

CHANCELLOR'S WEEKEND MEMO

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Regional Transit Authority Board Meeting Downtown Campus- July 9, 2013

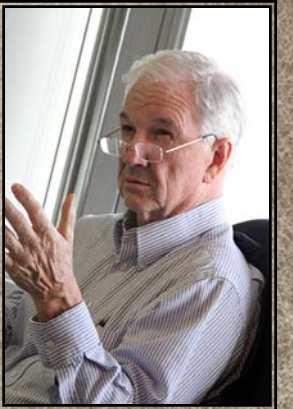


Collaboration between the Wayne County Sheriff, District Police Authority and MIPSE involves much more than connecting these units over a common network. They recently met to discuss rapid deployment and to detail how campus safety administrators can implement a strategy to put in place a system that has the ability to not only meet current needs, but to accommodate future growth and changes.





Board of Trustees Meeting- July 10, 2013



EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS



Adjunct Faculty Campus Meet and Greet Visits

The Office of Adjunct Faculty “meet and greet” visits were welcomed by the Downtown and Western campuses this week. Faculty came prepared early to complete the online needs assessment survey on the Scholar’s Corner for Adjunct Faculty website and provided much needed feedback on resource needs. Congratulations to Sharon Wallace, English Instructor at the Downtown Campus and Dr. Grant Friley, III, African-American Studies Instructor at the Western Campus who were the winners of the free “gift card” drawing for attending.



Did you know?

The new Sustainable Technology Specialist short-term certificate:

- ★ Can be obtained in one or two semesters
- ★ Can be tailored to the students “green collar” interest
- ★ Gives the student sales and marketing training in sustainable products and services
- ★ Starts Fall 2013 at the Western and Northwest campuses
- ★ Is offered in the ITV format

Faculty Organization Day

August 17, 2013
Northwest Campus



COMPLETION AGENDA 2020



The Completion Agenda has so many facets to it that make a difference in the lives of the students that we serve. Denise Shannon, President of the Downtown Campus, has made a personal effort to support a group of young men as they move forward in their educational pursuits. The Downtown Campus hosts, on a monthly basis, a meeting entitled “Young Men Advocacy for Education.” This monthly meeting allows this group of men the opportunity to share any questions regarding their education that they may have and what roadblocks they have encountered.



HUMAN RESOURCES

STAFF PARTICIPATE IN ABSENTEEISM WEBINAR

Staff from the Human Resources Department (HR) participated in a webinar on employee absenteeism. High levels of absenteeism can impact productivity, service quality and employee morale. From an HR management perspective, employee absenteeism and tardiness can be some of the toughest issues to address and remedy. This live audio conference helped to identify attendance issues and effectively address them through the implementation of clear policies and practices. The audio conference will also address federal and state laws that may be involved in dealing with attendance issues such as the FMLA and ADA.



STUDENT SERVICES

Michigan Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation



Ricardo Benevides, Front Row

Three WCCCD research interns are currently participating in the Michigan Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation grant at Wayne State University's Summer Undergraduate Research Academy. Intern Ricardo Benevides shared that his research experience has been superb. The team that Mr. Benevides works with has a very successful track record with their ECOCar2 project. This year the students' eco-friendly and efficiently designed car was the only accepted research project from Michigan to participate in the Advanced Vehicle Technology Competition sponsored by the Department of Energy. Out of 15 teams, EcoCar2 was one of the three teams able to finish the challenging 104 mile test drive in Yuma, Arizona.



GO WILDCATS!

WCCCD athletes, Dione Fowkes, Brad Parker, Daniel Price, and Montel Williams were invited to a Pro Basketball Workout Camp in South Dakota to represent WCCCD as competitors with other college athletes from all over the country.

FINANCIAL AID

The District Financial Aid Office encourages students to submit all required documents early in order to complete their file and receive an award notification which enables them to utilize the book voucher. Book vouchers for Fall 2013 will be available to students beginning July 29 – September 3.

Phi Theta Kappa

In the 22 years history of the Chapter, this is the third time that WCCCD has had regional officers' representation at the Honors Institute.

- 2013-2014 Denea Venoy, Regional Secretary, received the Regional Officer Award. She won the scholarship to attend the Honors Institute held at the Villanova University in Villanova, PA.
- 2012-2013 Matthey Ramey, Regional President, received the Regional Officer Award and won the scholarship to attend the Honors Institute held at the University of Denver in Denver, Colorado.
The very first regional position was held by Jocelyn Brown who was elected Regional President.



