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April 21-24, 2012 - Orlando, Florida

We had the opportunity to showcase the District in a number of sessions during the annual AACC Convention held in Orlando, Florida, last week and the beginning of this week. On Monday, our presentation entitled "How Presidents are Leading Strategic Institutional Redesign to Advance Student Success and Financial Sustainability" was a huge success. Many thanks to Trustee Paddock for supporting our presentation. I was also a presenter in another session entitled "Enhancing the Community College Role in Reducing Recidivism." As an AACC Board member and member of the 21st Century Commission on the Future of Community Colleges, we were on hand for the release of the Commission's report "Reclaiming the American Dream: Community Colleges and the Nation's Future." Our delegation to the convention included Trustee Charles Paddock, Drs. Patrick McNally, Stephanie Bulger, Ron Harkness, Warren Dodson, Gunder Myran, and Randall Miller. Others were Annette Black, CharMaine Hines and Omobonike Odegbami.

IN THE NEWS: WCCCD's Study Abroad Program

WCCCD's Study Abroad Program continues to be a model for other community colleges both on the national and international levels. The study abroad trip to Puerto Rico was featured in the Community Colleges for International Development (CCID) Spring 2012 newsletter with the headline "WCCCD Study Abroad Students Explore America's 'Enchanted Island - Puerto Rico.'" CCID has 160 member institutions that provide opportunities for building global relationships that strengthen educational programs including studying abroad.



BROWN AND JUANITA C. FORD ART GALLERY

The Brown and Juanita C. Ford Art Gallery in partnership with the School of Continuing Education presented "The Business of Art" with Matthew Hanna, Artist and Business Owner of Midwest White Glove Fine Art Transportation.



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DISTRICT PUBLIC SAFETY



- ◆ The District Public Safety Ranger I patrol vehicle was on display outside of Comerica Park as the Detroit Tigers hosted the 1st Annual Detroit Tigers Law Enforcement Appreciation Night. The program was to support the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund to honor Michigan's law enforcement professionals with a special event that will support the National Law Enforcement Museum.



- ◆ Members from the District Public Safety Department went to the Detroit Police Pistol Range for a follow-up exercise to basic firearm qualifications. The basic training was designed to educate the officers regarding the multi-faceted role of the armed officer. They were taught the significance of weapon safety, legal implications for armed personnel, the importance of understanding departmental firearms policies and practical experience in a live fire environment.

FEDERAL WORK STUDY PROGRAM

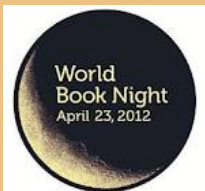
The Eastern Campus hosted more than 120 federal work study students, staff, and off-campus partners for the 3rd Annual Federal Work Study Luncheon. This event was held to show appreciation to our students and the supervisors who serve as mentors to them.



ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

- ◆ The Administration and Finance Division is currently in Phase Two, Budget Planning and Preparation of WCCCD's Multi-Campus Budget Development Process. This phase is one of the most vital steps in the entire process. The preparation of the draft budget includes projecting revenue for the District in the form of property taxes, tuition and fees. Similarly, projections of future expenses, such as salaries and fringes and other operating expenses are also prepared. These operating expenses are based on the financial requirements needed to achieve divisional and departmental goals for the upcoming fiscal year.
- ◆ The Division is also working with the Information Technology Division in order to implement online ACH (Automated Clearing House) payments. Students will have the ability to pay their tuition and fees online through their checking or savings accounts. This will give students more options in paying their tuition. Additionally this will benefit students who don't have access to credit or debit cards to pay online.

WORLD BOOK NIGHT



The first-ever World Book Night occurred this week in the United States. As a result, volunteers distributed a total of 500,000 paperback books in several communities. One of the books included The Hunger Games written by Suzanne Collin's. English Faculty Member, Jim Schaeffer distributed this book to his students and hoped that this project will be repeated again next year as a vibrant way to increase literacy.



