

Morgan Lynn 2006-07



A particular strength that Morgan has is her ability to work amicably with other administrators, particularly the division deans. The division deans “love her to death” and will willingly do whatever is necessary to make sure that Morgan’s objectives are carried through. She truly has an open door policy that ensures that administrators, staff, and faculty always feel welcome. Morgan has an outstanding relationship with faculty. As any of the division deans will tell you, faculty not only felt comfortable in her presence, but also considered her a friend to whom they could turn for advice. Faculty and staff trust her and respect her, as do we all.

At the instructional level, Morgan Lynn is truly the “Mother of Instruction,” a well-deserved sobriquet that attests to the tremendous trust and loyalty that administrators and staff have for her. At the Deans Council (comprised of all instructional deans), she made decisions that were fair, considerate, well-thought-out, and student-centered. The deans were almost always satisfied with her decisions.

Morgan’s creativity, commitment, and support for instructional programs that supported students as well as her willingness to make changes all contributed toward making Sierra College not only one of the top colleges in California, but one of the top in the nation. The innovative programs that

she initiated and supported have contributed to the overall excellence of the college...programs not only in instruction, but also in student services. Morgan should have been called the “Mother of Education” rather than simply the “Mother of Instruction” because of her tremendous concern for the college overall, not simply the instructional side.

Working for Morgan Lynn is like working for a friend, a friend whom you can trust, a friend who will be loyal, and a friend who will be there when needed. One of the characteristics listed as a requirement for the Carter Doran Award is “leading with the heart,” and there could be no better example than Morgan Lynn who, while fearless, always “led with her heart.” And we all knew this. Morgan is truly deserving of the Carter Doran Leadership Award for she has all of the qualities that make for an outstanding and exemplary leader.