur Fire Department
- Karen Schneller, Decatur Memorial Hospital
- Anthony Vespa, Decatur Fire Department
- Harold White, Decatur Ambulance Services
- Bill Wood, St. Mary’s Hospital
Engineering Technology Advisory Committee
- Nevin Alwardt, Mueller Company
- Arnold Banning, Caterpillar, Inc.
- Jaret Benedict, Buchanan Industrial Controls
- Dan Boomer, Caterpillar, Inc.
- Ron Born, Airfloat
- Jim Bundy, Archer Daniels Midland Co.
- Dan Carico, Mueller Company
- Ron Deters, Agri-Fab, Inc.
- Robert Hauskins, Illini Precision Machining, Inc.
- Jennie Houk, Archer Daniels Midland Co.
- John Jackson, Barton Manufacturing
- Joe Jackson, Caterpillar, Inc.
- Joe Jordan, Jordan Industrial Controls
- Steven Kline, Caterpillar, Inc.
- Steve Luthy, Caterpillar, Inc.
- Ernie Marsh, Grain Systems, Inc.
- Greg Mason, Barton Manufacturing
- Mark Massey, Tate & Lyle
- Martin Mooney, Caterpillar, Inc.
- Joe Perry, Caterpillar, Inc.
- Steve Ruch, Caterpillar, Inc.
- Mike Schollmeier, Green Valley, Inc.
- Glen Schwass, Springfield Electric of Decatur
- Jeff Scroggins, Wabel Tool
- Bob Seider, Mueller Company
- John Wagner, Leading Edge Enterprises, Inc.
- Andy Zellers, Caterpillar, Inc.
- Walt Zilz, Caterpillar, Inc.
- Victor Zolecki, Expert Technical Systems

Fire Science Advisory Committee
- Tom Williams, South Wheatland Fire Department
- Doug Kirk, Argenta-Oreana Fire Department
- Brian Eversole, Shelbyville Fire Department
- Shelba Donoho, Richland Community College
- Brian Ball, Champaign Fire Department
- Toby Jackson, Decatur Fire Department
- Tony Vespa, Decatur Fire Department

Graphic Arts Advisory Committee
- Stephanie Augustine, Millikin University
- David Bock, Parkland Community College
- Steve Bowlin, Jones & Thomas
- Erin Cooney, Decatur Blueprint
- Alida Duff, Richland Community College
- Jane Johnson, Richland Community College
- Carolyn Ridenour, Creative Media Services
- Kevin Ripple, Jump Company
- Gil Rocha, Richland Community College
Graphic Arts Advisory Committee (cont.)
- Stephanie Augustine, Millikin University
- David Bock, Parkland Community College
- Steve Bowlin, Jones & Thomas
- Erin Cooney, Decatur Blueprint
- Alida Duff, RCC
- Carolyn Ridenour, Creative Media Services
- Kevin Ripple, Jump Company
- Gil Rocha, RCC
- Brad Simpson, Trump Printing
- Dr. Lily Siu, Richland Community College
- Kelly Snapka, Volition, Inc.
- Saul Solano, Richland Community College

HVAC (Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning) Committee
- (In process of establishing)

IT (Information Technology) Committee
- Randy Aldrich, City of Decatur
- Galen Arnold, National Center for Supercomputing Applications
- Guy Brown, Tate & Lyle
- Max Burgstahler, Decatur School District #61
- Jerry Davis, St. Mary’s Hospital
- Helen Ferguson, May, Cocagne & King, PC
- Jason Ferguson, HomeSight
- Kent Howell, Retired
- Mike Hickman, Archer Daniels Midland Company
- Cheryl Laskowski, City of Decatur
- Mike Lane, Macon Resources
- Nicholas Lane, Jones & Thomas
- Jack Long, Edikos
- Junie Lombs, Decatur Public Library
- Christine Niemerg, Decatur Area Technical Academy
- Carol Robinett, Decatur Public Library
- Bill Rogers, FirsTech
- Kirk Reining, State Farm Insurance
- Frank Saulsbery, Decatur Computers
- Jim Slade, Tate & Lyle
- Saul Solano, Richland Community College
- Dennis Vought, Archer Daniels Midland
- Lori Wagoner, Archer Daniels Midland Company
- Ian Wickline, State Farm Insurance
- Shirlene Wilkin, Archer Daniels Midland Company
- Phillip Windell, WAND-TV

Nurse Assistant Advisory Committee
- Joyce Cecil, Manor Care Health Services
- Sarah Coulter, Decatur Memorial Hospital
- Shelba Donoho, Richland Community College
- Linda Miner, Richland Community College
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- Donna Yemm, Richland Community College

