

CHANCELLOR'S WEEKEND MEMO

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Wayne County Community College District's School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development in partnership with Infosys Limited, Global IT Company, launched the Software Engineering IT Boot Camp at University Center. This 18-week technology training program is uniquely designed to produce "Software Engineers" for openings in the IT Industry in Metro Detroit.



EDUCATION ACHIEVEMENT AUTHORITY OF MICHIGAN

I met with Dr. John Covington, Chancellor of the new Education Achievement Authority of Michigan (EAAM) and Dr. Miundrae Prince, Associate Chancellor, to discuss their interest in a partnership with WCCCD. The authority is a new state-wide system of schools that will be launched in the fall of 2012. The basic plan is to bring the lowest performing five percent of the state's public schools, starting with low performing schools in Detroit, into the authority and transform them into a mastery-driven system of schools that feature a rigorous curriculum, flexible schedules, performance-based promotion from grade to grade, and school-site autonomy. I invited Dr. Gunder Myran and Dr. Warren Dodson to join me for this first discussion with Dr. Covington and Dr. Prince regarding a WCCCD/EAAM partnership. I indicated my enthusiastic support for continuing to explore a partnership that aligns WCCCD's programs with the college readiness objectives of the authority.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING- MARCH 21, 2012



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DISTRICT PUBLIC SAFETY



A team of public safety officers attended training at Henry Ford Community College in the Community and Police Partnership Advocacy (CAPP) Program. Through CAPP training, law enforcement officers receive education about issues relative to mental illness and homelessness and how to effectively interact during a street encounter.

BEST PRACTICES

Chief Darrick Muhammad visited Kalamazoo Valley Community College Public Safety and Western Michigan University Police to discuss best practices of armed police staff. The meetings centered on the importance of training, protective vests, and public relations. The WCCCD team is in the process of gathering best practices from other community colleges and universities facing similar challenging issues of student safety.



ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

The Procurement Department is gearing up to start ordering summer instructional supplies. On average, the department will process approximately 80-90 summer instructional requisitions, which we will need to have delivered prior to the start of classes on Monday, May 14, 2012. The vendors are very cooperative in meeting the material deadlines. We are also processing several material requests for the upcoming 2012 graduation.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

More frequently instructors are adapting their instructional delivery to modern technology in order to reach their students more effectively. In the past, bridging the gap between student and instructor was hard to do considering that the methods of delivering information were limited. With modern technology, instructors are delivering information using the same media that student use and relate to most. Instructors are using podcasts, video lectures, and some are even going as far as using Twitter and Facebook to get information to their students.

THE SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



◆ The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development hosted a Career Exploration Day at the Downtown Campus for the DTE Energy employees enrolled in the Cohort II mechanical, spatial, and math training. Participants toured the Learning Center and learned about the resources that are available. The day also included an exploration of viable programs that would allow growth within DTE Energy.



Website Hits

For the week of March 14 – 20, we received 51,341 visits to our website. Visits came from 58 countries.

Top 5 Countries

United States* Canada* India*
United Kingdom* Mexico

BROWN AND JUANITA C. FORD ART GALLERY

◆ In partnership with the School of Continuing Education, 6th and 7th graders from Keystone Academy, attended an Art Exploration at the Western Campus. This program encompassed a variety of activities that included drawing and learning the techniques to create art. Participants also took a tour of the Juanita C. Ford Art Gallery to view the art work of Bruce Giffin. Students from Hope Middle School visited the Downtown Campus this week as well. They had an opportunity to tour the campus and view the artwork of Jide Aje and Sergio De Giusti in the gallery.



◆ The Heinz C. Prechter Educational and Performing Arts Center hosted the opening reception for the 2nd Annual Young Artists Expo in the Brown and Juanita C. Ford Art Gallery. More than 100 area elementary school students submitted work on the theme of "Spring" for the exhibit, which runs through March 26th. One student's work was selected for permanent display at the Downriver Campus.


