

## Board Briefing Summary

### *Student Recruitment and Enrollments / Student Activities and Services*

#### **Dean of Students**

The annual Washington County STEAM Festival was held Saturday, October 14th from 10:00am – 2:00pm at the ARCC due to a rainy forecast. The weather and indoor location worked in our favor, resulting in our highest attendance to date -- over 800 participants. Approximately 450 kids were counted at the Registration table and 250 adult guests; we estimate at least 300 families were served. Volunteers included 50 HCC Foundation Scholarship students, about 20 HCC students participating through their classes or student clubs, and about 25 faculty/staff members. Due to larger numbers than anticipated, registration bags, pumpkins, and food ran out by 1:00pm; many activity tables also ran out of supplies early. Antietam Dairy served until the very end, 766 kid cups in total. This year's STEAM Festival community partnership financial sponsors included BEACON House (\$300 bags, Healthy Snacks), JLG (new this year, \$1000), WCPS (advertisements to elementary school parents) and HCC's Alumni Association (\$2500). A November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting will finalize the date and venue for the 2024 STEAM Festival. The Dean of Students Office along with Beth Kirkpatrick and her Public Information & Marketing team coordinate overall event logistics while Division Directors Laurie Montgomery, Nancy Arnone and Dana Poole tend to activity details.

#### **Student Activities**

Campus has 25 active clubs this semester, including new clubs: African Dance Club, HCC Debate Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Young Americans for Liberty. Additionally, our new three Esports Teams are competing successfully in the National Esports Collegiate Conference, which includes over 300 colleges nationwide. Student Activities has partnered with Maryland Food Bank to offer 28 students and their families a free full Thanksgiving meal, including the turkey. HCC employees are donating the cost of the meal box (\$15) and "sponsoring" the meal for the student. Targeted students are those who have used the Food Pantry this semester and students in HCC's CCAMPIS child-care subsidy grant program.

#### **Registration & Retention**

This office continues to be busy meeting student needs and demand for appointments. Since the start of fall classes on August 28<sup>th</sup>, they've seen 1,104 students and received over 85 Retention Alert case. Top 3 visit reasons for students include:

- Current student registration
- New student registration
- Add/drop classes

**Career Development, Internship and Job Services**

Five career workshops were offered this Fall semester: Internship Know How, Identifying Strengths, Creating a Winning Resume and Cover Letter, Interviewing Tips, and How to Prepare for a Job Fair/Career Expo. One additional career workshop, Personal Branding, will be held later this month.

The Fall Career Closet Pop-Up Shop is being held November 7, 8, and 9th in the Student Center, Upper Dining area. Students will be able to select up to five free items of gently used professional clothing or accessories to help them dress for success for a job interview. Students from the Marshall Street School continue to play a vital role in setting up and running this event.

The Washington County Career Expo is being held on Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm in the HCC Athletic Recreation Community Center (ARCC). There are 150 organizations registered to participate in the event and jobseeker registration is underway. Currently, there are 100 jobseekers registered to attend, with the goal of at least 300 attendees or more. This event is FREE and open to everyone. Information and the link to register are available at [www.hagerstowncc.edu/careerexpo](http://www.hagerstowncc.edu/careerexpo).

- Attendees will be able to:
  - Discover job opportunities and pathways to employment in Washington County.
  - Explore community employment resources and support services.
  - Meet many of Washington County's leading companies and organizations.
  - Participate in career-readiness workshops and networking.

**Academic Advising & Transfer Services**

Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> was our Fall 2023 **TRANSFER DAY FAIR**, here at HCC. Students were invited to speak with admissions representatives from many local and regional colleges and universities. Colleges in attendance included the following:

Bowie State	PennWest University
Capitol Tech University	Salisbury University
College of Notre Dame of MD	Salisbury University (USMH – Social Work and Public Health)
Coppin State	Shenandoah University
Frostburg State	Shepherd University
Frostburg State (USMH – Business)	Shippensburg University
Frostburg State (USMH – Education)	Stevenson University
Frostburg State (USMH – Psychology)	Towson University
Frostburg State (USMH – Nursing)	University of Baltimore

George Mason University	UMBC
Goucher College	University of Maryland – College Park
Grand Canyon University	University of Maryland - College Park (School of Engineering)
Hood College	University of Maryland – Eastern Shore
McDaniel College	University of Maryland - Global Campus
Morgan State University	University System of Maryland – Main Office
Mount Aloysius	University System of Maryland - Hagerstown (General Information)
Mount St. Mary's	Washington College
Neumann University	West Virginia University
Penn State – Mont Alto	Wilson College

## Athletics

**Cross Country Men** – The men's team competed well at the Region 20 championships, hosted by Westmoreland Community College on Saturday, October 28, 2023. From this season, sophomore, Tommy Bildheiser (Cedar Crest HS), freshman Noah Schappell (Washington HS, WV), and freshman, Jackson Munday (Berkeley Springs HS), have consistently been the top three and will travel to Huntsville, AL to compete at the national championships on November 11, 2023.

