

Board Briefing Summary

Student Recruitment and Enrollments / Student Activities and Services

Dean of Students

Students from HCC's **Phi Theta Kappa Chapter** were introduced at the January Board meeting as nominees for this year's All USA Academic Team. As a result of these nominations, Alyssa Neff has been named a 2023 Coca-Cola Academic Team Bronze Scholar and will receive a \$1000 scholarship to her four-year transfer college; she is one of about 1,400 exceptional community college students supported by the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation annually. Caniah Mayo is also one of 459 semi-finalists (out of more than 1,700 applicants) for the Jack Kent Cook Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship, still under consideration. Additionally, HCC's chapter was recognized at the PTK Middle States Regional (MSR) Conference (held March 10-12 in Baltimore) where they secured 5th place for their College Project, *One World Festival*, and how the event contributed to HCC's year-long diversity programming series, *In Our Backyard*. This recognition was out of more than 300 chapters in the region. Finally, a past HCC student member, Heidi Kielek, receive 5th place for one of the Top 10 Outstanding PTK Members Award. Special thanks to HCC's PTK advisor Dawn Schoenenberger and Kristin Hoffman for their continued work with this outstanding student group; in April, both advisors will travel with students to Columbus, Ohio for the National Conference.

HCC's annual **Spring Open House** will take place on Saturday, April 1st from 10am-12noon in the Student Center. This event brings credit and non-credit faculty, administrators and student services offices together to provide prospective students a glimpse into various opportunities at HCC. Presentations, on campus tours, and walk-in new student advising & summer and fall registration will be available.

Plans are underway for the Saturday, **May 20th Commencement** and students are ordering their caps, gowns, and stoles. The planning committee decide to use the same set up as last year (more floor seating with bleacher seating available in the rear). Exact times/locations of ceremonies are as follows:

- 9:30am: Graduation for all graduates in the ARCC
- 1:00pm: Nurses' Pinning Ceremony in Kepler
- 1:00pm: Health Science Pinning Ceremony in the ARCC

Admissions / Retention & Registration - Both offices are working closely with WCPS guidance counselors to prepare for the registration of over 2000 Early College Program students for the 2023-2024 academic year. HCC staff met with WCPS counselors on March 9th to layout plans for meeting with students in the high schools in April for academic advising and course registration. The Admissions team will continue to work with Early College Program students who only taking college classes in the high schools (referred to as ECP at WCPS, expected to number between 1800-2000) while Retention Specialists will meet with Early College Program students who are only taking college

classes at HCC (referred to as ECP at HCC, expected to number about 450). WCPS has requested most registrations be completed in April due to testing the occurs in the schools in May.

Career Development, Internship and Job Services

In collaboration with Workforce Services & Continuing Education, submitted a grant proposal for funding as a sub-grantee to Washington County Department of Business Development's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant in the amount of \$175,000. HCC's proposal has been accepted and will be used to fund two major tradeshow style career expo events (\$100,000); to provide workforce training scholarships to individuals needing to acquire or upgrade skills as part of their employment with Washington County based organizations (\$45,000); and, to provide entrepreneurial training, business development resources, and mentorship development opportunities to inspire innovation and collaboration to help business leaders build momentum and gain resources for their entrepreneurial endeavors (\$25,000). The funds are to be fully spent by August 1, 2024. The Career Expos will be held November 15, 2023 and April 17, 2024 at the HCC Athletic Recreation and Community Center (AARC). The goal will be to host at least 75 – 100 local employers at each event. The target audience for each event will be recent/soon-to-be college and high school graduates seeking entry-level jobs and the general public that will include experienced workers seeking to change careers or seeking to re-enter the workforce. An estimate of at least 200 job-seekers and 100 HCC and WCPS students and recent/soon-to-be graduates are anticipated to attend each event. Planning meetings regarding Career Development in the First Year Experience (FYE) program have been begun and will continue on a regular basis throughout the summer; this is part of HCC's Title III grant.