Lecture and Demonstration with Carole Morisseau

The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development hosted an art exhibition titled Art and Storytelling – A Lecture and Demonstration featuring Carole Morisseau at the Brown and Juanita C. Ford Art Gallery at the Northwest Campus. Ms. Morisseau demonstrated the technique of drawing, using different mediums such as charcoal and pastel on paper. All of her drawings tell a life story. She also lectured on how to create your own story using art. The participants enjoyed her lecture and demonstration as she engaged them in an interactive workshop.



Wayne County Community College District's
School of Continuing Education
Presents

The Business of Art



Lecture and Demonstration
with
MATTHEW HANNA
Artist and Business Owner of
Midwest White Glove Fine Art Transportation

Thursday, April 19, 2012
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

BROWN AND JUANITA C. FORD ART GALLERY
NORTHWEST CAMPUS - HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER
8200 W. Outer Drive, Detroit, MI 48219

For more information, please call 313-496-2510
or visit our website at www.wcccd.edu

Upcoming Events at the Brown and Juanita C. Ford Art Gallery

WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT'S
SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION
PRESENTS

Trades: Mark Making In Prints



Evangelina Montgomery
Washington, D.C.



Jeanne Poulet
Montreal, Canada

BROWN AND JUANITA C. FORD ART GALLERY
DOWNRIVER CAMPUS
HEINZ C. PRECHTER
EDUCATIONAL AND PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
21000 Northline, Taylor, MI 48180

OPENING RECEPTION
Thursday, March 29, 2012 • 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

EXHIBITION
March 29 through May 25, 2012
Gallery Hours: Monday – Friday • 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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STUDENT SERVICES

- ◆ Career Service divisions from several community colleges were invited to a presentation by Durr Industries. Vital information regarding their sponsorship and internship programs aimed at college freshman was shared. Durr is positioned to work with freshman interested in engineering through the following design, project management, project development, building management, facility management, construction management, research and development. Students with a GPA of 3.5 and higher can benefit from a variety of services including tuition reimbursement, mentorship, 401K, etc. Participating colleges were WCCCD, Henry Ford, Oakland, Macomb, Schoolcraft, and Washtenaw community colleges.
- ◆ Yolanda Brock-Wisniewski, a member of the Army Grassroots Advisory Board, met with members to give an update on recent projects and to discuss ways to positively influence young people in our community. The board discussed the success of the WestPoint Leadership Conference and is currently putting the finishing touches on a locally sponsored leadership conference.

YMCA'S FUTURE PROFESSIONAL ACADEMY

Middle and high school students and their parents from YMCA's Future Professional Academy toured the Downtown Campus and were informed of the campus' featured programs. Donnell Mason, Judy Smouter and Dawn Floyd provided students with presentations on achievement and financial aid.



ACHIEVING THE DREAM

- ◆ Lorraine Colts of the Downtown Campus had the privilege to present a workshop to AtD Learning Community students on the topic of career planning and placement. She presented an extensive two-part series on how to select a career and how to secure employment. The Learning Communities are made stronger by involvement and interaction of both staff and faculty with students and we are pleased that the campuses are embracing the AtD Initiative by providing such support.
- ◆ This week students from Professor Rodney Cooper's Downriver Campus English 120 class received copies of the How to Be a Successful Student developed by WCCCD faculty. This was an important milestone for AtD students as they have completed all the student services workshops included in the booklet on time management, study skills, note taking skills and test taking strategies.



CELEBRATING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Women's History Month was celebrated in style with a Women's Tea at the Northwest Campus. The program featured a panel discussion about how women can help shape history by making a difference in the lives of others. Panelists, Dr. Debraha Watson, Bonike Odegbami, Sonia Grewal, Jo Ann Nyquist and Judy Smouter spoke to the audience about their life stories and how they seized opportunities to lift someone up or give back to the community. Program participants shared ways that they could make an impact on history by helping others.



INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

The Division of Institutional Effectiveness in conjunction with the Division of Educational Affairs administered the Learning Resource Center (LRC) Library Satisfactory Survey to students during the Fall 2011 semester. The survey was designed to gather information concerning students' initial encounters and experiences when utilizing services at WCCCD LRC's.

