

CHANCELLOR'S WEEKEND MEMO

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Global Conversations SPEAKER SERIES

The Student Services Division in partnership with the School of Continuing Education presented Danielle McQuire, Award-Winning Author and Assistant Professor at Wayne State University as part of the Global Conversations Series.

Ms. McQuire is the author of At the Dark End of the Street: Black Women, Rape, and Resistance— A New History of the Civil Rights Movement from Rosa Parks to the Rise of Black Power.













WildCats Update

We would like to thank Coach Rogeric Turner for all his efforts with the Wildcats! Below is a note and update we received for Mr. Turner that I thought I would share with you:

"The men and women basketball season finished up and I want to thank you for all of your assistance. The coaches, players and staff appreciate all of your efforts."

<u>Women Basketball Team</u>: Crystal Bell received a scholarship offer from Lawrence Tech

<u>Men Basketball Team</u>: Daniel Price made the Michigan Community College Athletic Association All-Conference Team. James Crisp received scholarship offers from Marygrove and Rochester colleges.

Golf Team: First match April 9, 2012 Mott Community College

We held our monthly strategy session today with our external communications and marketing firms Bassett and Bassett, Incorporated and Cognos Marketing.



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DISTRICT PUBLIC SAFETY

We received a letter from Anthony Holt, Chief of Police for Wayne State University and I thought I would share a few excerpts with you:

"First of all the security detail that you put together at the Governor Snyder Town Hall Meeting was outstanding. My Board of Governors

wanted an update in case we will host a similar meeting in the future. I stated how well it was coordinated and that I would seek your counsel when or if we host such a event in the future."





District Public Safety officials are working toward providing less-than-lethal tools for their officers. Like many police agencies, WCCCD's department has a Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) procedure outlining the use of force, called the Subject Control Continuum. Recently, the entire department received training on Sabre Basic Chemical Aerosol Projector (a.k.a. mace) at the Michigan Institute of Public Safety Education. The objective was to conduct the most realistic training possible which involved the officers running one-quarter of a mile, then being sprayed by an agent, proceeded by baton and hand-to-hand combat, and handcuffing an offender. Chemical aerosol weapons are a viable method for controlling resistive behavior.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

- ♦ In a continuous effort to increase transparency, accountability and ensure the integrity of the District's Title IV funding, the Administration and Finance Division and the Financial Aid Department are working diligently on an internal report to enhance the Federal Pell Grant monthly reconciliation. This report/assessment will focus on incremental improvements of individual steps to delineate the overall business process and serve as documentation/evidence of the institution's continuous quality assurance process.
- Summer 2012 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. 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.

INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

The New Graduate Exit Survey is designed to capture new graduates immediate perceptions of their overall academic and student life experiences upon degree completion from WCCCD. This survey is administered annually by the Institutional Effectiveness (IE) Division, the Student Services Division, and the commencement committee to ensure proper feedback about student experiences with support services, learning outcomes, plans for professional career development, continued employment, and/or plans to further education. Below are some key findings from the 2011 New Graduate Exit Survey.

- 94.1% of respondents indicated that they would recommend WCCCD to others
- ♦ **72.2%** of respondents reported entering WCCCD as a first-time freshman
- 93.5% reported that WCCCD has empowered them to achieve their goals as stated in its mission statement.
- 77.7% reported working intermittently to full-time during their program of study
- 98.2% reported furthering their education as best describing their current/post-graduation plans

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



Later in the year, Windows 8 will be released as Microsoft's new operating system. The new system will feature touch technology similar to that on the Apple iPad and other tablet devices. When this system is paired with a tablet device, it will rival the iPad and Android devices such as the Samsung Galaxy S II. With the powerful hardware in today's computers and the ability to function on touch screen devices, Windows 8 will provide PC users with a strong software platform and diversify the tablet market.

