



OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE®



Achieving the Dream™

Community Colleges Count

Progress Report, June 2011

## *Achieving the Dream*

→ advances the use of college-specific data to inform decisions and practices affecting student success

→ provides counsel and data resources to community colleges to accelerate increases in student success rates.

*17 of Michigan's 28 community colleges are  
Achieving the Dream colleges.  
200 participate nationwide.*

# 2 minute video

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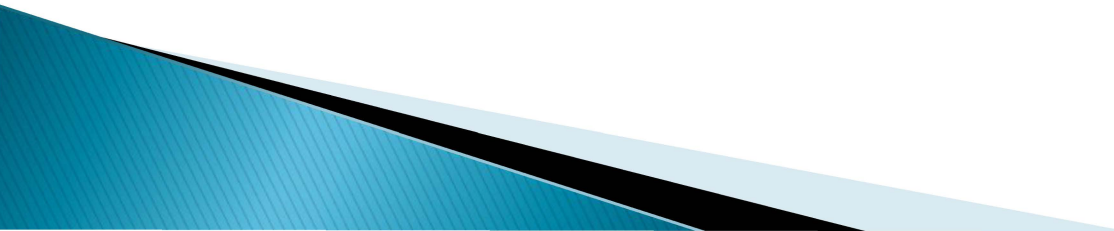


# Introductions: Our ATD coaches:

## **Eileen Baccus (ATD Coach)**

- ▶ consultant to institutions of higher education
- ▶ president emeritus of Northwestern Connecticut Community College in Winsted, CT
- ▶ president of the former Thames Valley State Technical College, CT (prior to merger)
- ▶ was long-time administrator of University of Connecticut
- ▶ has also worked in the corporate arena ( IBM and with Aetna Life and Casualty Co.)
- ▶ Dr. Baccus has served on numerous boards in higher education, arts organizations, and banking.

## **Rene Garcia (ATD Data Facilitator)**

- ▶ Director of Enrollment Management at Miami Dade College since 2001 with primary responsibility for coordinating the institution's recruitment and retention efforts
  - ▶ 20+ years experience in test administration and development, research, grant writing, survey construction, and program evaluation
  - ▶ is professor of psychology and statistics and an Endowed Teaching Chair recipient
  - ▶ Dr. Garcia has served as a consultant for a variety of organizations including Educational Testing Service, College Board, and Aspira, among others.
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# Our coaches' experiences with

## *Achieving The Dream*



**We appreciate the  
involvement and support  
of our teams!**

**LEARNING IS OUR ONLY PRIORITY.**

# The Teams

## Core Team

Timothy Meyer

(Marty Smydra)/Richard Holcomb

Patricia Dolly

Clarence Brantley

Mary Ann McGee (OR)

Henry Tanaka (AH)

Beverly Stanbrough (RO/SF)

Lloyd Crews (RO/SF)

Suba Subbarao (AH-English)

Nancy Showers (IR)

Eileen Brennan (IR)

Cynthia Tanner (Fdn)

Julie Gunkleman (OR-Math)

Jeremy Mertz (AH-Math)

## Developmental Education – English

Suba Subbarao, ENG/AH, Chair

Linda Boynton, ENG/HL

Bonnie Derisley, ASC Adjunct/SF

Lori Linden, ENG/SF

Bonita Myrand, ENG/AH

Mark Ott, Eng Adjunct/AH

Camille Ziolek, ENG/OR

Mark Woods, IR (Non-voting member)

## Developmental Education – “Math Boost”

Julie Gunkelman, Math/OR

Jeremy Mertz, Math/AH

Mark Woods, IR

Mary Basile, Math Adjunct/OR

Linda Britton, Math/AH

Wendy Conway, Math/HL

Dave Nosanchuk, Math/HL

Janet Peart, Math/AH

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## High Touch (0 – 3 Weeks)

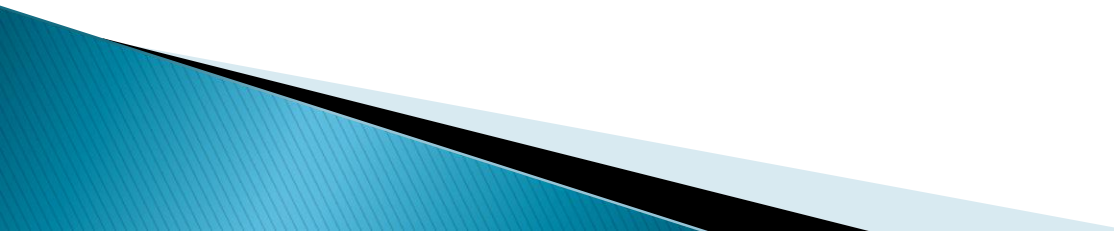
Kirstine Evans, CNS/HL  
Eleanor Fox, IR  
Steve Linden, DSS/AH  
Jahquan Hawkins, SL/OR  
Rosalind Reaves, ASC/RO  
Henry Tanaka, AH (Chair)  
Zheng Wang, IR

## Special Populations

Lloyd Crews, RO/SF (Chair)  
Beverly Stanbrough, RO/SF  
(Chair)  
Niko Dawson, EWD  
Arlene Frank, OR–Womencenter  
Mary Jo Schuster, CNS/OR  
Stacey Jackson, SL/RO  
Gail Mays, CNS/AH  
Anthony Thomas, CNS/OR  
Stephanie Wren, IR  
Letyna Roberts, State/Fed  
Programs/AH  
Wanda Pernel–Harris,  
ASC/SF



# OCC interventions for specific target areas are:

- ▶ English Boost
  - ▶ Math Boost
  - ▶ Mandatory Orientation (targeted students)
  - ▶ Learning Communities
  - ▶ Measuring Student Attitudes  
(across the interventions)
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# Achieving the Dream Timeline

2009

**August:** MCCA Student Success Summit in Lansing

**Summer/Fall:** meetings with Kresge Fdn re: student success at OCC

**Dec:** MCCA alerts CCs to stay tuned re: ATD participation and funding opportunities

2010

**Jan:** MCCA announces that Kresge Fdn will fund Michigan CCs in ATD via national organization (MDC); Michigan CCs invited to ATD Strategy Institute

**Feb:** OCC forms planning group; reps attend Strategy Institute; core team formed

**March 15:** Proposal due to MDC

**May:** Notification of acceptance

**Late June:** ATD KickOff Institute (Austin)

**July-Dec:** Data & Strategy Teams formed to begin data review, consider student success needs; review best practices; present at Fall convocations/welcome back sessions and Senate

2011

**Jan-May:** Data and Strategy Teams continue to gather & analyze data, develop potential interventions

**April 15:** Draft Implementation Proposal Due to ATD

**May 15:** Final Implementation Proposal due to ATD

**May/June:** Coach visit preparation

*To be continued...*  
**e.g. Use of ATD data and initiatives to flow into quality initiative for HLC**

The focus of Achieving the Dream is on student success. This focus aligns perfectly and supports OCC's strategic plan and other major initiatives.

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