Board Briefing Summary

Student Recruitment and Enrollments / Student Activities and Services

Dean of Students

On March 7th, fourteen student affairs staff – mostly comprised of Student Support and Cohort Advisors under the direction of Angie Auldridge and Jaime Bachtell attended the annual Maryland Community Colleges Chief Student Affairs Officers Best Practice Conference hosted by Frederick Community College. Angie Auldridge (Director of Registration & Student Support), Trisha Horowitz (Student Support Advisor) and Mike Martin (Coordinator, Athletic Advising) presented sessions. Angie Auldridge was recognized along with 21 of her peers as a graduate of the 2nd cohort of the Community College Leadership Institute, a cross-function student affairs group that meets in person monthly September – March to learn about big-picture community college administration and that receives mentoring by the chief student affairs officers; Kevin Crawford is representing HCC in Cohort 3. mentored by senior student affairs. About 250 student affairs professionals from across Maryland's 16 community colleges participate in the annual MCCCSAO conference.

Student Activities

Grant funds were used to digitize the Student Care Cupboard (food pantry) data collection system in February. Students now log their usage quickly and easily on iPads that collect information about the number of items taken, suggestions for additional items to stock, and if they are experiencing food insecurity. If students indicates they are experiencing food insecurity, they are prompted to submit a Need Help? Form so someone from HCC's Care Team can reach out to them about additional resources. The information can be viewed in English, Spanish or French.

Data collected for February 11 - 28 (approximately three weeks) showed there were 374 visits and 124 unduplicated cupboard users. There were 1374 items taken. Ninety-four percent of responders said the cupboard met their needs, and 39% (45 unduplicated students) said they were experiencing food insecurity. Access to this electronical data allows us to grow this program to best meet student needs.

Athletics

Men's Basketball – Our men's team is the 2025 Region 20 Champions! We entered District play as the 3 seed and lost to Harcum College 69-71. The team will take a few weeks off and then get back to off-season conditioning.

Women's Basketball – Our women's team qualified for the Region 20 Tournament. Only the top 8 teams get in. Making the tournament was one of the goals we set when we started the season. We lost to the CCBC-Essex, who were the eventual Region 20 champions. The women's team will also take a few weeks off and then get back to off-season conditioning.

Baseball – The team opened their regular season schedule in MD going 4-0 against conference opponents. They left for their spring break trip on March 5th and are currently playing a 12-game series at the Jackie Robinson Training Complex in Florida. Currently (as of March 10th), the team is 6-1 in Florida, with 5 games remaining.

Softball – The team opened up their regular season schedule in MD going 1-3 against both in and out of conference opponents. They left for their spring break trip on March 8^{th} and are currently playing an 8-game series at Fast Pitch Dreams in N. Myrtle Beach SC. Currently (as of March 10^{th}) the team is 0-2 in SC with 6 games remaining.

Men's and Women's Indoor track & Field – 5 members of the indoor track and field team traveled to Lubbock TX for the Indoor Track & Field Nationals. SO. Aidan Faith placed 4^{th} in women's High Jump. The other members increased their PRs but did not place in the finals.

Men's and Women's Outdoor Track & Field – The outdoor track and field team will compete in their first meet on Friday, March 21st, at the University of Richmond Invitational. This year's team consists of 19 men and 8 women.

Golf – The team will open their season on March 27th with a home match at MD National. This year's team will feature a 10-person roster.

Men's and Women's Soccer are currently in off-season conditioning and will participate in a couple of off season scrimmages this spring.

Volleyball is also currently in off-season conditioning and working out both on the court once a week and in the weight room.

Our new Fitness Center Coordinator, Tyler Ackerman, is doing an amazing job with all of the sports teams and is currently working with all of the teams on workout regimens and conditioning.

Career Development, Internship and Job Services

<u>Internships</u>

There are 14 Internships being held this semester.

