# **CHANCELLOR'S WEEKEND MEMO**

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING- MAY 13, 2014





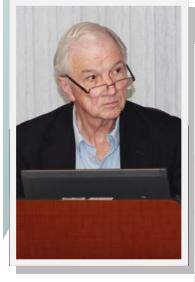










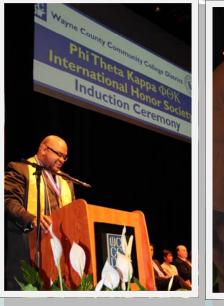








# **Phi Theta Kappa Induction**







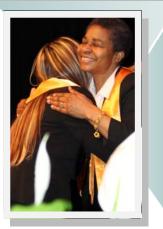
# **ANNUAL RECOGNITION DINNER**

The TRIO Recognition and Appreciation Celebration took place this week at the Downtown Campus. The program was designed to celebrate students in the TRIO program that are graduating from WCCCD on May 31, 2014.













#### **DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES**

#### Michigan College/University Partnership



Michigan College/University Partnership (MICUP) selected eight WCCCD students with a strong desire to becoming engineers for summer internships. During the summer, students will experience their very own research study understanding their findings and creating a document to explain what they have learned. Over the past weekend WCCCD interns met fellow interns from other institutions and participated in team building exercises which allowed opportunity to bond.



#### **Best Practices**

WCCCD Student Services Department continues to improve the services offered to our students. This week, WCCCD was invited to participate in a panel discussion about best practices at Eastern Michigan University. There were also representatives from Oakland Community College and Schoolcraft Community College on the panel.



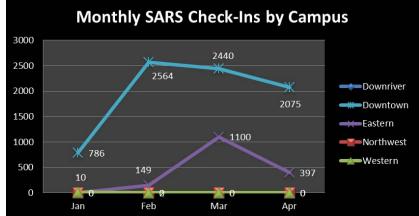
The U. S. Department of Education identifies financial aid applications that are to be verified for accuracy. The prestigious designation as a U.S. Department of Education Quality Assurance college enables the District Financial Aid Office (DFAO) to customize financial aid file verification. Through annual analysis, the DFAO decides the files that are to be reviewed, not the Department of Education. The result is that the focus is only on the students who would benefit the most, allowing faster and often larger awards.

#### WCCCD Transcript Requests

More than 400 official transcripts were forwarded to four-year colleges and universities within the state of Michigan for the month of April. Students are transferring to continue their post-secondary education and receive bachelor's degrees. WCCCD students on the move!

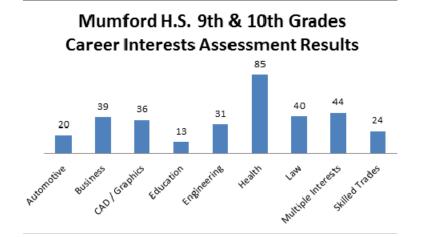
#### **Student Tracking Delivers Results!**

The District Admission and Records Office has launched SARS throughout the District. SARS is a student point-of-service (POS) tracking system used to determine the services that students are requesting in our Learning Centers and how long it takes for those services to be delivered. The graph is based on the number of student visits at each SRS active Learning Center.



#### Mumford High School Dual Enrollment Career Interests

CharMaine Hines worked with counselors at Mumford High School to administer a career interest survey to 9th and 10th grade students as a targeted approach to offering career courses and programs, as part of the dual enrollment partnership for Fall 2014.



#### THE SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT







According to a recent edition in this year's Forbes online periodical, it was stated that workforce development was one of the "Top Issues Facing Higher Education in 2014" quoting:

"Workforce development is taking on greater importance as employers are once again hiring but they are still having difficulty finding applicants with needed skills. This is creating dialogue around America's 'skills gap' and the need for higher education to do a better job of preparing future workers. Meanwhile, business and industry remain largely on the sidelines in terms of efforts to increase employee degree completion."

The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development have partnered with a number of organizations including the Urban League of Detroit and Southeast Michigan, DTE Energy, Infosys, Incorporated, UST Global, to name a few, to be the leading training institute positioning and retraining individuals to fill employment gaps.

