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Dear Tina,

This week, I met with participants in AACC's John E. Roueche Future Leaders Institute and the Future Presidents Institute. They are smart, savvy, and eager to lead. As I said in a [recent column](#), the time has come for the next generation of leadership. It's up to us to make sure they're prepared, through mentorship and by offering professional development opportunities, such as FLI and FPI. Congrats to our latest classes of [Roueche-FLI](#) and [FPI](#).



MUST READ

[“Year-Round Pell Could Help Community Colleges”](#)

The resumption of year-round Pell Grants, scheduled for July, could help offset the enrollment declines many community colleges are experiencing, according to Moody's Investors Service. Read more in [Inside Higher Ed](#).

[“House Passes Bill to Reauthorize Perkins”](#)

The House has passed legislation to reauthorize the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education (CTE) Act that is similar to a Perkins bill it passed last year. Get the details in [CC Daily](#).

[“Community Colleges like Mine Are Proving Kellyanne Conway Wrong”](#)

DeRionne Pollard, president of Montgomery College, discusses the opportunities that community colleges create for large swaths of Americans in this [Washington Post opinion piece](#).

MUST DO

Activate Your VFA Participation

The Voluntary Framework of Accountability (VFA) is now a part of your membership. [Activate today](#) and become part of a community focused on using data for institutional improvement. VFA is the only national system and data tool with comprehensive measures of community college performance. It's easy to activate and lend your voice to the national discussion of student success in community colleges.

MUST KNOW

ACE's American College President Survey

Public associate degree-granting institutions have the highest proportion of women and minority presidents of any type of higher education institution, according to a [new survey](#) of U.S. college and university presidents. Other findings: Funding remains a key issue for most college and university presidents; also, 12% of presidents indicated that using institutional research to inform decision-making was a future area of importance.

Community College Journal Wins Award

AACC's [Community College Journal](#) was honored in a national competition for trade publications. Of the hundreds of submissions in the Best Single Issue category, *CC Journal* took 8th place. The [2017 Tabbie Awards](#) had more than 400 entries, with nominations coming from the U.S., Canada, the U.K., Australia, New Zealand, Ireland, Singapore and South Africa.



I presented at AACC's John E. Roueche Future Leaders Institute and the Future Presidents Institute on June 25 and 26 in Washington, DC. [See photos here](#).



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Pictured: Myrtle Dorsey, John "Ski" Sygielski, Walter Bumphus, Jerry Sue Thornton, John E. Roueche, and Ken Burke.

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