MVC FINANCIAL AID DIRECTOR SELECTED FOR US DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION RULEMAKING COMMITTEE

Marshall, Mo. (February 12, 2009)—Missouri Valley College’s Director of Financial Aid Charles “Buddy” Mayfield has been selected as a committee member for the U.S. Department of Education’s rulemaking committee after a nationwide search.

Mayfield was nominated by the National Council of Higher Education Loan Programs, Inc (NCHELP) and selected by the U.S. Department of Education. Mayfield and the committee members will develop proposed regulations to implement the changes made to the Higher Education Act by the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008 (HEOA).

“I have traveled all over the country and have worked with so many individuals who have a great respect for Buddy,” said Brett Lief, President of NCHELP. “He has a very thorough understanding of the financial aid process and will do a great job of reflecting the views of Missouri Valley and other schools in Missouri and the nation.”

NCHELP represents a nationwide network of guaranty agencies, secondary markets, lenders, loan servicers, collectors, schools, and other organizations.

Members of the negotiated rulemaking committee will consist of individuals from agencies and entities representing all sectors and aspects of higher education. The schedule for negotiations has been developed to ensure publication of the final regulations by November 1, the statutory deadline for publishing student financial assistance regulations. The proposed regulations will be submitted for approval at the conclusion of the negotiation process.

“It’s a great honor to be selected as a member of this negotiating committee,” Mayfield said. “This negotiating team will be shaping the regulations that all higher education institutions abide by. I look forward to being a part of this process as it unfolds.”

Mayfield will travel to Washington D.C. three times as part of his assignment.

"Buddy is a quality individual with enormous skills as a financial aid director,” said MVC President Bonnie Humphrey. “He daily lives by personal values of integrity, detail, genuineness and caring that define him as a human being and shape his skills as an extraordinary administrator. He understands the financial aid administrative process but has an incredible instinct for each student's personal and financial needs that make him truly unique. All of us at Missouri Valley College are extremely proud to have Buddy as a part of the Valley family."

ABOUT MISSOURI VALLEY COLLEGE
Missouri Valley College is a liberal arts college that provides educational, social and cultural experiences in a decidedly Christian environment. Established in 1889, MVC offers 28 majors and 7 pre-professional programs, and 12 sports and 20 varsity teams. The most popular majors include education and business, and the newest major is nursing, which will begin in Fall 2009. The
liberal arts heritage focuses on scholarship, critical thinking and academic excellence to prepare students to become members of a responsible citizenry. For more information, call (660) 831-4000 or visit www.moval.edu.

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