#### ON THE MOVE ....

Dr. Jim Robinson served on the State of Michigan Workforce Development Agency Committee to re-design the Annual Carl Perkins Grant Application. The committee's recommendations have been adopted by the State and now serve as the revised application for years to come. The new application has streamlined the requirements

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**PUBLIC SCHOOLS** 



The MES University Center hosted an all-day training session for more than 60 Grosse Pointe Public Schools' teachers and staff. The training included general and special education teachers, and other specialists who currently co-teach or plan to co-teach as part of their District's inclusion practices.

#### **GROSSE POINTE LIBRARY FOUNDATION**

Martha Grier, Dr. Julie Corbett and Dr. Sandra Robinson represented the District at the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation's "Books on the Lake" authors' program. Authors Dennis Lehane, Rhoda Janzen and Gloria Whelan discussed their books, answered questions and signed their books at the conclusion of the evening. The Grosse Pointe Library Foundation thanked the District for sponsoring the program and for the continuous support of their Foundation.



The MES University Center facilitated the Harper Woods **DUAL ENROLLMENT** High School Dual Enrollment Orientation for Fall 2014. Staff discussed the Dual Enrollment Program's goals and expectations of students enrolled in the program.

#### DEFERRED MAINTENANCE Northwest Campus- Spring Clean up

In preparation for the summer season, reseeding of the native grass is complete. Native grass helps to promote a warm and friend welcoming environment to students and the community.



**ON THE MOVE...** 

Nichole Pardo represented the District at Harper Woods Champions Council meeting. Ms. Pardo distributed career program information as well as information about upcoming summer camps and workshops across the District.

## **OFFICE OF CAREER DEVELOPMENT**



The Office of Career Development continues to take shape! It is located on the first floor of the District Administration Build-The goal is to increase information to ina. our constituents and to help change the educational lives of those we serve. Presently, we are completing our work on curriculum changes and new programs which will be moving forward this fall.

We are excited by the number of individuals that have stopped by to see us and extend that invitation to all. We will continue in our efforts to make career program information "front and center" over the coming months.

#### WEBSITE HITS!

Week of May 5-11, 2014

45,724 visits 62 countries visited Academic Schedule- 4,984 hits College Catalog- 1,164 hits Weekend Memo-157 hits.

**Top Five Content Views** Student Services- 11,431 Financial Aid-10,942 Academic Programs: 7,315 Academic Schedules- 4,984 Faculty and staff Resources- 4,410

#### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS WITH BANNER FUNCTIONALITIES

Representatives from the Divisions of Information Technology (IT) and Finance visited Washtenaw Community College to review and understand the use of the Xtender Solution software. The team met with the accounts payable and IT teams to discuss the different phases of implementation, process enhancements, system controls, system set up and benefits of the system.

#### **LEGISLATIVE CORNER**

**In District Tuition for Veteran:** On May 7, 2014, the House Military and Veterans Affairs Committee reported out House Joint Resolution M, which would amend the constitution to require colleges to charge only in-district tuition to all veterans regardless of their residency status. The Michigan Community College Association remains strongly opposed to this legislation, although we remain hopeful that the bill sponsor remains open to a compromise that would alleviate the fiscal impact to colleges. The resolution now goes to the full House of Representatives, where it will require two-thirds support.



**Community College Budgets Advance:** Both the House of Representatives and the full Senate this week approved their initial versions of budgets for Michigan community colleges. These versions generally mirror those that had come out of the Appropriations Committees, with both chambers recommending total funding of \$371,524,900.

#### ACADEMIC PROGRAM PLANNING MORE NEW CAREER PROGRAMS ANNOUNCED FOR THE FALL SEMESTER!



The remaining new career programs starting in Fall 2014 received final approval this week. Catalog language has been prepared and submitted for the upcoming 2014-2015 College Catalog. New courses are being placed into the Fall 2014 schedule and student advisors will be supplied with advising guides (called Talking Points) on these new programs.

- CIS: Business Analytics
- Patient Care Technology
- Auto Body Technology
- Railroad Rules and Safety,
- CIS: Database Administration
- Bookkeeping.