Office Technology Advisory Committee
- Nettie Closs, Sincerely Yours Transcription Services
- Jody Cramer, Dr. Lee’s Office
- Carol Grider, St. Mary’s Hospital
Office Technology Advisory Committee (cont.)
- Brenda Hubner, Decatur Memorial Hospital
- Linda Johnson, Decatur Memorial Hospital
- Cathy Moroney, St. Mary’s Hospital
- Jennifer Schmidt, Sincerely Yours Transcription Services
- Dan Stoner, Internal Medicine Subspecialty Association

Radiologic Technology Advisory Committee
- Marjorie Calvetti, Springfield Memorial Medical Center
- Susan Clark, Richland Community College
- Susan Grimm, Richland Community College
- Dr. John Locke, Decatur Memorial Hospital
- Julie Morris, St. Mary’s Hospital
- Dave Overlot, Decatur Memorial Hospital
- Lezlie Ruecker, Registered Radiographer, Decatur Memorial Hospital
- Dr. Joseph Schrodt, Surgeon (Retired)
- Ann Snodgrass, Richland Community College
- Kay Woodcock, Registered Radiographer, St. Mary’s Hospital

RN-ADN and PN Advisory Committee
- Sharon Austen, Decatur Memorial Hospital
- Charlotte Bivens, Richland Community College
- Kathy Booker, Millikin University
- Ann Chelette, Decatur School District #61
- Joyce Clay, Richland Community College
- Shelia Donoho, Richland Community College
- Linda Fahey, Decatur Memorial Hospital
- Glen Griesheim, St. Mary’s Hospital
- Beverly Holly, State of Illinois Department of Mental Health (Retired)
- Diane Johner, Macon County Health Department
- Esther Johnson, Family Nurse Practitioner
- Linda Klemm, Millikin University
- Theresa Larson, Richland Community College
- Jean Litchfield, Richland Community College
- Judy Maloney, Richland Community College
- Gloria Marshall, Heritage Behavioral Health Center
- Deborah McGee, Richland Community College
- Tanya Murphy, DMH Home Health
- Carol Myers, Richland Community College
- Virginia Ostermeier, Richland Community College
- Glenna Parish, Richland Community College
- Mary Riedell, Richland Community College
- Teresa Rutherford, St. Mary’s Hospital
- Terri Scroggins, Richland Community College
- Lisa Trudeau, Aspen Ridge Care Centre
- Gail Wehrle Fyke, Decatur Memorial Hospital
- Carol Wood, Richland Community College
- Edward Yundt, St. Mary’s Hospital
Surgical Technology Advisory Committee
- Dr. Tim Bailey, Surgeon, Independent Practice
- Debbie Beck, Memorial Medical Center
- Sarah Beyer, Richland Community College Student (Class) Representative
- Linda Brettin, Memorial Medical Center
- Tammy Carter, Memorial Medical Center
- Linda Coleman, Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center
- Darlene Dandridge, Decatur Memorial Hospital
- Sue Cook, Decatur Health Care
- Marsha Cordts, Central Illinois Surgery Center LLC
- Shelba Donoho, Richland Community College
- Mary Donovan, Richland Community College
- Diana Dyer-Schilawski, St. Mary’s Hospital
- Deborah Erlanson, Community Member
- Tawny Forehand, Richland Community College Student (Class) Representative
- Velvet Fredrick, St. John’s Hospital
- Casey Ginger, Richland Community College Student (Class) Representative
- William Hammer, Illinois Central College
- Barb Hocking, St. John’s Hospital
- Sally Hodges, Decatur Memorial Hospital
- Tammi Holmes, Richland Community College Student (Class) Representative
- Beth Jackson, Richland Community College Student (Class) Representative
- Patty Jackson, Richland Community College
- Barb Kopec, Memorial Medical Center
- Dr. Donald Kamm, Surgeon, Independent Practice (Retired)
- Deron Kimball, Richland Community College
- Teresa Larson, Richland Community College
- Katherine Lee, Richland Community College
- Lonnie Penman, St. John’s Hospital
- Sylvia Nelson, Richland Community College Student (Class) Representative
- Sister Trudy O’Connor, St. John’s Hospital
- Carol Ray, Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center
- Mindy Sanders, Richland Community College Student (Class) Representative
- Dr. Sushant Sinha, Surgeon, Independent Practice
- Kim Skundberg, Decatur Memorial Hospital
- Sherri Slade, Richland Community College Student (Class) Representative
- Brenda Sturdy, Memorial Medical Center
- Susan Swartz, St. Mary’s Hospital
- Mike Tolly, Richland Community College Student (Class) Representative
- Marty Vigneri, St. Mary’s Hospital
- Fred Woltz, Richland Community College Student (Class) Representative
- Dr. Jordan Youngerman, Surgeon, Independent Practice
BLACK DRAAMA WORKSHOP (Chartered in 1999) – The Black Drama Workshop is a group of performers who explore Black culture through the creative arts.