STUDENT SERVICES

- ♦ The Michigan College Access Network (MCAN) and the Startup Grant review team awarded the Metro Youth College Access Network-Detroit a grant in the amount of \$50,000. This grant was proposed by the Metro Detroit YMCA and supported by the YMCA coalition of universities, colleges and non-profit organizations of which WCCCD is a member. The goal of the coalition and the new grant is to increase the proportion of Michigan residents with college degrees or high-quality credentials to 60% by the year 2025.
- ♦ The <u>Detroit News</u> partnered with WCCCD on a communication project with a taskforce of students. Discussion revolved around how students gather their information about world, national, state and local news. This project is the first with the <u>Detroit News</u> and WCCCD looks forward to more interactive discussions on a variety of topics.
- Yolanda Brock-Wisniewski attended the inaugural meeting to establish the Consortium of Michigan Veterans Educators. This group was formed in response to alarming data provided by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. The newly formed consortium seeks to link all community colleges and universities in the state to work collectively in improving services to veterans and their success rates in higher education.





Achieving the Dream







The Achieve the Dream Initiative could not accomplish its goals without exceptional faculty who go "above and beyond" what is expected of them. Professors R.L. Cooper, Deborah Franklin-McElrath, Adwoa Muwzea and Michael Wright exemplify this philosophy of excellence at the Northwest Campus. When entering their classrooms you can feel the enthusiasm and exhilaration from the students. Students in the Learning Community classes believe that the lessons learned today will be used tomorrow and wish to thank these extremely caring and incomparable educators.

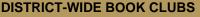




EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS

- ♦ The Educational Affairs Division continues to work with each campus developing the Fall 2012 academic schedule. Initial schedule corrections have been submitted and entered, with attention being paid to start and end time of classes and local transportation schedules. Data sources have been reviewed and will continue to be part of the final decision making process as we move towards finalization of the schedule.
- In an effort to increase the visibility of Educational Affairs throughout the District, the campus chief academic officers report to the District Office Building one day each week to work with Dr. Stephanie Bulger. The purpose of this initiative is to service students, help students achieve their goals, support faculty, build legacy and capacity.

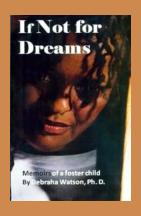
LEARNING RESOURCES CENTER



presents Dr. Debraha Watson, Author and Northwest Campus President

> Northwest Campus Tuesday, June 19, 2012 2:00pm

Downtown Campus Tuesday, July 17, 2012 2:00pm





The 25th Annual 4C Month of the Young Child Conference

Saturday, April 21, 2012 8:00am– 2:00pm Downtown Campus

College Week
April 30-May 4, 2012
10:00am- 4:00pm
Corporate College at the Eastern Campus

THE SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

In commemoration of National Poetry Month, the School of Continuing Education presented its 4th Annual Spring into Poetry Workshop at the Downtown Campus. More than 400 high school students were in attendance for the successful event. Participants explored different styles of literacy, self-expression and competed in a poetry slam contest.

District-wide Weekly CE Enrollment Maintenance Report

During the week of March 26 - 31, 2012 the District served 2105 participants by partnering with 18 community organizations.

Downriver Campus- 237 students Downtown Campus- 1019 students Eastern Campus- 458 students Northwest Campus- 369 students Western Campus- 22 students









THE OFFICE OF COMMUNICATION AND ADVANCEMENT

♦ Staff attended the 9th Annual Images and Perceptions of Arab Americans Diversity Conference. The focus of this educational conference was the Arab American image in the media, in government, in schools, and all aspects of integration into the fabric of our Nation. This year they partnered with the African American community and the Hispanic community, and they collectively presented and explored "Challenges and Commonalities."





♦ Dr. George Swan, Muna Khoury and Fizah Khan attended the Detroit Regional Chamber Spring Membership Reception. They had the chance to expand their business contacts and make new connections with hundreds of Chamber members in the Southeast Michigan Chamber Alliance.

On the Move...

Jamila Sudduth attended the 2012 Chair Academy International Leadership conference hosted by Georgia Perimeter College in Atlanta, Georgia. Ms. Sudduth participated in sessions that addressed the administrative and academic needs of post-secondary leaders, and developing skills required for effective leadership.



Website Hits

For the week of March 26 – April 1, we received 57,977 visits to our website. Visits came from 52 countries. We received 4,438 hits for the academic schedules and 2,650 hits for the college catalog.

CAMPUS PRESIDENT'S CORNER

♦ In partnership with DTE Energy, the Western Campus hosted the DTE Energy Customer Assistance Forum. The forum centered on various payment assistance programs including case management, home heating credits, residential income assistance credit, low-income weatherization, state emergency relief programs, THAW, winter protection plans and shut-off protection plan information for the consumer.