Course	Degree Program	Faculty Advisor	Site Name	# of Credits
ADJ-269	Administration of Justice	Andrew Kramer	State's Attorney's Office for Washington County	2
ART-269	Visual Arts	Margaret Yaukey	Washington County Arts Council	2
ART-269	Visual Arts	Margaret Yaukey	Washington County Museum of Fine Arts	3
CAD-269	CAD, Mechanical Engineering Technology	Olu Bamiduro	Bushey Feight Morin (BFM) Architects	3
CDC-270	Substance Abuse Counseling	Fran Cade	ADAC	3
CSC-269	Computer Science	Abdelkebir Kmir	Hearty Pet	3
CSC-269	Computer Science	Abdelkebir Kmir	Tech Team Solutions, Inc.	2
HST-269	Human Services AS	Fran Cade	Washington County Community Action Council	3
IST-269	Computer Support Specialist	Doug Leisher	Streamline IT Solutions	2
IST-269	Computer Support Specialist	Doug Leisher	Innovative Inc	3
IST-269	Computer Support Specialist	Doug Leisher	Horizon Goodwill Industries	1
IST-269	Cybersecurity	Harold Jazdziewski	Horizon Goodwill Industries	2
IST-269	Network Administration/Cybersecurity	Harold Jazdziewski	Hagerstown Community College	3
PSY-269	Psychology	Christine Cramer	Brook Lane	2

For Summer internships, there have been 21 internship applications received to-date.

Career Closet Pop-Up Shop

The annual clothing drive is underway and will continue through March 31st. Generous donations of gently used professional clothing and accessories continue to be received. The Spring Career Closet Pop-Up event will be held March 18, 19, and 20 in the Student Center Upper Dining area from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. HCC students will be able to select up to 5 FREE items.

Career Expo and Open House

Collaboration with Workforce Services & Continuing Education and Admissions is underway for the upcoming Washington County Career Expo @ HCC and the HCC Open House event being held on Friday, March 28th in the ARCC from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Career Expo is being hosted in partnership with Washington County Business and Economic Development; Washington County Chamber of Commerce; and, WCPS. Planning and organizing efforts are proceeding.

WCPS anticipates there will be a nearly 300 high school students (Seniors and Juniors) that will be transported by bus for the event. Waynesboro high school students will also be attending. The Open House will include 50 HCC tables being hosted by Faculty and Staff that will offer information and program activities, as well as campus tours, for the attendees.

There are over 100 employers registered to participate. An extensive marketing plan has been established and began early March, which includes billboards, cable, radio, and social media for a 30-mile radius. The target audiences are soon-to-be college and high school graduates seeking entry-level jobs, internships, and apprenticeships; as well as, the general public that will include early career jobseekers and experienced workers seeking to change careers or seeking to re-enter the workforce. The goal is to attract at least 700 attendees to be comprised of nearly 200 HCC students, 300 high school students, and 200 area jobseekers.

It is anticipated that jobseekers may also include area federal workers that have been impacted by recent layoffs. Washington County has identified there may be around 3,000 people impacted living in Washington County. There could be an increase in the number of jobseekers over the two recent Career Expo events due to this recent development.

Resume Review Sessions

Resume Review Sessions for HCC students are planned for March 18 and 19 between 9 am - 3 pm in the Career Development, Internship and Job Services Office located in STC 138. Students are invited to schedule a 20-minute session and bring a hard copy of their resume to be reviewed. Students will receive personalized feedback on layout, common mistakes, and the presentation of their experiences to help them to have a professional resume for their future job search.



Credit Curriculum Development and Teaching and Learning Matters

Academic Division News

<u>DEV:</u> The Program of Adult Literacy Services (PALS) hosted a team from the Department of Labor on Wednesday, March 5 for a National External Diploma Program (NEDP) Roadshow visit. We reviewed the history of NEDP with HCC, discussed challenges our students face, and shared methods to keep students engaged and moving toward graduation. We also had a few past and current students speak with the reviewers. We were excited to report that the percentage of students graduating from HCC's NEDP program has exceeded the state average for the past four years! The visit was encouraging for both the HCC team and the Department of Labor staff, and we look forward to continued success with this high school diploma program.

Early College Degree Program: There were 87 Priority Applications Received (Deadline March 3, 2025) as compared to 77 received last year (Deadline a month later April 1st). The regular deadline is May 5, 2025.