The following Career Readiness events are planned for the Spring semester:

- Resume and Cover Letter Workshop
Wednesday, March 22 | 3 – 4:30 p.m. | Learning Resource Center, Room 259
- How to Make the Most of a Job Fair Workshop
Monday, April 3 | 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. | Learning Resource Center, Room 259
- Job and Internship Fair
Wednesday, April 5 | 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. | Student Center, Main Dining Area

There are currently 40 employers registered to participate in the Spring Job and Internship Fair being held on Wednesday, April 5th.

- HCC Career Closet Pop-Up Shop
Monday, April 17 to Thursday, April 20 | 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. | Student Center

Athletics

Indoor Track & Field – Indoor Track & Field competed at Nationals in Topeka, KS on March 3 & 4, 2023. Sophomore Josey Reineman cleared 1.66 (5' 5 1/4") in the high jump on her third attempt! This is a PR (personal record) for her and placed her tied for sixth.

With this jump, Josey earned All-American honors. Tommy Bildheiser had a great race in the 800 with a time of 1:55:87 to finish 11th place overall. He missed winning his heat by .09 and missed being a time qualifier by .21. Coach Spinnler referred to his performance as “nothing short of big-time.” He tried to come back in the 1,000m, less than two hours later, but the tank was empty.

Women’s Basketball – First year head coach Chris Grant and assistant LaSha’ Anderson were hired just before the season and did a great job with the women’s roster. You could see the development in our players and the impact of their coaching; however we struggled putting the ball in the basket. As a result, we missed the region tournament finishing with a 5-14 record. We are excited to see how a full year of recruiting will impact our roster for next year. Saidat Abbas (Duval HS) led the team with 10ppg, while Chloe Bittner (Williamsport HS) averaged 7.5 rebounds and almost 9 points per game.

Men’s Basketball – The men’s team beat Harford in the Region 20 semi-finals with a solid, cohesive performance, but could not repeat and lost in the finals to Allegany. Alex Ofori (North Hagerstown HS) and Kristoff Hayden (Little Rock, AR) made the All-Tournament team.

The top two teams in Region 20 qualified for the district tournament in New York, and finish their season with a loss to Monroe College on Friday.

Baseball – Baseball began with two losses to Shenandoah University and lost both in a doubleheader to Cecil. The team picked up their first win of the year on their Spring trip to Vero Beach, Florida and will play 12 games on the trip. Newcomer Chase Fisher (Heathsville, VA) hit a triple in the first “at-bat” of the season, followed by a home run from returner Josh Clapsaddle (Waynesboro Area HS). Returning outfielder, Chanse Phillips (South Hagerstown HS), has two home runs on the season so far. The Hawks return to campus on Saturday, March 25 for a double header with Southern Maryland.

Softball – First year head coach Alicen Galanis, has jumped right into her leadership role, and has the team primed to start the season. Their first three matchups have been postponed by the weather or opponent with roster issues. They are scheduled to open at home on March 15, 2023 against the College of Southern Maryland. Returning pitcher Adrianna Beeler (Greencastle-Antrim HS) will take the mound for the Hawks, sophomore Morgan Kolich (Smithsburg HS) will make the move to short stop and Sydra Royer (Greencastle-Antrim HS) will return in the outfield. Freshman, Molly Morris (South Hagerstown HS) will create a solid foundation in the infield.

Alumni Mixer – The Booster Club is planning a Volleyball Mixer in May. Former head coach and alum, Rebecca Morgan, has been very active using her connections with the volleyball alumni in building interest for this event. This will be a good opportunity for current Head Coach Sierra Hill and the players to connect with the people that have created the legacy of HCC Volleyball.

Credit Curriculum Development and Teaching and Learning Matters

Nursing faculty member Dawn Drooger, and Nursing lab staff members, Mariel Beachley and Robin Hovermale have been invited by Laerdal to be key note speakers, along with Nursing personnel from Yale University, at their conference at Southern Connecticut State University in New Haven on May 23, 2023.