In addition, our existing program in Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning was completely modified to meet current industry needs.

## **ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**



#### IMPORTANT NOTICE! PRIOR APPROVAL FORMS AND TRAVEL EXPENSE REPORTS

Time is winding down for the 2013-14 fiscal year. If you were approved for professional development travel, you must submit your Travel Expense Report, even if there is no reimbursement to you. For audit purposes, your Prior Approval and Travel Expense Report is required documentation for our records. Travel Expense Reports are due within ten days of your

return from an approved professional development event, unclaimed expense reimbursements may be forfeited if not submitted within the proper timeframe.

# INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

The Association of Institutional Research (AIR) provides online professional development courses for institutional researchers. Academy courses build institutional research skills needed to support data-informed decision making. The courses are accessible without travel or special software, and are designed for busy employees who need on-the-job and on-the-go training.



The Academy is committed to:

- Building capacity in institutional research and data use at two-year institutions by offering a certificate focused on the institutional research discipline
- Offering courses accessible without travel for busy employees that can receive on-the-go training
- Developing Scholarships for attendance that are based on institutional nominations

Keri Wallace was awarded the AIR Data and Decisions Academy Presidential Scholarship and completed two courses offered by the Academy. Ms. Wallace stated "The courses were self-paced and they equipped me with skills needed to be successful in my daily IR tasks. I look forward to taking more courses and completing the entire program."



# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Cedric Macon and Maliha Khan of the District Communications Management Center team attended the Fred-Pryor: Microsoft Excel Beyond the Basics professional development course.

## **INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT**

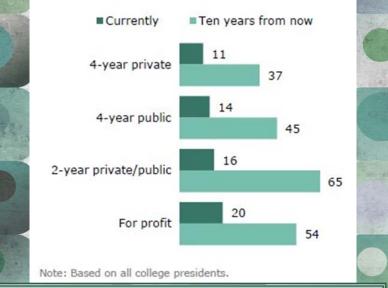


Muna Khoury serves on Wayne Metro Community Action Agency's Detroit Division Advisory Committee. The duties and responsibilities of the committee include acting as an ambassador for the Wayne Metro Detroit Division, serving as a liaison for the community at large, providing recommendations and guidance concerning the needs of City of Detroit residents and constituents.

#### **CENTER FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION**

#### Presidents Predict the Future of Online Learning

% saying more than half of their undergraduate students have taken/will be taking an online class



According to the Pew Research Center, college presidents see distance education as a strong growth market of the future. While two-year schools expect to see larger growth than four-year schools, all predict that more than half of their students will eventually take at least on online course.





The Western Campus in partnership with Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) hosted the second annual JDRF conference titled "Living with Diabetes: A Family Day of Inspiration, Hope and Education." The conference focused on persons living with Type 1 Diabetes and insulin required Type 2 Diabetes, their families and the health care community. The event was well attended with more than 1,200 participants. Key note speakers included Type 1 diabetic Olympic Skier Kris Freeman and Miss America 1999 Dr. Nicole Johnson also a Type 1 diabetic.





# U.S. COAST GUARD

In partnership with the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, the Western Campus hosted a Weekend Navigator Workshop. The eight-hour seminar was facilitated by certified Department of Natural Resource personnel. Topics included educating the boating enthusiast in skills required for a safe voyage.



#### VAN BUREN AREA'S LITTLE LEAGUE OPENING DAY

The Western Campus continued its partnership with the Van Buren Area Little League at the leagues opening day. The WCCCD color guard lead the parade to the baseball fields while the WCCCD mascot welcomed more than 350 players and their families.





# Downriver Campus



# **MICHIGAN INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EDUCATION**



The Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education hosted several organizations this week:

Operators of the Detroit Edison Fermi 2 Plant in Monroe County attended a Fire Brigade training course. This annual training is a requirement of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.



- Staff conducted a Weapons of Mass Destruction Radiological/Nuclear Awareness Course. This course provided an overview designed for first responders and other personnel who, in the course of their normal duties, are likely to be the first to arrive on the scene of a radiological/nuclear incident.
- Members of Detroit Edison energy generation plants attended a three-day training session to become members of the fire brigade at their plants.