Admission Results (of those 87 Applicants)

74 – Admitted
6 – Need to take Algebra 11 during the summer to be admitted
3 – Missing application items
4 – Not eligible due to GPA

Graduation Year

23 – Class of 2026 63 – Class of 2027

1-Unknown

<u>High School</u>

78 – WCPS 1 – BISFA 7 – Boonsboro 1 – Clear Spring 1 – Connect ED 15 – North Hagerstown 13 – Smithsburg 25 – South Hagerstown 10 – Williamsport 4 – Grace Academy 1 – Greencastle 1 – Griggs International Academy

- 2-Homeschool
- 1 Waynesboro

<u>Title III Updates:</u> New Student Orientation planning is in place for the Fall 2025 semester. Faculty, staff, and student volunteers work together to provide a ¹/₂ day set of activities from a Welcome Session, Campus Information Sessions, Campus Tour, Academic Sessions, and Lunch. Between August 2023 – January 2025, there have been 1,477 students attending an in-person New Student Orientation, and another 576 students that have attended an online New Student Orientation version.

<u>Phi Theta Kappa:</u> First, I am thrilled to report that as of this moment (though the award announcements are currently ongoing on a rolling basis throughout April), two of our PTK officers and All-Maryland Academic Team Members, **Scott Petty** and **Thomas Weidmyer** (who were present to meet the board back in January), have been awarded two of PTK's national scholarships.

Scott has been recognized as 2025 New Century Transfer Pathway Scholar after receiving the second-highest score among all applicants in the state of Maryland. He will be recognized at our upcoming Middle States regional conference and will receive his award, including a \$2,250 scholarship, at the Phi Theta Kappa's Presidents Breakfast held during the AACC Convention in Nashville on Tuesday, April 15, 2025.

Thomas has been named a 2025 Coca-Cola Academic Team Gold Scholar and will be recognized at our upcoming national conference (he will literally be walking on the national stage!), PTK Catalyst, in Kansas City for the April 2-6 convention). Thomas has been awarded a scholarship of \$1,500.

Both Scott and Thomas were among around 2,100 competitive applicants and received some of the highest awards available.

Rachel Haymes is a semi-finalist for the prestigious **Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship**. An article from the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation is below:

LANSDOWNE, VIRGINIA (MARCH 6, 2025) – Today, the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation named 467 community college students as semifinalists for its highly competitive Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship. This transformative scholarship empowers exceptional community college students with financial need to transfer to the nation's top four-year institutions while avoiding the burden of student debt. The award, which is last dollar funding after all institutional aid, can provide as much as \$55,000 per year for two to three years to complete a bachelor's degree at any accredited four-year undergraduate institution in the U.S.

"Our Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship represents a lifeline for exceptional community college students to actualize their academic dreams," said Giuseppe "Seppy" Basili, Executive Director of the Cooke Foundation. "This year's semifinalists exemplify the extraordinary talent found within community colleges across America, and we're excited to congratulate this group as we celebrate a quarter century of work as a Foundation." The 467 semifinalists were chosen from a pool of more than 1,600 applicants and attend 212 community colleges in 43 states. The rigorous selection process assesses candidates on their exceptional academic ability and achievement, demonstrated financial need, perseverance, and leadership.

The Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship provides comprehensive support that extends far beyond financial assistance, recognizing that admission and enrollment are only the beginning. This scholarship is designed to help students not only reach college but successfully navigate and complete their journey. Selected Cooke Transfer Scholars receive personalized educational advising from the Foundation's Deans of Scholar Support, who guide them through the transition to a four-year institution and help prepare them for future careers. Scholars also gain access to transformative opportunities including internships, study abroad experiences, and graduate school funding, as well as inclusion in a thriving community of more than 3,400 fellow Cooke Scholars and Alumni who provide mentorship and networking connections throughout their academic and professional lives.

A list of this year's Cooke Transfer Scholar semifinalists and their respective community colleges can be found below. The Foundation will announce the 2025 Undergraduate Transfer Scholars in May. To learn more about the Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship, visit the website <u>here</u>.