♦ Curtis Johnson represented the Western Campus at the Starfish Family Services annual resource fair. Starfish is an after-school enrichment program for students attending Tomlinson Middle School and Robichaud High School. This event did not only allow WCCCD and more than 30 vendors/ institutions the opportunity to provide information to prospective students and their families, but it also offered food box distribution and free health screening.

- Van Buren Soccer Association welcomed a "Meet and Greet the Coach's Day" at the Western Campus. More than 300 parents and children received information on positive experiences of youth sports and how important sports activities are in childhood development.
- ♦ The Downtown Campus welcomed the Skillman Foundation as they presented, "Boys of Color Symposium III: Warriors for Positive Change." The goal of the event was to bring together the African American and Latino community members to build an understanding of the barriers facing African American and Latino boys.







Scott West, Tutor at the Northwest Campus presented a workshop on "Mastering Biology Terminology" for students who are enrolled in natural science classes. He covered several topics and focused on the use of suffixes and prefixes as clues to the meaning of words to assist students on exams.

The Metro Detroit Historians Collegium comprises all collegiate history faculty in the metropolitan Detroit, Michigan region. The meeting featured presentations by Collegium members, forums to exchange information regarding teaching history at the college level, and a place to form valuable professional relationships. The spring meeting was held at the Northwest Campus.

The Michigan Rescue and Restore Coalition presented the "Hands that Heal" workshop for survivors of human trafficking to the public at the Northwest Campus. Following is an excerpt from their Board of Directors about the event:

"On behalf of the Board of Directors and myself we so appreciate your partnership in our efforts to bring the Hands That Heal Curriculum training to the area. To allow us a location to help raise awareness and educate the community to the atrocity of human trafficking. Your willingness to join with us in this endeavor speaks volumes to the concern and commitment you and the school have to the well-being of all citizens in our community. Our sincere thanks to Dr. Debraha Watson for stepping out with us to impact our community to make a difference through education as we work to save and restore a life from the bondage of slavery-human traffic."

DEFERRED MAINTENANCE













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Deferred Maintenance: At a Glance

Accountability & Transparency District-wide Deferred Maintenance

**CAMPUS NEEDS AS OF APRIL 4, 2012

Downriver

- LRC Renovation (new carpet, painting, furniture, redesign of current space) (Work should begin over holiday break)
- Marquee out front not working, needs repair or replacement (Marquee being ordered)
- Sidewalk repair to campus entrances and parking lots
- EPAC landscaping
- ♦ Air conditioner condenser pump not working

Downtown

- Bathrooms need renovation (waiting for vendor)
- Remodeling of Learning Center lab with new floor tiles instead of carpet [room 239](Work to be done during mid-winter break).
- ◆ Learning Resource Center upgrades –furniture, lights, etc.
- ♦ Concrete walls inside campus need power cleaning

Eastern

- Mechanical-AHU and Chillers (Obtaining bids)
- Security cameras (Waiting for installation)
- ◆ Evacu-chair (requisition in approval process)
- Corporate College roof leak partially repaired new work order submitted for new work

University Center

- ♦ Security cameras (On hold until next installment)
- ♦ Bathroom not completed, temporarily repaired
- ♦ Classroom # 131, furniture needs to be ordered-wall mount projector and dry erase board-platform needs building, electrical work
- Parking lot light pole needs replacement, was knocked down during snow removal (In process)
- Handicap door upgrade
- Install monitors

Northwest

- Carpeting in L17 in the Laboratory Science Building is in need of replacement (Being awarded)
- Backup generator for the Welcome Center is in need of service.
- Surge protection for emergency power system will need to be installed.

Western

- Learning Resource Center lights need wiring repair
- Plumbing issues (various minor)
- Soccer field needs to be completed

Accountability & Transparency		
■ Downriver ■ Downtown ■ Eastern ■ Northwest ■ Western		
Northwest 34% Eastern 20%		

Downriver Campus		
Total	\$627,954.94	
*Projects Pending		
Downtown Campus		
Total	\$470,712.11	
*Projects Pending		
Eastern Campus		
Total	\$313,742.76	
*Projects Pending		
Northwest Campus		
Total	\$784,765.77	
*Projects Pending		
Western Campus		
Total	\$117,488.00	
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