Top Five Reasons Students Visit the LRC

- ◆ Use computers
- ◆ Help with research
- ◆ Use online journals
- ◆ Use printer/copier
- ◆ Quiet place to study

CORPORATE COLLEGE AT THE EASTERN CAMPUS

- ◆ The Corporate College at the Eastern Campus was proud to host the last graduation for the Regional Energy Efficiency Partnership Training Program (REEPTP). Dr. George Swan, Raymond Lozano, SER Metro-Detroit Board Chair, Melanie Steele, Vice President of Operations at Walker-Miller Energy Services, and Shawn Crump, Business Representative, IBEW, Local 58 were guest speakers for the 41 graduates.



- ◆ The Entrepreneurial Institute held a workshop titled "How to Build Your Credit and Keep it Tight" at Pershing High School with Kevin Butts, CEO of KS Credit Education Solutions. Mr. Butts is also a certified professional credit executive.

UNIVERSITY CENTER



Dr. Sandra Robinson, Dr. Julie Corbett, Gary Cummings and Mike Dotson provided an overview of University Center and its university/college partnerships to the Grosse Pointe Shores City Council.

HEINZ C. PRECHTER EDUCATIONAL AND PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

The Heinz C. Pretcher Educational and Performing Arts Center hosted the Taylor Conservatory and Taylor Garden Club for a garden symposium titled "Growing Great Gardens." The garden marketplace was filled with garden-related books, soaps, herbal products, plants, tools, and garden related crafts.



NOW THAT IS GREAT CUSTOMER SERVICE!

Darlene Wimberley and Donna Hall were sent "Thank You" flowers from the District Call Center for great customer service and for above and beyond assistance to the Downtown and Western campus financial services while the staff was out for the week.

DENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAM

- ◆ Dr. Sonya Miller presented a lecture on “Aspects of Life with a Disability” to the dental hygiene students. The lecture included a PowerPoint presentation, DVD, and a discussion. Students were exposed to the thoughts, perceptions and feelings of people living with a disability in an effort to help them understand and treat patients with special needs.
- ◆ The Dental Hygiene Program partnered with the Detroit District Dental Hygiene Association to present a program on pain management. Speaker Shirley Braham from Dentsply Company provided the presentation to students, graduates and faculty. Pain Management coursework is mandatory for dental licensure renewal in the State of Michigan.
- ◆ The first year dental hygiene students partnered with Executive Women International Detroit Windsor Chapter to provide oral hygiene instructions to all first grade students at Mayberry Elementary School in Detroit. Each student received a toothbrush and toothpaste as well as oral hygiene information. Dental hygiene students presented puppet demonstrations. The response was overwhelming and as a result the students will return to do the same for second and third grades.



SOUTHERN WAYNE COUNTY REGIONAL CHAMBER, LEADERSHIP 21

The Downriver Campus hosted the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber, Leadership 21 Educational Module. Participants were introduced to various education systems from high school to four-year universities and colleges. They were also provided a tour of MIPSE and the Heinz C. Pletcher Educational and Performing Arts Center.



Dr. McNally puts out Mr. Arminiak's BBQ that got out of hand.

Upcoming Events

Knitting Circle for the Family
Saturdays March 24-May 5
10:00am– 12:30pm
Downriver Campus

Hands That Heal Curriculum for Survivors of Human Trafficking
March 10, 17, 24, 31
9:00am– 3:00pm
Northwest Campus

Opening Reception– Traces– Mark Makings in Prints
March 29
5:30-7:30pm
Brown and Juanita C. Ford Art Gallery– Downriver Campus

Global Conversations with Kimberly Simmons
Detroit River Project: “Caroline Quarlls, A Family Legacy of Freedom” and Underground Railroad Tour
Tuesday, March 29
Presentation 10:00-11:30am
Historic Bus Tour 12:00-3:00pm
Downtown Campus

Organic Gardening and Floral Garden Design
Downriver Campus
Organic Gardening March 26-May 7
9:00am– 12:00noon
Floral Garden Design
May 14– June 18
9:00am– 12:00 noon