BLACK STUDENT ASSOCIATION (BSA) (Charter Date October 19, 1974) – The purpose of the BSA is to create unity among African-American students by promoting political, social, and economic awareness among Black students at Richland Community College and within the Black community. Some goals are to help African-American students become better acquainted with the social and academic activities of the College; to sponsor educational and political forums and activities; to sponsor cultural and recreational activities; to promote self-reliance among African-American students; to promote academic success among African-American students at Richland Community College.

CHILD CARE LEARNING CENTER (Established in 1980) – Licensed services are provided for the children of Richland students, staff, and faculty whenever regular classes are in session (except weekends). Pre-school activities are available to combine play with learning. These activities include art, music, science, math, motor development skills, and language skills. Children ages 2 to 12 years of age are accepted. School-age children may attend on days when public schools are not in session if space is available.

COLLEGE DEMOCRATS (Charter Date April 20, 2004) – The purpose of this club is to introduce students to politicians the political process, as well as get them involved in political activities within the College District.

COLLEGE REPUBLICANS (Charter Date November 7, 1997) – The purpose of this club is to increase the political involvement of young people through political activities within the Richland Community College District.

COMMUNICATUR (Charter Date April 29, 1983) – The Communicatur is the student newspaper at Richland Community College. Funded by student auxiliary fees, the paper is published four to six times a semester and is staffed by student reporters, photographers, and students from Richland’s journalism classes. Stipends are available for some members of the editorial board. The Communicatur office is located within the office of Campus Life, C135. Story and picture ideas and contributions in the form of commentaries and/or letters to the editor are always welcome. The newspaper is distributed at various locations on and off campus.

EARLY CHILDHOOD PROFESSIONALS (Charter Date January 31, 1993) – The purpose of the Early Childhood Professionals Club is to promote educational opportunities for child care students by making attendance possible at conferences and meetings. This organization will also strive to promote speakers on child issues, including parenting, child care laws, or any issue that will directly affect child care workers.

EARTH CLUB (Chartered in 1995) – The purpose of the Earth Club is to promote environmental awareness at Richland and the local community.

FIRE SCIENCE (Charter Date October 22, 2002) – The purpose of this club is to promote interest in the Fire Service and enhance the opportunities of the Fire Science students.
Forensics Team (Charter Date April 1983) – The speech team competes in intercollegiate competition and at state, national, and international levels. The team allows students co-curricular experience in public speaking, oral interpretation, and acting. Past members have achieved National Championships, increased self-perception, improved communication skills, and acquired a sense of collegiate achievement. Whether you have no experience or a broad background in performance, you are welcome to join the team.

History Club (Charter Date 2005) – The mission of this club is to encourage and facilitate a greater understanding of history among students and our community by hosting speakers, screening films and taking field trips to historical sites.

Honors Club (Honors Opportunities Program) (Established December 1981) – The purpose of this club is to encourage academically talented students to pursue knowledge both in depth and in breadth and to strive to achieve their maximum potential. This club provides special programs of instruction, recognition for academic excellence, and opportunities for interactions with students and faculty members.

H.O.P.E. (Helping Out People Everywhere) (Chartered in 2005) – The purpose of H.O.P.E. is to provide a forum to discuss the social, educational, and developmental needs of people around the global community. Students will work on projects and perform volunteer work to help make an impact.

Horticulture Club (Charter Date October 12, 1989) – The purposes of the Horticulture Club are to bring awareness of the Horticulture Program to the College and the community; to establish a designated fund for horticulture at Richland Community College to be used to purchase needed library materials and equipment; to furnish a greenhouse; to enrich student education by attending and organizing educational seminars; to increase public awareness of the program and encourage designated donated funds to the horticulture program.

Humanities Club (Charter Date January 2004)
The purpose of this organization is to provide club members with stimulating extracurricular activities focused on the humanities.

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship (Charter Date November 14, 2004) – The purpose of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship Club is to establish and advance witnessing communities of students and faculty who follow Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord; growing in God’s love, strengthened in unity, encouraging fellowship, promoting a basic understanding of God’s Word and the Biblical truths which provide the foundation of Christianity to people of every ethnicity and culture, and pursuing God’s purposes in the world through spiritual, intellectual, physical, and social activities.

LPN Student Nurses Club (Chartered in 2002) – The club’s goal is to perform community services and to provide educational opportunities for Richland students and for others who may benefit or have an interest in nursing as a career. Meetings are scheduled after class time, at the convenience of the members.

M.O.D. (Men Of Distinction) (Chartered in 2005) – The purpose of Men of Distinction of Student Support Services/TRIO is to provide support for each other and to become empowered women through education, knowledge, awareness, skills, appreciation of diversity, and service to the community.
N.A.A.C.P. College Chapter (Charter Date July 12, 2001) – The purpose of this club is to promote diversity as an asset by having students from various social and cultural groups come together to discuss issues perpetuated by race, creed, religion, sex, or national origin. Further, this club will assist students in their endeavors to understand the cultures of others.