Florence, J. (2025, March 6). In its 25th year, the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Names 467 Semifinalists for Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship. Retrieved March 11, 2025, from In its 25th year, the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Names 467 Semifinalists for Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship. Awards: We also just received news that the PTK Pi Theta Officer team (Alexia Mentzer, Thomas Weidemeyer, Jaelynn Smith, Jack Krumpe, Caitlin Koontz, Amanda Snyder, and Wyatt Klauber) have been selected for the 2025 Distinguished Chapter Officer Team Award, and the PTK advisor team (Alicia Drumgoole, Stacy Reikowsky, Jess Baker, and Dawn Schoenenberger) have also been selected for the 2025 Distinguished Chapter Advisor Team Award, which both are also national recognition awards. Our team has also been invited to be recognized on the national stage at April's Catalyst conference.

Fundraising Activity: The Pi Theta Chapter will have a fund-raising booth at the Flower & Garden Show running March 14 - 16.

Conference Attendance (March 6-9): There were 10 students and 3 advisors that attended the Middle States Region Conference which offers an array of events and activities throughout the weekend focusing on leadership, scholarship, and successfully running your Chapter.

Reminder for Events:

Graphic Design – Photo Students from both HCC and BISFA program will have a joint Photography Exhibit on April 3, at the Washington County Arts Council. <u>"Portraits of Those Who Inspire"</u>

Graphic Design, Interactive Design and Game Development, and Web Site Development Concentrations host their Portfolio Review: Thursday, April 17, 5-7pm ATC 132

Art Showcase: Thursday, April 24, 4:30-7:30pm (Kepler Lobby and Black Box) This will include work created in our studio arts classes, performances from our music ensembles, as well as work created in courses across the English and Humanities division.

Spring Musical (Anything Goes): Friday-Saturday, April 25-26, 7-9pm and Sunday, April 27, 2-4pm. (Kepler Theater)

Dance Recital: May 2, 7-9pm (Kepler Theater)

<u>Partnership Event between HCC and Wilson College:</u> **ArtsFest** is an annual celebration of the arts in our community, showcasing the remarkable art, artists, and artistic opportunities at Wilson. ArtsFest '25 will run from April 7 - 11, 2025. As part of ArtsFest '25, our Cooley show will center on community Shared Stories through shared experiences, participation, practice, cooperation, collaboration, presence, and engagement. Wilson College & HCC art & design students and faculty who have been engaging in any arts-based research, experiences, or projects/assignments as a part of their coursework are encouraged to share their work.

<u>NUR:</u> Meritus Health and Hagerstown Community College are partnering to offer a flexible Evening/Weekend RN Program. Meritus is offering full-tuition scholarships. There are 24 spots available and the application due date is August 15. Orientation for Evening & Weekend Program will be provided on March 25^{th} from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in CPB 124.

Faculty Assembly Report from February

Dawn Nally, Assistant Professor of Nursing, Michelle Blash, Associate Professor of Practical Nursing, and Karen Hammond, Director of the Nursing Division, are leading the work in collaboration with Meritus for the evening/weekend RN program starting in Spring 2026.

Harald Jazdziewski, Assistant Professor of Cybersecurity. HCC Students from CYB, IST, CS, and Digital Forensics and two instructors participated in the NSA's Codebreaker Challenge. Our HCC students:

- placed 42^{nd} out of 572 institutions, in the top 10%
- placed 14th in student/instructor participation. HCC had 112 students.
- Placed 2nd highest for community colleges.

Emily Boward, Instructor of Biology/Forensic Science, has completed a master class for Principles of Biology I (BIO 113).

Kathy Fike, Instructor of Health Information and Management Program and Tanda Emanuel, Assistant Professor of Electronic Health Records (EHR) & Health Information Management (HIM). Both Kathy and Tanda attended the quarterly meeting for the Maryland Health Information management Association (MDHIMA). Both earned CEU's on leadership, current job role changes, AI in coding, risk adjustment trends and legal updates in the HIM field. These updates can be applied in lessons to our HCC students.

Jane Choi-Doan, Associate Professor of Environmental Studies/Life Sciences. At the AFACCT meeting in January, Jane agreed to be the HCC representative for the MD Collegiate STEM Conference (MCSC) Organizing Committee. She plans to attend the 10th annual meeting to be held in April.