#### **New JOHN DEERE GATOR**



The Downriver Campus has received a John Deere Gator to assist with maintaining the 97 acres of grounds at the campus.

# WAYNE METROPOLITIAN ACTION **AGENCY COMMUNITY BABY SHOWER**

The Downriver Campus hosted the Wayne Metropolitan Action Agency community baby shower. Low income mothers and fathers with infants up to three months of age were provided information and resources to help care for their newborn. The shower also provided items to help welcome their new baby.



# YOUTH AND ADULT AUTOMOTIVE TRAINING COMPLETION CEREMONY

The Downriver Campus hosted the Youth and Adult Automotive Training Completion Ceremony (YAATC). YAATC is designed to train disadvantaged men and women in Maintenance and Light Repair (MLR). The goal of the program is to produce qualified technicians for entrylevel positions in local



dealerships or aftermarket repair shops.

#### **ON THE MOVE...**

- Brigitte June attended the Michigan Occupational Special Populations Association Conference.
- Kerri Barnett-Novack and Ella Lynch attended an informational • meeting at the Eastern Michigan University Office of Admissions and the Office of Community College Relations. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss transfer agreements, scholarships and personnel.
- Lina Warra and Gail Arnold attended the Ninth Annual Career Expo at the Michigan Institute of Aviation and Technology.

### **EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS**

#### **RENAISSANCE HIGH SCHOOL DUAL ENROLLMENT STUDENTS**

Renaissance High School dual enrollment students are posing with WCCCD t-shirts. These high school students are enjoying Mathematics and Anthropology courses this term. Our partnership with Renaissance High School is expanding in the Fall semester to include more courses and opportunities for students to jumpstart their college education.



#### **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

WCCCD is currently completing applications to develop new certificate programs through the Department of Education. This initiative

will not only allow students more flexibility and program choices, but will also provide additional financial aid to qualified students.

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Washtenaw Community College hosted the Michigan Community College Association's Regional Faculty Conversations: Dialogue on the Michigan Transfer Agreement. Discussions on the transfer agreement were facilitated by the Michigan Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers, and focused on planning statewide faculty committees. WCCCD faculty members, Dr. Curtis Greene, Dr. Ella Davis, Professor Lillian Jenkins, and Professor Mary Mahony were in attendance.

#### **CAREER PROGRAM COMPLIANCE FORM**

In order to ensure that we are offering the best and most up-to-date courses to our students, WCCCD's certificate and career programs are constantly under review. The chart depicts an at-a-glance view of the metrics for all career programs, and it is completed by each program at the beginning and end of every semester. This allows WCCCD not only to adapt existing courses to the changing work environment, but to follow educational and career trends across a larger spectrum to increase student achievement and post-graduation success.



### **CAREER CORNER**

#### Career Corner Anesthesia Technology

WCCCD will be the first school in Michigan to offer a program in Anesthesia Technology. This program will be piloted in Fall 2014 with courses offered through the Health Sciences Division at the Northwest Campus. At the end of the two-year program, students will receive an associate's degree and have the skills to apply directly for positions assisting an Anesthesiologist with patient care and clinical procedures. Jobs in this field are available in a variety of locations and specializations, including the operating room, outpatient care, labor and delivery, and the emergency room.





# Eastern Campus Graduation Class Meeting



# **KRISPY KRUNCHY CHICKEN OPENS NEAR THE EASTERN CAMPUS**

Krispy Krunchy Chicken is in the process of opening a new restaurant near the Eastern Campus. The Eastern Campus partnered with representatives from the restaurant to provide a venue for conducting interview sessions in order to hire new employees for the new location. This partnership truly promoted an opportunity for self-empowerment and economic sustainability for Eastside residents.





# **MASTER MINDS STUDENT SUPPORT GROUP**

The Master Minds Student Support Group at the Eastern Campus presented Brittany Green with a Dell laptop computer. Ms. Green was recommended to the group for her outstanding achievements in her Achieve the Dream Psychology class during the Spring 2014 semester.