**Cross Country Women** – The women's team completed their season on October 28, 2023 at Westmoreland CC at the Region 20/MDJUCO championships. Morgan Jarrell (Brunswick HS) placed fourth overall and was the top MDJUCO finisher with a 5k time of 22:25.5.

**Volleyball** – The Hawks season ended at the Region 20 Volleyball Championship Tournament held at Hagerstown CC. Each of the top 5 seeded teams had defeated at least one other of the top 5 seeds in the tournament. HCC was seeded 5<sup>th</sup> and began with a strong showing by defeating Potomac State 3-1 in the first round. In the semi-finals, the Hawks went four sets before finally bowing out with a 3-1 loss to the #1 seed Harford CC. The team showed its ability to compete at the top of the region, after a shortened season just a year ago. Coach Sierra Hill, in her 2<sup>nd</sup> season, will return a good core of players for next year. Hitter Kayla Turner (North Hagerstown HS) and libero Everly Harsh (Boonsboro HS) were named to the All-Tournament team. Kayla Turner and Kylie Snyder (Smithsburg HS) were named to the 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Region.

**Women's Soccer** – After a three-way tie at the top of the Region 20 standings, HCC was the 2<sup>nd</sup> seed in the tournament. Unfortunately, Women's Soccer fell to the Montgomery College 2-0 in the semi-finals of the tournament. Forward Kadenn Martin (James Buchanan HS) and defender Kirstin Eichelberger (James Buchanan HS) were named to the All-Tournament team. The head coach Clifton Williams, in his 7<sup>th</sup> season led the team to an 11-5 record; the best record the program has seen since it began again in 2017.

**Men's Soccer** – The men's team finished their season with a loss to NOVA. Nate Fazal scored two times in the last three games to lead the team in scoring in the second half of the season. Despite a winless season, the men played competitively from start to finish. This certainly will serve as a foundation as the program moves forward to next year. Finn Arvay (BJM III Technical HS) had a very good sophomore season at defender and took pride in leading this team with professionalism and effort in each match.

**Women's Basketball** – Without the necessary numbers for our roster, HCC will not be fielding a women's basketball team this 23-24 season.

**Men's Basketball** – Men's Basketball started with an impressive showing in its season opener with a 93-62 win over Potomac State. Returners Trent Walker (Bishop Snyder HS, FL) and Eric Bass (New Town HS, MD) anchor the talented newcomers Hassan Perkins (Sanford School, DE) and Tristan Cook (St. Maria Goretti HS). Deondre Mitchell (Penn Hills HS, PA) led all scorers with 31 points. Trent Walker and Mason Sword (St. Joseph Academy, FL) led the team with 6 and 7 rebounds, respectively. The Hawks will host Potomac State on Wednesday, November 8, 2023 at 6:30pm.

### ***Credit Curriculum Development and Teaching and Learning Matters***

#### **STEAM Festival October 14**

800 in attendance

Directors Laurie Montgomery, Nancy Arnone, Dana Poole, Kathleen Di'Ambrisi with several faculty and members of Student Services and community groups.

#### **PTK Training Conference October 14**

10 (5 advisors and 5 students) attended leadership training

### **Congratulations to HCC faculty members who completed the Teaching in the Community College teaching workshop during 2023!**

Janéa Milburn, SP23, adjunct instructor of adult basic education and college success

Sonjurae Cross, SU23, assistant professor of developmental English

LuAnn Fisher, SU23, adjunct instructor of anthropology

Liz Hadley, SU23, assistant professor of English language learners

Alexis Heywood, SU23, adjunct instructor of college success

Jim Niessner, SU23, assistant professor of developmental composition

Charles Scheetz, SU23, adjunct instructor of personal finance and college success

Kristen Hoffman, SU23, adjunct instructor of college success

Trisha Horowitz, SU23, adjunct instructor of college success

Natalia Kennedy, SU23, adjunct instructor of college success

Doug Leisher, FA23, assistant professor of information systems technology

Teaching in the Community College is a four-week non-credit faculty development course designed for new and continuing instructors who want to build their skills in effective course design and teaching practice for traditional, online or hybrid formats.

### **Student Performance**

And Then They Came For Me, the Ann Frank story, runs November 17-19 in the HCC Kepler Black Box Theatre.

Enjoy musical ensembles and see student showcasing their Artwork on December 7th from 4-8 pm in the Kepler Lobby.

On December 8th starting at 7pm, students showcase their dance.

### **Veterans Dental Clinic**

The HCC Dental Clinic offered free dental cleaning and services to the first 100 veterans to sign up on November 6 and 8.

### ***Workforce Solutions and Continuing Education***

- WSCE has awarded Workforce Development Sequence Scholarships to 42 students totaling \$21,492 this fiscal year. In addition, WSCE received the second allocation of this fund, an additional \$20,000. This allocation is based on the FTES in Workforce Development courses from FY 23, which increased significantly.
- WSCE continues to award scholarships from the Rural Maryland Grant. In FY 23, 12 underserved students in Allied Health and Transportation programs received funding totaling \$13,202 year-to-date
- With ARPA funds supplied by Washington County, WSCE has awarded 23 scholarships totaling \$20,987. In addition, these funds will be used to support the Career Expo scheduled for November 15, with over 150 vendors in attendance.
  