The new Ultrasound academic program proposal was approved by MHEC last week without any colleges objecting. We need to hire the faculty, build the curriculum, buy equipment, and obtain accreditation before enrolling any students.

Geography Professor Suzannah Moran was accepted into the 2023 Chesapeake Bay Climate Institute in Wachapreague, Virginia. She will be there from August 9 -12.

PTK Honors student, Alyssa Neff, was selected as a 2023 Coca-Cola Academic Team Bronze Scholar and will receive a \$1,000 scholarship.

Six paramedic students completed their training in Howard County and have applied to HCC's AAS Paramedic degree program to complete their education. Eight students will complete their training in 2024 and apply to our degree program next year.

Workforce Solutions and Continuing Education

WSCE has awarded \$180,070.00 from the GEER 2 grant to provide scholarships for 174 students to date.

WSCE has awarded 48 students a total of \$35,900 from the MHEC's Workforce Development Sequence Scholarship.

HCC's Foundation has awarded the first noncredit scholarship to a student's Real Estate and Diesel Tech. the maximum award is \$1300 per student.

- ***WSCE Allied Health***
 - Foundations of Healthcare Careers begins 3/14 with 28 students registered.
 - ELL Certified Nursing Assistant program had 7 students proceed to CNA Clinical
 - ELL CNA/GNA students will be offered an opportunity to complete an Acute Care internship at Meritus and be paid through Western Maryland Consortium beginning in April.
 - WSCE partnered with Adult Literacy Services to provide an Integrated Education Training program for ELL students in CNA/GNA and Phlebotomy – Orientation is February 13, 2023 for bridge courses beginning in April. The CNA/GNA program and the Phlebotomy program will begin in September 2023.

- WSCE is working with the Asian American Training Center to offer additional certifications for Community Healthcare Workers (CHW) such as Working with Alzheimer Patients training. Curriculum Development in progress.
- Program manager is working with Medical Assisting instructor to restructure the Medical Assisting program to include the program prerequisites for fall.
- WSCE is working with WCPS to offer CNA/GNA training to High School students under the Maryland Blueprint. Plan for lab space development is in progress. Instructor search in progress.
- Certified Medicine Aide initial certification will be offered as an open enrollment course at the request of CNA/GNA advisory Committee beginning March 24
- Certified Peer Recovery Specialist is being resubmitted as an online course.
- Working with Kinesthetic Solutions owner and licensed Massage Therapist, to potentially develop a Massage Therapy program
- Paramedic Self-study report due April 1.

- **College for Kids**
 - The Discover Theater section of our Discovery Academy will be launched this summer during the first two weeks of the summer youth program. Students will have the opportunity to learn the art of filmmaking and playwriting from Don Thompson, an award-winning filmmaker, playwright and mentor to UCLA students.
 - Registration for the College for Kids program and Discovery Academy camps are going well and a few of the camps have started taking waitlists for students.

- **Personal Enrichment**
 - Spring Personal Enrichment classes are doing well with registration and community members are being receptive to new art classes. We are looking at cross listing with credit art classes for the fall.

- **Business**
 - McDonalds Leadership training ended 3/8/2023- graduation taking place Wednesday 3/15. Discussions are in place for more training to start as early as next month.
 - Newly created Social Media class had 8 students in it's first class
 - Management Bootcamp added in Spring schedule due to contract trainings with Wiles Cleaning and the City of Brunswick. Classes start 3/21; generating approximately \$8,000 in revenue

- **Certification and Licensure:**
 - Solidified in person Dispensary/Cannabis training program will be starting in August of 2023.

- Partnership established with Saunders Accounting to provide Certified Tax Preparer program starting Fall 2023
- Personal Trainer class starting 3/21 has 9 registrants

- ***Transportation/Trades/Tech***
 - The first artisan class for blacksmithing is scheduled for next month and fully enrolled in less than one week; second section to be opened to meet the community demand to learn metal work.