Ashley Dolsen, Instructor of Nursing, passed the certification exam as a Certified Nurse Educator. Certifications in nursing specialties help show proficiency in that specialty. This particular certification is difficult to obtain.

Ed Bass, Assistant Professor of Mechatronics & Industrial Technology and Greg Betz, Assistant Professor of Industrial Technology & Alternative Energy, visited two local manufacturers who have hired and would like to hire mechatronic technicians

• Fil-Tec, Inc: their Smithsburg, MD and Waynesboro, PA sites make threads, fibers, and yarns from everything from candle wicks to bullet-proof vests.

• Certainteed (St Gobain): Their Williamsport, MD site makes vinyl siding in any imaginable color and texture. Other sites manufacture roofing shingles.

Erick Schwartz, Associate Professor of Political Science/International Relations. His State & Local Politics (POL 102) course had MD Delegate Matt Schindler (2B) visit the class on Monday, Feb 17, 2025. He spoke for an hour about what drew him to public service, his zig zag path to his current post in Annapolis the most effective way to lobby, the job of a state legislator, and the importance of internships.

Eric is the faculty advisor of the Political Science Club and the club has two events coming up in Feb.

- On Thursday, Feb 27, 2025, Dorien Rogers, President for the Maryland State Conference of Youth & College Division of the NAACP accepted an invitation to come to HCC.
- On Wednesday, Feb 19, 2025, the club will be going to Baltimore to a lecture/discussion on international relations with former US Senator Ben Cardin. This discussion is hosted by the Baltimore Council on Foreign Relations.



Audra Haddock Martenot, Assistant Professor of Digital Media Communications is

participating in many Exhibits this month as an exhibitor or reviewer.

- Audra has three photographs at the Washington County Arts Council for the 15th Art Educators Exhibit. The opening was Feb 6, 2025, and runs through March 4, 2025.
- She also was a Portfolio Reviewer for the Spring Mills High School 2nd annual Portfolio Review Day, on Feb 7, 2025. This event is good for networking and recruiting since many other college and university faculty were present.

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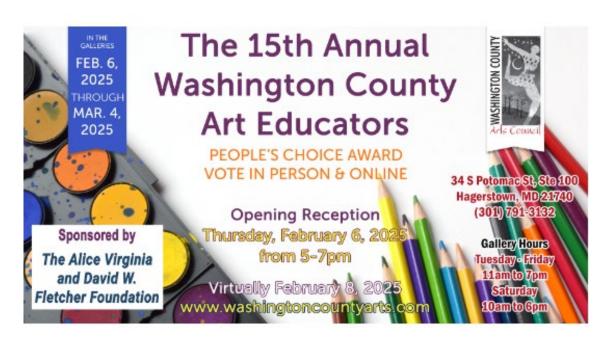
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- Audra's work will also be on display in the Cooley Gallery at Wilson College during the 2025 Wilson & HCC Faculty Exhibition themed "Shared Stories" this month. Opening night is Feb 26, 2025, and the exhibition runs until April 30th.
- Lastly, coming up in April, Audra's photography class will team up with BISFA photography program for a Joint Photography Exhibit at the Washington County Arts Council, "*Portraits of Those Who Inspire*". Younger WCPS elementary and middle school students who are associated with the "*Portraits of Those Who Inspire*" can participate in a photo contest.

Attachments for some of these events are attached.



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The 15th Annual Washington County Art Educators

Thursday, February 6, 2025 - Tuesday, March 4, 2025. Opening Reception Thursday, February 6, 2025 from 5pm to 7pm in the galleries 34 S Potomac St, Ste 100, Hagertown, MD 21740

College Advancement

See end of report attachments for Lunch and Learn Invitation and Grants Report.