Tips from Life's Little Instruction Book

511 Reminders for a Happy and Rewarding Life
By H. Jackson Brown Jr.

- ◆ Compliment three people every day
- ◆ Watch the sunrise at least once a year
- ◆ Look people in the eye
- ◆ Plant flowers every spring
- ◆ Learn to make great chili
- ◆ Have a firm handshake
- ◆ Remember other people's birthdays
- ◆ Overtip breakfast waitresses
- ◆ Say “thank you” a lot
- ◆ Say “please” a lot
- ◆ Learn to play a musical instrument
- ◆ Sing in the shower
- ◆ Live beneath your means
- ◆ Be forgiving of yourself and others
- ◆ Wear polished shoes



CAMPUS PRESIDENT'S CORNER



◆ Avanti Herczeg, Academic Advisor at the Western Campus, met with students at the Westwood Cyber High School (WCHS) to talk to seniors regarding options for college and applying for financial aid. WCHS is a high school for at-risk students who are able to take high school courses from home (for which they are provided a computer) and are required to attend in class/tutorial sessions/learning labs throughout the week.



◆ The Western Campus hosted the Michigan Green Industry Association Certified Applicators and Registered Technicians training workshop. The workshop included hands-on training for participants to become certified pesticide applicators and registered technicians. This workshop was well attended.



◆ The Western Campus hosted the March board meeting for the Michigan Association of Adult and Continuing Education. The agenda included finalization of the upcoming April conference in Traverse City, as well as, the induction of three new board members. Participants include representatives from Eastern Michigan University, Wayne State University, Oakland Community College, Lansing Community College and the Michigan Department of Corrections.

◆ Catherine Hall, Advisor from Ferris State University provided information regarding their bachelor degree programs to the campus student advisors and Trio coordinators. A PowerPoint demonstration was shared, as well as, an in depth question and answer session about the program and transferring credits from WCCCD.



◆ Regina Hopkins, Student Services Advisor conducted an Interviewing Skills and Resume Writing Workshop for the District's Ford Motor Company Youth and Adult Training Center (YAATC) students. At the end of the Spring 2012 semester, these students will apply for employment at the various Ford dealers as quick lane technicians.

◆ Representatives from the Downriver and Western campuses attended the Southern Wayne County Regional Chamber (SWCRC) Legislative Forum. Guest speakers were Bud Denker, Executive Vice President of Penske Performance and Penske Automotive Group and Senior Vice President of Penske Corporation. Mr. Denker is the event chair for the Chevrolet Detroit Belle Isle Grand Prix 2012.



◆ The Downriver Campus hosted the Downriver Guidance Center's Town Hall "Community Drug Awareness Night: Getting to Outcomes." Topics discussed included emerging drug trends, tobacco use, prescription drug misuse/abuse and underage drinking. They also hosted the Guidance Center Head Start, "Parents Empowering Parents conference. Topics discussed included extreme couponing, stress management and relationships and strengthening.

EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS



CONVERSATION WITH DR. GAIL MEE

The District had the pleasure of hosting Dr. Gail Mee, President of Henry Ford Community College. President Mee spent time with our senior leadership team in a discussion of community college leadership and the current trends affecting our work. Dr. Mee discussed her experience as a college president as well as major accomplishments that she and her staff have achieved. It was a pleasure to have Dr. Mee engage us in a professional development activity.

IN THE MAIL....



We received this very complimentary letter about the customer service Kerry Miller, Academic Specialist at the Downriver Campus provided to the AARP and I thought I would share some excerpts with you.

“On behalf of AARP, I would like to thank Kerry Miller for her guidance and assistance in introducing the Driver Safety Program to WCCCD. To date we’ve conducted three classes at the Downriver Campus. Additionally, we are scheduled to conduct classes at the Western, Eastern, and Downtown campuses within the next two months. Through her tireless and diligent efforts, each campus was contacted and the arrangements made for classes to be held there. Ms. Miller took on this task cheerfully and really made it painless for me. She is a true professional, a pleasure to work with, and an asset to the college.”