STUDENT SERVICES



- ◆ Students and advisors of Phi Theta Kappa attended the annual International Convention. The convention was extremely beneficial for networking and learning what's happening nationally and internationally in the PTK organization. Congratulations to Earlene Williams for receiving the coveted Advisor Award. This award recognizes advisors with at least four years or more of service.
- ◆ As part of the District's continued mission to empower our students through excellent and accessible services, the Student Services Division partnered with the Downtown Campus to host students from Chandler Park Academy for on-site COMPASS assessment and a campus tour. The visit was part of the student's orientation into the Dual Enrollment Program and will prepare them for Summer 2012 registration.

Student Success



We congratulate Stevie Lynch on his accomplishments! Struggling as a high school student Mr. Lynch chose to complete a GED. Despite a lack of support, he attempted college at two separate schools before taking advantage of WCCCD. Utilizing the resources he found allowed him to achieve success in the classroom and become a valued federal work study student. He will be graduating with honors from WCCCD this June and has accepted a MICUP internship at Michigan Technological University this summer while he considers his transfer options.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Solomon Asmelash attended a one-day conference to investigate best practices and research a solution for the growing challenges of managing, retaining and storing email. Over the last several years the use and size of the email system has been growing with the growth the District has experienced. Therefore, it is very important that the District implement email retention and archiving.

INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

The Institutional Effectiveness Division implements an annual survey research calendar that collects data and feedback from students, faculty, staff and external community.

The following surveys are currently available online at <http://www.wcccd.edu/dept/survey.htm>:

- ◆ Spring 2012 Student Survey of Instruction (SSOI) – Closing 5/11
- ◆ Spring 2012 LRC User Satisfaction Survey (LRC)– Closing 5/7
- ◆ Spring 2012 Student Self-Service Center (SSSC)– Closing 5/7



Achieving the Dream

Campus Learning Communities held their end of semester gatherings where Achieving the Dream students, staff and faculty celebrated their successes and discussed potential program improvements. Certificates of appreciation were given to students and faculty. Students with perfect attendance were surprised with special recognition awards.

Students at the Western Campus were very pleased with both instructors, Colon McMonagle and Jeffrey Brown. Both instructors expressed their support and interest in teaching the Learning Community students in the coming semesters.



MICHIGAN COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP

The Michigan College/University Partnership (MICUP) program held their Annual Mix and Mingle at the Downtown Campus. New MICUP interns, former interns, students interested in MICUP and faculty in the science, technology, engineering and mathematical fields attended the program. The purpose was to acquaint faculty and new students with the program. Former interns shared their internship experiences at Michigan Technological University.



HEINZ C. PRECHTER EDUCATIONAL AND PERFORMING ARTS CENTER



STUDENT ART SHOW

The Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center hosted an opening reception for the Spring 2012 Downriver Campus Student Art Show. Students, family and members of the community viewed the variety of artwork created in the Spring 2012 art classes. The exhibit remains on display through Thursday, May 3, 2012.



MICHIGAN INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EDUCATION



Dennis Andrew conducted training on the District's Emergency Response Plan for staff at the Corporate College at the Eastern Campus.

WCCCD'S GENEALOGY CLUB

The Genealogy Club traveled to the Family History Library and Research Center in Salt Lake City, UT with the Oakland County Genealogical Society. The students conducted intense research on a special club project concerning the Underground Railroad as well as reaching back into their own family genealogy. Students had this to say about the trip.

- ◆ Earline Tolliver, "I was able to find more information about my grandfather's connection to Booker T. Washington at Tuskegee University. "
- ◆ Charles Butler, "I found the actual map of the plantation where my ancestors lived, now I plan to go and plant my feet on the land where they lived."
- ◆ Darren McKissic, "I was able to trace my ancestors to England in the 14th Century; I had no idea I could go that far."



On the Move...

- ◆ Anthony Arminiak attended the annual Michigan Safety Conference. Sessions included emergency management, bomb threats, disaster exercising, active violence, regional response, and social media tools. Mr. Arminiak also attended a Community Care Services, Mission, Vision and Strategic Plan meeting. He serves as a board of director for Community Care Services.
- ◆ Diane Gonzalez attended Community College Day at Eastern Michigan University. Highlights on various new programs in business, teacher education and articulation agreements were presented.
- ◆ Douglas Payne, Numerical Control Faculty Member at the Corporate College at the Eastern Campus attended a conference sponsored by the Center for Advanced Automotive Technology and Design and Manufacturing Alliance. The topic of discussion was "Living in an Electric Vehicle World." The keynote speaker was Haukur Asgeirsson, Manager, DTE Power Systems Technology who spoke about the state's energy policy, required renewable energy solutions, and resulting employment opportunities.