- ***WSCE Allied Health***
  - Nurse Refresher renewal due June 2024. Working with the lead instructor to complete the renewal process. Currently, a review of the program material is underway.
  - The Medical Assisting program began and currently has 6 students enrolled. They will attend clinical rotation in February 2024.
  - CNA/GNA program renewal was approved. The renewal included two new satellite training labs located at Boonsboro and Smithsburg High Schools. WCPS students will transition back to their home schools on November 20, 2023.

- Delegating Nurse is no longer being discontinued. We have 8 students registered for the November offering. We will offer this program once per year in the Fall term.
- Hosted a Massage Therapy Advisory Meeting on November 6, 2024. We used this opportunity to gauge community needs and consult with subject matter experts. Our goal is to have the program running by Spring 2025.
- ***Summer Youth Programs Formally College for Kids***
  - The Summer Youth Program dates and classes are close to being finalized. This summer will feature seven weeks of educational fun focusing on STEAM-related content.
  - An expansion of the Discovery Academy will provide opportunities in Cybersecurity and Entrepreneurship this summer.
  - A steering committee has been developed with outside community partners such as DORS, WCPS, and HCC staff to provide opportunities for special needs students this summer. This one-week summer camp will feature a career and college prep class and art classes that will support peer interaction.
- ***Personal Enrichment***
  - We have cross-listed five classes with the Humanities department featuring choral and instrumental music.
  - Beekeeping will expand to allow students to create a small business with their learning from Beginning Beekeeping.
  - National and International award-winning author Lisa Proulx will teach students to navigate the world of book publishing.
- ***Business***
  - Working on Nonprofit Management seat-sharing agreement with Carroll CC and Garrett CC
  - Management Bootcamp started 10/17 with 23 people (19 from Wash Co Govnt); 7 students enrolled in individual courses
  - Dept of Public Safety and Correctional Services hosted the Western Maryland School Safety Summit in Kepler on 11.3 with approximately 200 school safety officers.
  - WCPS hosted teacher and paraprofessional training on 11.3 for approximately 180 employees
  - Washington County Dept of Health will be on campus on 11.16 and 11.17 for their annual strategic planning and health equity workshops
  - Cornerstone Women Leaders will host an Ethics in Leadership class on campus on 11/18.
  - Working with Cornerstone Women Leaders (non-profit) to develop a women's only leadership series to begin in January.

- Sent proposal to Western Maryland Consortium and DORS to provide an 8-week Workplace Readiness series.
- ***Certification and Licensure:***
  - Comprehensive Tax Prep started on 10/10 with 55 individuals
  - Continuing to work with Saunders Tax and Accounting to offer an Accounting Bootcamp and Profit First series in the spring.
  - All 8 spots are already filled for Pet Grooming starting Jan 11, 2024.
- ***Transportation/Trades/Tech***
  - New electric forklift scheduled for delivery under the George Edwards Fund; working with Hyundai on possible curriculum for a Forklift Service Technician program to be located at the future Northern Avenue site.
  - Conducted joint Sector Industry Partner meetings on area transportation companies' needs in conjunction with the CVT program.

### ***College Advancement***

#### **Alumni Association**

- The HCC Alumni Association Board of Directors welcomed four new members at their first meeting of the fiscal year on October 30, 2023. They are: Jim Hassinger, Megan Dayhoff, Brandi Naugle, and Diane Braun. Former Board members Dan Herr and Tammy Downin returned to fill vacancies that just opened on the Board. Godwill Mbachii will return to the Board and take up the role of the second Membership Vice President. We now have a full slate of board members and officers.
- Planning for the 2024 Red, White, and Blue Concerts and Funky Fridays Concerts has begun.
- The 30<sup>th</sup> Annual HCC Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament raised \$21,789.43 the largest net proceeds from an HCC golf event to date.
- The Board unanimously approved placing the following funds into the Alumni Scholarship fund:
  - Income from the Snake River cruise (May 2023 – 27 attendees) - \$9,183.00
  - 2022-2023 Bank interest from HCC Alumni Accounts - \$17,714.00
- The Alumni Scholarship Fund balance, in the HCC Foundation, Inc. now stands at \$513,158.71.
- The Alumni and Friends are sponsoring a pre-holiday bus trip to New York City on Saturday, November 11 to enjoy a day on your own in the city.

- The Alumni Board approved the inclusion of the Boosters as a subset of the Alumni Association, beginning July 1, 2024.
- The Alumni Association Board will provide the bells for the proposed Wellness Center. A study will be made to determine prices and options for this purchase.
- The Board unanimously approved the following requests for funds:
  - \$500 donation for the Robinwood Players to attend the Kennedy Center American College Theater Regional Festival.
  - \$2,500 to purchase an Alumni Association 2024 Tribute ad.

**Volunteers**

Please plan now to join us on December 7, 2023, for the "HCC There's No Place Like Home for the Holidays Luncheon and Celebration!" for our college volunteers, retirees, and friends, at 1:00 p.m., in HCC's Career Programs Building Rooms 211/213. Trustees are invited to share in the fun. We hope to see you there! Don't forget to RSVP.