

CHANCELLOR'S WEEKEND MEMO

January 20, 2012
Number 817

The Spring 2012 Faculty Organization Day was held on Saturday at the Western Campus. The theme was "Improving Learning for Student Success through Cross-Discipline Conversations." The event featured keynote speaker Dr. Mary-Anne Wolf, the John DiBiaggio, Professor at the Center for Reading and Language Research at Tufts University, and author of Proust and the Squid: The Story and Science of the Reading Brain. Faculty enjoyed several opportunities for professional development, including three breakout sessions on relevant topics including:

- ◆ Going Green: Sustainability Topics Across the Curriculum
- ◆ Maintaining an Effective Learning Environment (Classroom Management)
- ◆ Deep Reading and Deep Thinking Across all Curricula

The Division of Educational Affairs would like to extend thanks to the breakout session presenters and panelists for their participation in the intriguing discussions held in these sessions.



As we continue to align the District for the future, increasing communication between the campuses and the District becomes extremely important. Dr. Patrick McNally has been asked to help coordinate this communication through multiple channels, one of which will be a section in the weekend memo. This section will be used to update the District with activities and events that occur on the campuses.



LEARNING WITH IPAD IN HIGHER EDUCATION

Representatives Mary Ann Fricker and Sheri Shultz from Apple, Inc. presented an engaging and lively session for senior staff and campus presidents entitled, "Learning with iPad in Higher Education." This was an important opportunity for the District in helping us to remain current with technology and explore trends in teaching and learning, as well as professional development.

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Coming Soon...

Torme Sings Torme
February 11, 2012

Call (734) 374-3200 for tickets



We are pleased to announce the 2012 NISOD Excellence Awards nominees. These full and part-time faculty have demonstrated superior teaching. Since 2004, WCCCD has nominated 34 faculty to receive this prestigious award. We congratulate the faculty and encourage them to continue their contribution to teaching and learning.

Mary Perlman (Professor, English)
Bruce Ewen (Professor, Economics)
George Lakkis (Professor, Electronics)
Dr. Belinda Moses (Adjunct Faculty, Business)

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

In order to ensure a more secure and efficient computing environment for our students, the Information Technology (IT) Division has been installing the latest of a multitude of Microsoft security, anti-virus and other critical updates on computers in all student areas including classrooms, computer labs and the Learning Resource Centers. In the wake of various cyber attacks, IT has made keeping our computer systems safety a top priority.

STUDENT SERVICES

In the Student Service News...

Democrats in the Michigan Senate are creating legislation that would give each of the state's high school graduates college grants to help pay for tuition costs at Michigan's public universities and community colleges. The state's plan would give nearly \$9,500 per year to each student. While the funding for these grants has yet to be clearly laid out, early reports indicate that state Democrats have several ideas in the works including closing tax loopholes, ending tax credits, and collecting sales tax from out-of-state retailers.

DISTRICT PUBLIC SAFETY

BEST PRACTICES

Sergeant Calvin Boylston and Officer Bruce McCalpin from Oakland Community College's Public Safety Department conducted a best practice session with Lieutenant Bahrija Livadic and Sergeant Alexis Townsend. The training addressed how to properly assist students and staff with lock out services, focusing on safety techniques. The District is reviewing whether to implement these emergency lock out services for our students, faculty and staff.



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 Division have been working diligently to prepare the initial disbursement for Spring 2012. This collaboration will ensure that funds are received, managed, and disbursed to students in accordance with federal regulations.
- ◆ The Division is preparing and reconciling vendor payments in anticipation for issuing Miscellaneous 1099 tax forms for the 2011 calendar year. The process includes reviewing payments, corresponding with vendors to request "tax identification numbers" and current address.

THE SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

- ◆ Dr. James Robinson is attending a six-day workshop titled "Business Solutions Professional Certification Training for Southeast Michigan Regional." The goal of this training is to integrate with Michigan Works agencies, economic development agencies, two-four year colleges, business development groups, unions, local/state government, Michigan State University Extension, community partners and the Workforce Development Agency-State of Michigan (WDA). Dr. Robinson will take part in a roundtable to discuss challenges facing Michigan businesses among other topics.
- ◆ This week the School of Continuing Education is pleased to announce the awarding of the first cohort of participants in the State Board Continuing Education Units (SB-CEU's) program. Participants received certificates granted by the State of Michigan in the areas of: Creating a Classroom Website and Grammar Refresher. These courses are delivered online through our educational partners e2go, which allows educators the opportunity to earn SB-CEU's to maintain certification.

ON THE MOVE...

- ◆ Dennis Andrew of MIPSE met with JaNay Newton and Jamie Worrell from Solutia to discuss refresher classes in Incident Command System. The training is expected to begin in the Spring.
- ◆ Dr. Sandra Robinson represented the Corporate College at the Eastern Campus at Governor Rick Snyder's State of the State address in Lansing.

CAMPUS PRESIDENT'S CORNER

- ◆ The Downriver Campus hosted an onsite orientation/training program for students taking online classes for the first time. Completion of either the on-line or face-to-face orientation/training program is mandatory for all distance learning students.
- ◆ The Downriver Campus also hosted a team meeting of the Building Training, Building Quality Partnership program. Through the Affordable Care Act, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has been asked by Congress to oversee a demonstration grant program to train individuals to become qualified Personal Care Aides (PCAs) – those aides working outside of certified nursing homes, home health agencies, and hospice.
- ◆ The Entrepreneurial Institute and Resource Center held a workshop with Terrell Thomas, a local entrepreneur and Senior Partner of The Thomas Law Firm, P.L.L.C. Mr. Thomas discussed wills and trusts, the relevance of estate planning, and power of attorney. Mark Potter, the second speaker for this workshop discussed “How to Purchase and Sell Tax Deeds”. He also discussed the pros and cons of purchasing and selling tax deeds.
- ◆ The Detroit Department of Elections, in partnership with the School of Continuing Education, has resumed their Poll Worker Training classes at the Downtown Campus. The sessions are designed to educate community residents, who are interested in working the polls for upcoming elections, about assisting with the voting process.
- ◆ The Downtown Campus is getting a “face lift” with several renovations planned and in progress. Thus far, new carpet has been installed throughout a few hallways and contractors are currently working on the interior lights and the replacement of the chillers.