CAMPUS PRESIDENTS' CORNER

- ◆ Students from Romulus Middle School participated in an art exploration at the Western Campus. The event encompassed a variety of art activities which included painting, drawing, printmaking, and sculpture and provided students with exposure to a diversity of materials and techniques.
- ◆ The Downriver Campus hosted Atlas Oil's Stakeholder quarterly meeting for team leaders and members of the stakeholder group. This meeting updated team leaders on Atlas' financial status, new opportunities for growth and personal/professional development skills for individuals.
- ◆ The Downriver Campus hosted the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber (SWCRC) Ambassador Workshop. This workshop provided a list of strategies to promote new membership and welcoming new members to the chamber. They also hosted SWCRC's Success Strategies that Work Seminar with Michael Jeffreys, President and Founder of the Yes! Network. This seminar focused on making decisions, commitments and discovering your major obstacles and how to overcome them.

PROJECT HEALTHY LIVING



In partnership with United Health Organizations, the annual Project Healthy Living Program was held at the Northwest Campus. Participants were educated on disease prevention strategies and encouraged to take responsibility for their own health by adopting healthy habits and lifestyles. Free and low cost health screening services were offered.



DOWNRIVER DASH 5K RACE/WALK



The Downriver Campus hosted The Guidance Center's second annual Downriver Dash 5K Race/Walk with more than 250 participants. The dash, organized by The Guidance Center promoted health and wellness by encouraging community members from all over the Downriver area to participate in a fun, physical and challenging event. The race began at WCCCD and continued through Heritage Park.



INTERNATIONAL CHAT WITH JOHN BOLDEN



WCCCD's international students had a chance to meet and talk with Senior Executive Vice Chancellor John Bolden during an "International Student Chat with the Chancellor" session at the Downtown Campus. Students were able to share their experiences and gain information through a question/answer session.



FINANCIAL AID

The Downriver Campus conducted a financial aid workshop for Taylor High School senior students and parents. The workshop provided information to parents and student of the available funding for college and the steps to apply for the Federal Pell Grant for 2012/2013.

CORPORATE COLLEGE AT THE EASTERN CAMPUS



- ◆ The Corporate College at the Eastern Campus held a Detroit Michigan Works Career Readiness Workshop where graduates of the Health Information Technology (HIT) Program learned how to dress for success, have their résumés critiqued, and attended mock interviews. The event was a very successful initiative for students who are preparing for a career in health information technology.
- ◆ A meeting to discuss externship opportunities for HIT students was held with Peggy Chapo, Director of Health Information at Botsford Hospital.
- ◆ HIT program administrators Jim Robinson and Karen McCants met recently with Dr. Reginald Eadie, President of DMC Sinai-Grace Hospital. The topic of discussion was to explore placement opportunities students graduating from the HIT program.
- ◆ Denise Shannon and Dr. Sandra Robinson represented the Corporate College at the Strengthening Communities through College Partnerships Conference. Information was shared with participants about finance resources, grants, and partnerships which support collaborations between workforce development agencies and colleges.

DAVENPORT UNIVERSITY AT THE DOWNTOWN CAMPUS

Recruiters from Davenport University, along with their college mascot, "Pounce", were at the Downtown Campus with a very creative and fun way to recruit students from WCCCD after they graduate. During their coffee marketing event, students were treated to free coffee, had a chance to win a free iPad, and gained information about transferability.



MORNING WITH MATT ROUSH AT THE DOWNRIVER CAMPUS

The Downriver Campus hosted "A Morning with Matt Roush, Michigan's Technology Industry Recovery." Mr. Roush reviewed how thousands of Michigan companies are doing some amazing things with technology. During this interactive seminar, participants learned the current trends in technology and what those implications are for employers, employees, students, and community members.



WAYNE COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE HOLDS SEMINAR AT DOWNTOWN CAMPUS

The Wayne County Prosecutor's Office Victim Service Unit held an "Extending the Vision: Reaching Every Victim" seminar at the Downtown Campus. The goal of this event is to help victims understand that there is life after an assault by providing information to individuals affected by these crimes and the community. Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy was in attendance.