## **DISTRICT ENGAGEMENT WORKSHOP**

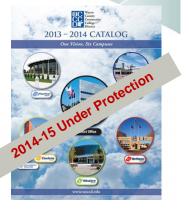
Dr. Randall Miller led a workshop on current issues in higher education requiring leadership. Participants Carlton Daniel and Dr. Renady Hightower led a book discussion on The Truth About Leadership, and Richard Woolfolk hosted a tour of the Downtown Campus.



#### 2014-15 CATALOG

The 2014-15 College Catalog is currently under production and on schedule for availability in June, 2014. The catalog is an official publication that is reviewed and updated annually by all divisions, campus administration and faculty.

Updates include new programs, courses, transfer agreement and financial aid disclosures.









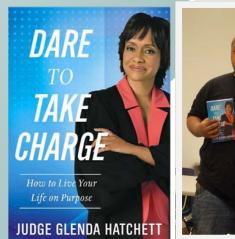
## **SISTERS ACQUIRING FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT**

Gwen Shannon met with Kalyn Risker, Executive Director of Sisters Acquiring Financial Empowerment (SAFE) to discuss partnering again this year for the SAFE Health and Wealth Expo. The expo focuses on helping women and families who are survivors of domestic violence enhance their quality of life by connecting them directly with information and resources to improve their finances and health.

SAFE Health and Wealth Expo **Northwest Campus** Saturday, October 11, 2014

# **GED** STUDENTS **RECEIVE BOOK GIFT**

Northwest Campus GED students were presented Judge Glenda Hatchett's book Dare to Take Charge to challenge them to continue to dream big and make decisions to live a purposeful life. Students were excited to receive the book and stated that this will help to encourage and keep us motivated to succeed.





# **ON THE MOVE...**



Andrea Juarez, Matt Green, Melaundra Floyd, Nahla Baaqi, and Carlton Daniel conducted a "Best Practice" tour at Oakland University (OU) The tour included a demonstration of OU's Simulation Lab and their Sim View Control Room. Sim View allows the coordinator to capture data, including video and audio recordings, during simulation scenarios and allows for better feedback during student debriefing.

Karow Gordon, Associate Dean, visited K-12 schools within the community to discuss WCCCD programs including the Northwest Campus summer camps.

# **BREITHAUPT CAREER AND TECHNICAL CENTER RECRUITMENT VISIT**

Students from the Breithaupt Career and Technical Center visited the Northwest Campus and participated in a health sciences career exploration workshop. They also toured the campus and participated in an informational seminar conducted by the Division of Student Services on admissions, financial aid and course offerings.





#### IN THE MAIL ...

MCOLES Recognition of WCCCD's Police Authority as a Law Enforcement Agency

Dear Chief Muhammad:

This correspondence serves as notification that MCOLES has activated the recognition of the WCCCD's Police Authority as a law enforcement agency as formed under the Community College Act of 1966 (1966 P.A. 331). The activation date for the recognition was January 22, 2014, at which time the WCCCD Board of Trustees completed the second public hearing and passed the resolution establishing the agency. On behalf of the Commission and the MCOLES staff, we look forward to working with the WCCCD's Police Authority and its staff.

# **DISTRICT PUBLIC SAFETY**



Lieutenant Livadic and Lieutenant Johnson participated in the legal update training that addressed constitutional law, 4th Amendment search and seizure and other aspects in law enforcement.

#### HUMAN RESOURCES WELCOME NEW ADJUNCT FACULTY!

The Division of Human Resources and Accountability hosted a welcoming luncheon this week for new adjunct faculty. Dr. Stephanie Bulger welcomed faculty and introduced staff. There were more than 85 staff and faculty in attendance. Human Resource staff was also on hand to meet and answer questions.









#### **CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT**

The Continuous Quality Improvement Audit Center collects, reviews and conducts monthly reconciliations and on-going audits of all District data. A systematic approach is used to procure data from multiple sources, allowing for collective knowledge through accountability and transparency. The Office of Accountability and Transparency with a team consisting of individuals from Information Technology, Administration and Finance, Institutional Effectiveness and Educational Affairs were assigned to audit the Summer 2014 Faculty Load Report. Data was reviewed and documented for a full report.