The picture shows Denea Venoy, Regional Secretary and other officers at the Honors Institute in Villanova, PA. Ms. Venoy is on the first row, third from left.

Michigan College and University Partnership: The intent of this five year grant program is to encourage academically and economically disadvantaged WCCCD students as well as minority students, Hispanic-American, Native American, and African-American, who are seeking careers in S.T.E.M. fields (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) to continue their education to earn a baccalaureate degree.

Student Testimony- Izabela Birsanescu (youngest ever MICUP intern from WCCCD- 17 year old dual enrolled student from Inkster High School)

"I will never forget the experience of being thrown completely out of my comfort zone and having soared as a result. I not only enjoyed every moment of my experience at Michigan Tech, I have also changed my major and looked further into continuing research. My field of vision has been expanded. I looked at a whole new area that impacted my career decision. While becoming a physician is still at the top of my list, being a Biochemistry major is an addition to my master plan. I would not trade anything for this experience."



Global Conversations

SPEAKER SERIES



The Division of Student Services presented another energetic Global Conversation Speakers Series. The topic titled “Affirmative Action and the Battle for a Diverse Education” was moderated by Bankole Thompson, Senior Editor, Michigan Chronicle, and included a lively debate from a distinguished panel including: Robert Sedler, Wayne State University Constitutional Law Professor; Godfrey Dillard, Lead Counsel in the University of Michigan Affirmative Action Case; Jennifer Gratz, Plaintiff in Supreme Court Case Challenging the University of Michigan Affirmative Action Program; Henry Payne, Detroit News Conservative Columnist; and Josh Bassett, Institute for Social Progress Senior Fellow. This exchange addressed many complex factors and challenged the audience to consider different points of view in searching for solutions to this important issue.





Eastern Campus

The Eastern Campus hosted the final 'Community Conversation' for the semester with State Representative Alberta Tinsley-Talabi. State Representative Talabi along with James Walker from the National Motorists Association. The session provided updated information pertaining to the changes in the driver responsibility laws.



Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center

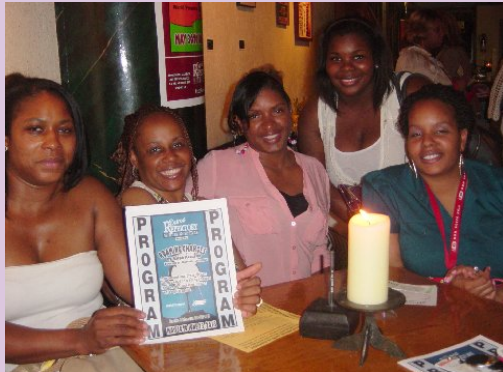
Matt Puwal represented the District at the monthly meeting of the Beaumont Community Health Coalition where local community representatives shared updates from their respective organizations. Mr. Puwal provided information about the Bachelor of Nursing degree program offered by the University of Michigan Flint as well as the Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management degree program offered by the University of Detroit Mercy at the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center.



Downtown Campus

FIELD TRIP TO THE DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE

Professor Mary Ramsey, part-time English faculty took her Summer 2013 ENG 119 class on a field trip to the Detroit Repertory Theatre to see Roaming Charges by playwright Ralph Accardo.



DOWNTOWN CAMPUS EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

The Downtown Campus is proud to announce Alvin Jackson as the employee of the month. Mr. Jackson is an information technology technician who is willing to lend a helping hand at all times. Thanks for your hard work and dedication!





Downriver Campus

SOUTHERN WAYNE COUNTY REGIONAL CHAMBER



The Downriver Campus hosted the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber's Chamber Connections Group workshop. Chamber Connections is a structured, industry-exclusive networking group that can be an important part of a strategic marketing plan. This is a bi-monthly meeting held at the campus.

The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education



The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) participated in the 4th of July Parade in Downtown Wyandotte. This year, MIPSE also partnered with Wyandotte Cub Pack 1076.



- ★ MIPSE hosted the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary for their monthly meeting. These general informational meetings allow the sharing of information on the national and district levels.

ON THE MOVE...

Downriver and Western Campus staff attended the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber Legislative Breakfast Forum. The guest speaker was Lt. Governor Brian Calley.