FIRST COHORT OF SHIFTING CODE PROGRAM COMPLETES TRAINING

Today, the first cohort of the MEDC sponsored Shifting Code Program completed classroom training in JAVA Enterprise at the School of Continuing Education Training Center. Officials from Quicken, Compuware, GalaxE Solutions, the Workforce Intelligence Network and other partners were on hand to congratulate these students. The second cohort of the WCCCD Shifting Code Program will begin next week.



IN THE MAIL....

We received the following letter of appreciation from Nicole Fisher, a representative from the University of Michigan Life Sciences and Society that I thought I would share with you:

"I wanted to thank you for the hospitality that we received from you and your staff last week. We had a very productive road-show campaign and personally enjoyed our time interacting with your students! I have to say, this was the best road-show that we have had so far :) We hope to keep lines of communication open for future ventures if ever WCCCD and the University of Michigan Life Sciences and Society work together again."

LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER



◆ In celebration of National Poetry Month, the Learning Resource Centers in partnership with the School of Continuing Education presented a poetry jam contest at the Northwest Campus. The panelists include Professor Steven Chennault and Jessica Care-Moore of Moore Black Press, internationally renowned poet/ publisher/ activist/ rock star/ playwright and actor. The objectives for the event were to engage students in the appreciation for the art of poetry, encourage students to write and recite poetry, highlight historical poems by famous authors, and participants will learn more about the different genres of poetry.

◆ In observance of Money Matters Week, the Learning Resource Centers across the District partnered with Public Service Credit Union to host workshops on the most important concepts of credit, including: the importance of credit, what information creates a credit score, and how to improve a credit score. They also covered the best strategy for paying down credit card debt.



DENTAL HYGIENE GRADUATE BRINGS HER HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO WCCCD

Dawn Damron, a graduate of WCCCD's Dental Hygiene Program and currently the Dental Occupations Instructor at Woodhaven High School, brought dental occupation students to an informational session, and tour of the Health Science Center. Dr. Debraha Watson greeted the students and provided campus information to assist them in applying at the District.



Upcoming Events



Aim for Healthy Living Health and Fitness Fair

Saturday, April 28, 2012
Downtown Campus
1:00-4:00pm

College Week

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

Special Recognition Ceremony Honoring Nursing and Allied Health Program

Friday, May 4, 2012
Heinz C. Pletcher Educational and Performing Arts Center– Downriver Campus
6:00-8:00pm

A Yoruba Class

Saturdays Only!
May 5– August 11, 2012
Western Campus
12::00-2:30pm

Kids' Fish 'n Fun Day

Saturday, May 12, 2012
Heritage Park– Coan Lake
12111 Pardee Rd. Taylor
10:00am– 3:00pm

5th Annual Chancellor's Reading Carnival

Saturday, May 19, 2012
Downtown Campus
11:00am– 2:00pm

GREAT NEWS!!!



The Nursing pass rate for the NCLEX Scores is 95.74% for the time period of January 1st to March 31, 2012.



2012 Commencement
June 2, 2012
11:00am
Ford Field

CONTINUING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



◆ The Detroit Pistons "Come Together" Program has been created to celebrate community champions from cities across the State of Michigan with an evening of excitement and basketball. Working with local, political, business and community leaders from cities throughout the state – their charge is to nominate, elevate and celebrate the people making a difference in our communities. Bernadette McClair has been selected as a nominee for this award for outstanding achievements, service to the community and leadership through volunteerism.

◆ The School of Continuing Education in partnership with the American Bikers Aiming Toward Education presented a Motorcycle Safety Awareness Workshop at the Downriver Campus. This workshop demonstrated ways to improve the safety of motorcyclists on streets and highways.

◆ The School of Continuing Education held its "Instructor Orientation for Summer 2012" at the Western Campus. The instructors were provided an overview of processes and procedures as well as a presentation on the importance of course enrollment marketing strategies.



District-wide Weekly CE Enrollment Maintenance Report

During the week of April 16-21, 2012 the District served 958 participants by partnering with 20 community organizations.

EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS

The semi-annual Advisory Committee Breakfast was held at the Downriver Campus. More than 125 committee members attended and participated in the program improvement discussions. Additionally, Matt Roush, Editor of the Great Lakes IT Report, spoke immediately following the breakfast and shared expansively on the technology needs of Michigan businesses.