Chuck Means, Instructor, AARP Driver Safety Program

MICHIGAN INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EDUCATION

- ◆ The Wayne County Department of Public Health for an Emergency Preparedness Coalition Meeting was held at MIPSE. Their aim is to protect the health and safety of residents by partnering with trusted community leaders and equipping them with the knowledge and tools to help support citizens during a public health emergency.
- ◆ The Organizational Development Institute presented “ADA Classrooms, Labs, and Open Areas” via the ITV system. The workshop familiarized staff with accessible needs of students.
- ◆ MIPSE hosted several Wayne County Sheriff’s activities. The training unit received instruction for hands-on training in interview and interrogation. They also began a four-week jailor training class. Students were taught such topics as self-defense, CPR, fire safety, ethics and sexual harassment, cultural diversity, stress management, legal issues, and many for topics. The Sheriff’s office also held a one-day class on Concealed Pistol License. The class addressed loading and unloading, care and cleaning, fundamentals of marksmanship, self-defense and Michigan Laws pertaining to concealed weapons.



ON THE MOVE....

Dr. Doresea Lewis attended the women’s convention “Make Them Hear You.” The convention was sponsored by Tina Abbott, Vice Chair of the Wayne State University Board of Governors, and Jo Ann Watson, Detroit City Council Member. The purpose of the convention was to address quality of life issues for women, girls and families throughout Michigan and to help improve access to resources.



DR. WATSON ON THE MOVE...

Dr. Debraha Watson was interviewed on Rhonda Sciortino's Radio Show, “Crack the Code Succeed.” The show is based out of California. She spoke on the importance of education especially for

those youth aging out of foster care and the role that the community college can play.

DISTRICT BOOK CLUBS

Author Beverly Jenkins was the Western Campus guest facilitator for the District-wide Book Club. Three autographed copies of her book, “A Second Helping” were raffled to those students and staff that participated.



FACILITY REPAIRS AT THE WESTERN CAMPUS

Beacon Signs repaired the exterior ground lights for the flag poles at the Western Campus.



Members of the Northwest Campus Book Club

The Northwest Campus Book Club met to discuss “Perfect Peace” by Daniel Black. There was an in-depth conversation. The next book will be available to read next week, “Olive Kitteridge” by Elizabeth Strout.

DEFERRED MAINTENANCE



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Deferred Maintenance: At a Glance

Accountability & Transparency District-wide Deferred Maintenance

CAMPUS NEEDS DISTRICT-WIDE

Downriver

- ◆ LRC renovation (new carpet, painting, furniture, redesign of current space) (4/16/12)
- ◆ Marquee out front not working, needs repair or replacement (Review in process)
- ◆ Sidewalk repair to campus entrances and parking lots (In process)
- ◆ EPAC landscaping (Mid May 2012)
- ◆ Air Conditioning condenser pump not working

Downtown

- ◆ Bathrooms need renovation (Bids due this week)
- ◆ Remodeling of Learning Center Lab with new floor tiles instead of carpet [room 239] (4/6/12)
- ◆ 12 new tables for the atrium with matching 50 chairs. (Waiting for delivery)
- ◆ LRC upgrades –furniture, lights, etc.(In process)

Eastern

- ◆ Mechanical-AHU and chillers (Obtaining bids)
- ◆ Security cameras (In process)
- ◆ Evacu-chair (Order placed 3/22/12)
- ◆ Corporate College roof leak partially repair new work order submitted for new work (In process)

University Center

- ◆ Bathroom not completed, temporarily repaired
- ◆ Classroom # 131, furniture needs to be ordered-wall mount projector and dry erase board-platform needs building, electrical work (In process– 25 tables and 50 chairs)
- ◆ Parking lot light pole – needs replacement, was knocked down during snow removal (In process)
- ◆ Handicap door
- ◆ Install monitors

Northwest

- ◆ Carpeting in L17 in the Laboratory Science Building is in need of replacement (Being awarded)
- ◆ Repairs need to the fencing on Faust St. (3/30/12)
- ◆ Back-up generator/surge protection for the Welcome Center is in need of service

Western

- ◆ LRC lights need wiring repair
- ◆ On-going plumbing issues around the campus

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