P.A.W. (Performing Arts Workshop) (Chartered in January 2005) - The purpose of PAW is to promote the appreciation and support of the performing arts among the student body of Richland Community College.

Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) (Chartered in October 1974) – This organization, a local chapter of an international two-year college honor society, initiates eligible members twice a year. Students achieving a 3.5 grade point average with 12 or more credit hours at RCC, at the 100 level or above, are eligible for membership. This organization engages in social, educational, and charitable projects.

P.R.I.D.E. (People Respecting Individual Differences in Everyone) (Charter Date October 11, 1996) – The purposes of People Respecting Individual Differences in Everyone (P.R.I.D.E.) are to provide education surrounding gay, lesbian, and bisexual issues, to foster a greater awareness and tolerance for gay, lesbian, and bisexual persons and issues, and furnish social and emotional support to gay, lesbian, and bisexual persons and allies on campus.

Program Board (Established April 1983) – The Program Board consists of students, faculty, and staff who plan and arrange College-wide events. Involvement in the Program Board brings hands-on experience in the areas of time management, delegation, and budgeting, as well as developing skills in leadership and decision making. Membership on the Program Board is open to all students who are enrolled in three (3) semester hours and in good academic and financial standing with the College. Along with developing the calendar section of the Student Handbook and the Reception and Recognition Program, unique learning opportunities are provided through professional entertainers, seminars, lectures, and displays.

RN Student Nurses Club (Charter Date November 8, 1991) – The RN Student Nurses Club was formed to promote interest and to provide information about nursing and other health careers. Meetings are scheduled monthly throughout fall and spring semesters at a time convenient for the majority of the members. The club sponsors educational and community service programs both on and off campus.

Sexual Assault Awareness and Education Organization (SAAEO) Club (Chartered in October 2003) – The purpose of this club shall be to provide awareness and education to students, faculty/staff and the community about sexual assault and sexual abuse, as well as to provide support for victim, survivors, and significant others of sexual assault/abuse.

Student Ambassador Mentors (Charter Date September 5, 1990) – Student Ambassador Mentors (SAMs) participate in the Student Orientation Advisement and Registration Program. They help new students make a smoother transition to higher education and introduce new students to the broad educational opportunities at Richland. They provide on-going support to students in the areas of positive attitude development and relationship-building with faculty, staff, and peers. Student Ambassador Mentors are knowledgeable and can refer students to appropriate College services and to staff who provide services for students. Student Ambassador Mentors are nominated by faculty members or staff or may apply directly to the program.
Student Senate (Established 1975) – The purpose of the Student Senate is to represent the students of Richland Community College through effective communications by promoting unity and fellowship with all members of the College community. We encourage the development of campus organizations and activities that will meet the needs and interests of the students. The Student Senate strives to represent and interpret student opinion as related to the information on campus policy and to distribute the academic fees to provide a variety of educational and social opportunities for students. Students are elected each Fall and Spring Semester to the 12-member board. Petitions are available at the secretary’s desk in the Campus Life Office. Full- and part-time students are eligible for governmental posts providing they are in academic and financial good standing with the College. The Student Senate meets weekly to take action on matters of concern for the student body. Members of the Senate also serve with faculty and administration on designated committees to represent the students’ point of view. The Student Trustee is elected each Spring Semester by the student body to serve as an advisory voting member of the Board of Trustees. The Student Trustee may make and second motions during the Board meetings, and the Student Trustee also serves on the Student Senate.

Surgical Technology Club (Chartered in 2002) – The purpose of this club is to provide a forum to explore the education and vocation of surgical technology. Membership in this club shall be open to anyone with an interest in surgical technology and/or surgical technology education.

Visions of Design (Chartered in 2003) – As members of Visions of Design, we endeavor to create and use our inner desires and discoveries as artists to educate and raise awareness about Graphic Arts to the community around us. We strive to create high standards and respect for our profession and to become mentors for those who will come after us. In our efforts, we also want to reach out to the community and search out innovative ideas that could cultivate the growth potential of this profession.

W.I.N.S. (Women In New Seasons) (Charter Date October 10, 2006) - W.I.N.S. shall further the exchange of information and cooperation between members, to promote the causes of ISTEP, and to conduct the club programs and activities as to advance the general interest and welfare of the ISTEP program within the community.

W.O.W. (Women Of Worth) (Chartered in 2005) – The purpose of Women of Worth of Student Support Services/TRIO is to provide support for each other and to become empowered women through education, knowledge, awareness, skills, appreciation of diversity, and service to the community.

X-Ray Vision (Charter Date March 31, 2004) – The purpose of this club is to promote the career of radiology.