**GRADES ARE DUE
BY MAY 9TH BY 4:00PM**



THE CENTER FOR DISTANCE LEARNING



The Center for Distance Education has completed faculty evaluations for the Spring 2012 semester. These evaluations provide important feedback on how we can improve, and how we can help support our faculty to instruct our students to succeed. Some primary purposes of faculty evaluations are to develop programs for professional growth and to promote effective teaching.

COMMUNICATION AND INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

Dr. James Robinson and Muna Khoury attended the Detroit Regional Chamber's Business Conference which brought together corporate executives, community leaders educational representatives and small business owners to help entrepreneurs across the city. Attendees discovered various types of business investments currently making an impact in Detroit, discuss issues affecting the economic turnaround of the city and learn the role businesses and educational institutions can play in building a strong urban center for Michigan.

DEFERRED MAINTENANCE



Wayne
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Deferred Maintenance: At a Glance

Accountability & Transparency District-wide Deferred Maintenance

****CAMPUS NEEDS AS OF APRIL 26, 2012**

Downriver

- ◆ LRC renovation (new carpet, painting, furniture, redesign of current space) (Painting is in process)
- ◆ Marquee out front not working, needs repair or replacement (Marquee being ordered)
- ◆ Sidewalk repair to campus entrances and parking lots
- ◆ EPAC landscaping
- ◆ Air conditioning condenser pump not working

Downtown

- ◆ Bathrooms need renovation (In process)
- ◆ Remodeling of Learning Center Lab with new floor tiles instead of carpet [room 239](Work partially completed).
- ◆ LRC upgrades –furniture, lights, etc.
- ◆ Concrete walls inside campus need power cleaning
- ◆ Downtown parking lot speed bump installation
- ◆ Removal and renovation in room 221 (remove large outdated counter and book self)
- ◆ Lower court yard clean-up from construction

Eastern

- ◆ Mechanical-AHU and chillers (Obtaining Bids)
- ◆ Security cameras (Installation in process)
- ◆ Corporate College roof leak partially repair new work order submitted for new work

University Center

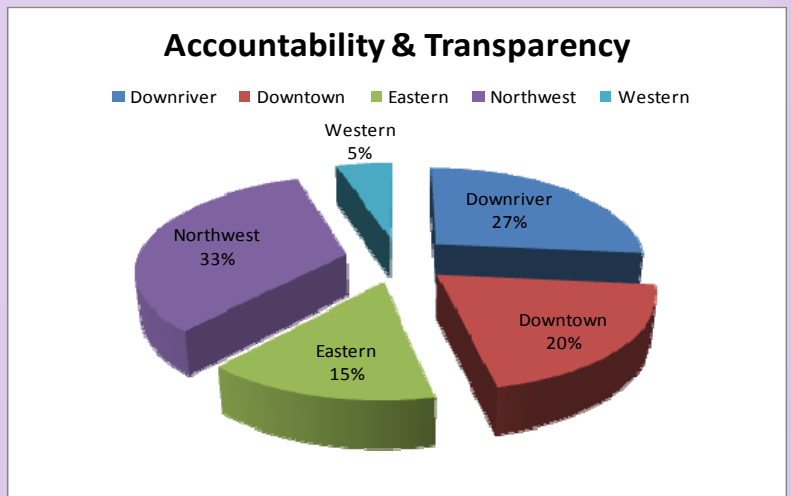
- ◆ Security cameras (On hold until next installment)
- ◆ Bathroom not completed, temporarily repaired
- ◆ Classroom # 131, furniture needs to be ordered-wall mount projector and dry erase board-platform needs building, electrical work
- ◆ Handicap door upgrade

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. (Work in process)

Western

- ◆ LRC lights need wiring repair (Work in process)
- ◆ Plumbing issues (various minor)
- ◆ Soccer field needs to be completed



Downriver Campus	
Total	\$627,954.94
*Projects Pending	
Downtown Campus	
Total	\$474,912.11
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Eastern Campus	
Total	\$350,964.28
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Northwest Campus	
Total	\$790,960.77
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Western Campus	
Total	\$117,488.00
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