LEGISLATIVE CORNER

- ◆ The Michigan Legislature enacted two education bills at the end of the 2011 calendar year. House Bill 4163 prohibits bullying or harassment in schools. This bill was made Public Act 241 effective December 6, 2011.
- ◆ Senate Bill 618 on Charter School Expansion amends Public Act 451 and revises the school code by removing restrictions limiting the formation of charter schools.



MICHIGAN INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EDUCATION



The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE) hosted a ceremony for emergency medical technician students. Participants received Certificates of Completion and a MIPSE pin. Instructors from the program were present to congratulate the students.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

The Downriver Campus hosted the Boy Scouts of America, Mahican District Merit Badge Mania. This event provided Boy Scouts an opportunity to earn up to four merit badges. Over 40 different merit badge counselors assisted the scouts. Adult leadership classes such as Merit Badge Counselor training and Troop Committee Challenge were also provided.



WEBSITE HITS

For the week of January 11-17, 2012 we received 68,367 visits to our website! Visits came from 51 different countries and were viewed in 32 languages!



DEFERRED MAINTENANCE



Wayne
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Deferred Maintenance: At a Glance

Accountability & Transparency-District-wide Deferred Maintenance

CAMPUS PRIORITIES AS OF JANUARY 11, 2012

Downriver

- ◆ Light pole needs replacement (Facilities to move another light to accommodate, new pole is due in Feb. 23)
- ◆ LRC renovation (new carpet, painting, furniture, redesign of current space) (Specifications need to be confirmed)
- ◆ Marquee out front not working, needs repair or replacement (Specifications being developed)

Downtown

- ◆ Bathrooms need renovation (Specifications being developed)
- ◆ Carpeting needs to be replaced in room 239 with floor tile (Getting quotes)

Eastern

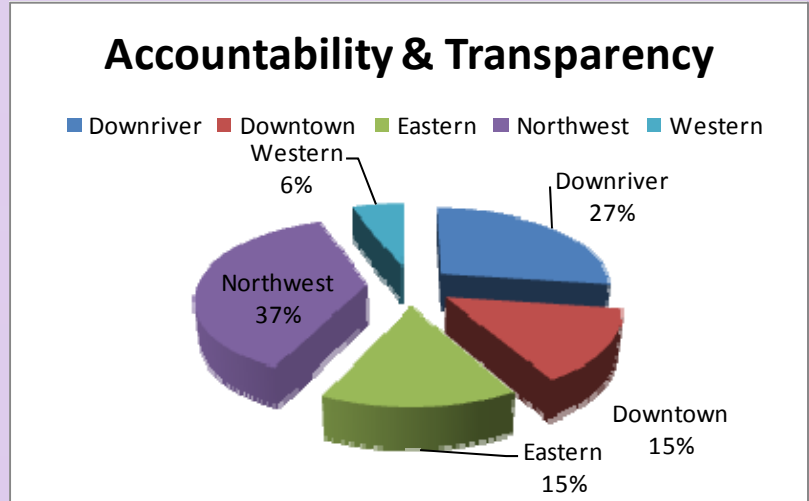
- ◆ Roof repaired in Cooper Room which was re-paired in August leaks again (Vendor came out on 1/18 to look at will be back on 1/23 to fix)
- ◆ Mechanical-AHU and Chillers (In process)
- ◆ Security cameras (Bids going to board in January)
- ◆ Copiers (Delivery date: January 27)
- ◆ Evacu-chair (requisition in approval process)

Northwest

- ◆ Foundation leak at AAB, LSB, and WC. (LSB and WC are complete, AAB is not)
- ◆ Main gate at the east entrance is severely damage (Gate being fabricated)(waiting on response from contractor that damaged gate)
- ◆ A new pedestrian entrance is needed at lot G off the Southfield Service Drive (on hold until spring)
- ◆ Equipment needed for snow removal season (New delivery date Feb.10th due to tire issue with John Deere)
- ◆ Replacement door needed for exterior west stairwell AAB (waiting on quote)
- ◆ Carpeting in L17 in the Laboratory Science Building is in need of replacement (Vendor to look at this week to give a quote)
- ◆ Carpet repairs need in the Learning Resource Center (Vendor to look at this week to give a quote)
- ◆ New computer lab in the Health Science Center (EXPANDED AS DISCUSSED IN THE NLNAC MEETING)

Western

- ◆ The Student Service sliding entrance door track needs to be fixed (parts on order)
- ◆ There is a sink hole next to the sidewalk located in the circular driveway entrance of the campus that needs to be filled. (Vendor to start work early next week)
- ◆ Plumbing issues – water fountain still leaking, janitor closet leaking (Vendor sending quote to replace water fountain)
- ◆ The first floor woman's restroom has a leak in the ceiling from a drain pipe from the 2nd floor janitor's closet that need to be repaired. (Vendor to fix this week)



Downriver Campus	
Total	\$556,096.94
*Projects Pending	
Downtown Campus	
Total	\$294,611.45
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Eastern Campus	
Total	\$313,742.76
*Projects Pending	
Northwest Campus	
Total	\$759,232.72
*Projects Pending	
Western Campus	
Total	\$117,488.00
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