GETTING OUR STUDENTS READY FOR THE FALL 2013 SEMESTER

- ★ The Downriver Campus hosted a Federal Work Study orientation and workshop.
- ★ Marjorie Harvey-Ross held a GED orientation and testing for the Fall 2013 semester. Students completed their admission application online, were provided a tour of the campus and received their student ID and parking pass.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



Office Web apps - Microsoft Office 365
Office Web apps are browser-based versions of Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel, and OneNote. Office Web apps allow users to view and edit Microsoft Office documents on any device. Home and school users can use Office Web apps on SkyDrive for anywhere access and document sharing at home and school. Business and enterprise users can use Office Web apps as part of the Office 365 on SharePoint.

DEFERRED MAINTENANCE

NEW PAVED PARKING LOT AND SIGNAGE AT THE DOWNTOWN CAMPUS

The Downtown Campus has received a new paved parking lot including appropriate signage. Parking signage is the most efficient way to communicate directional information and effectively improve traffic flow making the facility safer for both students and faculty.



SPANISH 101 CULTURAL FIELD TRIP

Moises Andrade and his Summer 2013 SPA 101 class went on a field trip full of food, fun, and culture as they spent the day in Detroit's Mexican Town.



Western Campus



DEGREE WORKS

The Western Campus continued to help students develop their plans of work utilizing the new Degree Works software.

Students were presented with "I'm a Completer" t-shirts once their plan of work was completed.



PRISONER OF WAR VETERANS TRIBUTE

The Western Campus was honored to host the Prisoner of War (POW) Veterans Tribute. Lt. Col. Alexander Jefferson of the Tuskegee Airmen was the guest of honor for this historical event where he received the new National POW Award.



College for Kids Summer Camp



~Dance~Fencing~ Video Game Design~
~Robotics~Sign Lanuage~Arabic~



INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

Student Self Center Survey

84.2% of WCCCD students who participated in the Student Self Center Survey (SSCS) indicated that they were satisfied with the services at the Student Self Service Center. This was a 7.9 % increase from the previous semesters overall satisfaction levels.

The Student Self Center Survey is implemented at the campus student self service centers each semester where students are able to follow up on their student accounts and gather important information on their Webgate accounts.

**The School of Continuing Education
and Workforce Development**

Kid's College Camps



~3-D Art Camp~ Math Madness and Geometrical Properties and Applications~
~Young Writers Camp~ Grammar Blast Camp~

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Third-party Payment Process

Fall 2013 registration has begun and students are eagerly registering for classes. It is important that students who receive tuition assistance from third party sponsors provide an authorization immediately after registration. A third-party sponsor is an organization that agrees to pay for all or a portion of a student's cost for attending WCCCD. Students can submit their authorization at the campus and the information will be forwarded to the Bursar's Office for processing. Once the authorization is received by the Bursar's Office, it is validated and processed on the student's account. It is imperative that these authorizations are received in a timely manner in order to avoid cancellation of a student's registration.

Summer Safety Fair Downtown Campus

Friday, August 2, 2013

10:00am-1:00pm

International Tastefest- Downtown Campus

Saturday, August 3, 2013

11:00am-3:00pm



Meeting with Dr. Dave Nixon and Dr. Kojo Quartey from Monroe County Community College

Northwest Campus



Grammar Blast Summer Camp The Northwest Campus offered a Grammar Blast Camp for kids. This exciting camp gave students the opportunity to explore the wonders and quirks of the English language.



BACK TO SCHOOL HEALTH FAIR

In partnership with Connecting the Dots of Michigan, LLC, and the Institute for Population Health, a "Back to School Health Fair" was held at the Northwest Campus. The Health Fair provided kids in grades K through 12 with the necessary health screening required to enroll for the upcoming school year.



Health Science Center

Dr. Debraha Watson and JoAnn Allen Nyquist met with retired news anchor Amyre Makupson and Cynthia Adams from Covenant House of Michigan to discuss oral health care provided by our dental clinic for homeless youth and educational opportunities at WCCCD.



Professor Kim Worth from the University of Detroit Mercy, and Marge Buehner, WCCCD dental hygiene graduate and current faculty at the University of Detroit Mercy presented on behalf of the Detroit District Dental Hygiene Association to the second year dental hygiene students on professional responsibility, employment opportunities and lifelong learning.

Residents from Covenant House toured the Welcome Center, Dental Lab and the Interdisciplinary Health Science Simulation Lab. The residents were given detailed information on the admissions process, course offerings, and financial aid.

DEGREEWORKS TRAINING

The Northwest Campus Student Services Division recently conducted its first round of Degree Works training. The session was facilitated by Dr. Katherine James who gave an overview and practical application of the software.

