

STATEMENT

Regarding Projects Headed by Dr. Byron McClenney and Dr. Kay McClenney

Recently, Dr. Kay McClenney and Dr. Byron McClenney announced that they would be retiring during the Spring 2014 semester. The McClenneys are leaders of an array of very important national initiatives, and they are valued members of our intellectual community and contributors to the department's service to higher education.

We celebrate with Kay McClenney and Byron McClenney the excitement of moving to a new chapter of their rich and highly accomplished lives, even as we are saddened by the news that they will be leaving their current leadership positions in 2014.

We want to make perfectly clear that the College of Education and the Department of Educational Administration at The University of Texas at Austin remain as committed as ever to the mission of community colleges, the preparation of community college leaders, and the very important work of the initiatives Byron and Kay have helmed for the past decade. The Center for Community College Student Engagement (CCCSE) will continue to be an important center in our university, and its work, we are confident, will continue to grow for years to come. We will continue to partner with stakeholders in the Student Success Initiatives, and their place in our college is part of our vision for the future.

Kay and Byron will remain in their roles for the coming months, and they, as well as the department chair for Educational Administration, Randy Bomer, will be happy to answer questions regarding these projects and their place at The University of Texas at Austin.

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