David W. Fletcher Incubator + Labs

- Awarded \$1,000 by the Community Dreams Foundation for financial literacy training for our members
- Spark Innovation and Growth Conference to be held May 6, 7 and 8.
 - May 6th, 2025; 5:30-8pm- Sip, Sparkle, and Soar- Find Your People, Find Your Power: An empowering, action-oriented evening designed to elevate women in their entrepreneurial journeys.
 - May 7th, 2025; evening- Vendors, networking and workshops
 - May 8th, 2025- day- Vendors, networking and workshops
- Currently looking for sponsors, vendors and speakers for the conference
- Speaking at the Kiwanis Club lunch on March 13

- In the final stages of building an app for our incubator members to track progress through the program
- Meritus is looking to rent lab space from us. Meeting scheduled on May 12.

Grants Development Report March 10, 2025

I. PROPOSALS

IN DEVELOPMENT ARC Preliminary Proposal	DEADLINE March 20, 2025
AWARDED FY25 MHEC Campus Security Grant Consolidated Adult Education and Family Literacy Services Washington Cty. Hotel Career Expo Swipe Out Hunger MD Food Pantry Capacity Grant Fletcher Incubator + Labs BHA MD Pilot First United Community Dreams Foundation Total Awarded FY25	\$52,500 \$529,527 \$10,000 \$3,000 \$6,300 \$100,000 \$211,000 \$1,000 \$913,327
AMENDING	
SUBMITTED AND PENDING FY25 NSF Epixego Sub Ameriprise Financial ARC GEAR UP HOOD/NSF Bio Experiential Learning Sub Nora Roberts Foundation – Hedge Apple Road to Careers – CTOOLS Calvin K. Kazanjian Economics Foundation <i>Total Pending</i>	\$2,000 \$20,000 \$260,110 \$0 \$2,970 \$500,000 \$7,500 <i>\$785,080</i>
DECLINED FY 25 TEDCO Equitech AACC AWMH Metallica Cohort 6 Charitable Gaming Commission DOL WORC MD DLLR Digital Equity Subgrant Total Declined FY25	\$164,240 \$75,000 \$10,000 \$1,458,378 \$499,000 \$2,206,618
EXPLORING	
NSF Advanced Technology Education Library Funding – Loaner Laptops ARCC Emergency Preparedness – Generator Arts and Humanities	Laurie Montgomery Kendra Eric/Rick Dana

Arts and Humanities

Dana

Hunger Resources Entrepreneurship Honors Program ECON research BIT/CARE Training Student-led Community Gardening D.M. Bowman Center Equipment Human Exploration Rover Challenge	Heather/Jennifer Maureen Alicia/Stacy Corey/Stacey Jaime/Eric Jane Theresa/Jack Ed Bass			
REPORTING ARC Dental CCAMPIS APR Title III APR	3.30.25 3.3.25 4.11.25			
HOLD (For Future RFP Cycle)				
 TEDCO Equitech USDA Rise ETA Cybersecurity Upskilling Initiative NEH <u>Humanities Connection</u> AACC/All Within My Hands DOE Basic Needs Hunger Free Campus Grant Maryland Space Grant Consortium 	April 2025 April 1, 2025 April 2025 June 2025 June 2025 August 2025 Sept. 2025 Nov. 2025			





Planned Giving:

Lunch & Learn Monday, April 21, 2025 11:00am-1:00pm Hagerstown Community College Career Programs Building, Room 211/213

11400 Robinwood Drive Hagerstown, MD 21742

Join us for an insightful lunch to learn more about planned giving! Local professionals, Jeanne Singer of the Law offices of Jeanne F. Singer, P.A. and David Abeles, AAMS, CFP, of Abeles Flurie Wealth Management Group of Wells Fargo Advisors will be sharing valuable information and answering your questions. This is a great opportunity to gain knowledge on how you can make a lasting impact through thoughtful giving.

We look forward to seeing you there!

RSVP by Monday, April 7, 2025 by emailing collegeadvancement@hagerstowncc.edu or by calling 240-500-2348.

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Please park in lot "G" or "F" colored in green on the campus map above. The entrance for the event will be located within the teal circle.

Please contact us at 240-500-2348 with any questions or for accessibility needs.



Empowering Entrepreneurs and Small Business Owners

May 6 and 7, 2025 | 5pm to 8:30pm May 8, 2025 | 8am to 2pm Hagerstown Community College

3-Day Conference -ree Event 2025

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