

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Jon H. Larson, Ph.D.

TO: Members, OCC Board of Trustees

FROM: Jon H. Larson, Ph.D.
President

SUBJECT: Items of Interest for the November 8, 2010, Board Meeting

DATE: November 3, 2010

Ocean County College Nursing Program

The National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) program reports, which provide detailed information about the performance of program graduates, recently became available. I am extremely pleased to share with you that all 72 graduates from Ocean County College's Nursing Program who sat for the examination between October 2009 and March 2010 successfully passed the test. Seventy-one of the graduates applied for licensure in New Jersey and one in Virginia.

This 100 percent pass rate is even more outstanding when it is compared with other Nursing programs in the state and across the nation:

Rank of OCC's Nursing Program Based on Percentage of Graduates Passing

All Programs in OCC's Jurisdiction (refers to all RN graduates within the state)	1 of 19
All Similar Programs across Every Jurisdiction (refers to RN graduates from the same type of program)	1 of 584
All Programs across Every Jurisdiction (refers to all RN graduates within the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. Territories)	1 of 972

This is the second consecutive year that the OCC Nursing Program has been ranked number one in both the state and the nation. The success rate of our graduates demonstrates the academic excellence of our Nursing Program and the quality education received by our students. Hearty congratulations are extended to Ms. Coleen Manzetti, Assistant Dean of Nursing, the Nursing faculty and clinical instructors, and all others who support the program.

Campus Safety and Security

The Campus Safety and Security Committee of the New Jersey Presidents' Council is charged with addressing the safety and security concerns of higher education institutions in New Jersey as they relate to crime prevention, response and recovery, emergency management, public health, and facilities. The Committee also has the responsibility of revising and updating, as necessary, the *Homeland Security Best Practices Guidelines for the Higher Education Sector* as well as encouraging the implementation of those guidelines by all colleges and universities.

New Jersey colleges and universities have made great progress in ensuring their campuses are safer through the Best Practices Guidelines. One of the initiatives in support of the guidelines is the process of peer assessment, which began in June of this year, wherein peer reviewers visit campuses to evaluate security and safety. Two peer reviewers were on our campus, one from Georgian Court University and one from Burlington County College, on Thursday, October 26th, for four hours; their report has been shared with Mr. Bob Kumpf, Director of Security, and me, and it is quite favorable.

Mr. Kumpf has received the mandated training, as designated by the Presidents' Council, from the New Jersey College and University Public Safety Association to become a peer reviewer. In fact, Mr. Kumpf is certified as a lead peer reviewer and has conducted several New Jersey campus evaluations.

Mr. Kumpf will be with us at Monday's meeting to provide additional information on the outcome of the College's review as well as future plans to continue to improve safety and security on campus. He will also share with you the College's *Campus Safety and Security Report*, an annual publication required by the Clery Act, a Federal statute that requires all colleges and universities to keep and disclose information about crime on and near their campuses.

Ocean County College Athletics Program

The Ocean County College Athletics Program continues to bring great recognition to the College:

- ◆ The Women's Soccer team won the final game of the National Junior College Athletic Association Region XIX Tournament on October 30th by a score of 2-1 over Brookdale Community College. The team is currently playing in the National

Championship, from November 4th to 7th, at Prince George's Community College in Largo, Maryland.

- ◆ **Men's and Women's Cross Country teams will be competing in the National Meet hosted by Suffolk County Community College on Saturday and Sunday, November 13th and 14th, at Sunken Meadow Park in Kings Park, New York. The Woman's Team won the NJCAA Region XIX Tournament and the Men's Team finished in third place in the Region.**
- ◆ **The Men's Soccer team played a great game in the Region XIX finals but, unfortunately, was defeated by a score of 1-0 against Brookdale Community College.**

As we receive information regarding the success of the teams, we will share it with you.

Grants/SunGard Higher Education

SunGard Higher Education is assisting Ocean County College to increase its grants function capacity and its revenue through grants funding. Services began on July 1, 2009, and will continue through December 31, 2010.

SunGard has been providing the following services to the College:

- ◆ **Organizational Development and Funding Roadmap, wherein the SunGard Grants Services team assesses the College's capacity for pursuing and managing grant awards.**
- ◆ **Applications and Proposals, with the research of best practices, facilitation and leadership in project planning activities, and the development of complete application packages for submission.**
- ◆ **Compliance Management and Evaluation, including improving compliance protocols for existing and new awards and providing ongoing monitoring to facilitate the submission of reports and data required by the funder.**
- ◆ **Professional Development for staff on grant-related topics identified through the assessment process.**

With the assistance of SunGard, the College has received several exciting, significant new grant awards:

- ◆ **Student Support Services Grant - \$1,100,000 over five years from the U.S. Department of Education to improve the retention and success of low income, first generation students.**

- ◆ **Health Information Technology Grant - \$430,470** from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to provide training programs for electronic medical records.
- ◆ **Disengaged Adults Returning to College - \$75,000** from the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education to provide services to returning OCC students who left without earning a degree.

Ms. Gina Suriano-Guarino, Director of Resource Development, will provide additional information to you at Monday's meeting on all of the existing College programs that are being made possible through grant funding. Given the financial challenges anticipated in the future, the receipt of grant funds to support the College's mission is very important.

Ocean County College Recognition

- ◆ **Two representatives from the U.S. Office of Personnel Management's Federal Investigative Services Division will attend Monday's Board meeting to commend our Student Services area. Special Agent Charles J. Rozzi and Supervisory Special Agent Francis B. Reynolds, both from the New Jersey Field Office, will present a certificate of appreciation to Vice President Don Doran and his registration team to recognize the excellent customer service and assistance provided to the agents.**

The U.S. Office of Personnel Management's Federal Investigative Services Division conducts background investigations on Federal employees, applicants for Federal employment, and government contractors to determine their suitability for Federal employment. It serves more than 100 Federal agencies, including the Department of Homeland Security and Department of Defense.

Special Agents Rozzi and Reynolds have contacted the College on many occasions to verify the level of education of candidates for Federal employment. They request information on the candidate's attendance, full- or part-time status, course work, degrees earned, major of study, and disciplinary actions, if any.

This recognition of the Student Services area by the Federal agency is certainly a wonderful honor for Ocean County College and an impressive tribute for the fine work of the employees.

- ◆ **The National Council for Marketing and Public Relations (NCMPR) recently held its District I Conference Award ceremony in Providence, Rhode Island, from October 24th to 26th. Ocean County College was recognized with a bronze award for its Annual Report.**

District I includes colleges and universities in Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, the Canadian provinces of New

Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Quebec, and United Kingdom.

Congratulations are extended to Ms. Tara Kelly, Director of College Advancement, Ms. Jan Kirsten, Director of College Relations, and their team for the outstanding quality of their publications.

Ocean Views

The Autumn 2010 edition of *Ocean Views*, the newsletter for Ocean County College alumni and employees, was recently published. I will provide a copy to you on Monday. I do hope you will take the time to read *Ocean Views*; it is an outstanding, professional, first-rate publication that contains interesting, informative, relevant information. I might call your attention to the Alumni Spotlight on our own Steven Spino.

Commendations go to the College Advancement team: Ms. Tara Kelly, Vice President of College Advancement; Ms. Gina Suriano Guarino, Director of Resource Development; Ms. Jan Kirsten, Director of College Relations; and their creative, hard working staff.

Global Education

Once again, the Ocean County College Global Education Committee is sponsoring several activities on campus to heighten the understanding of students and community members of the interconnectedness of diverse cultures and nations. The committee's main focus is to foster a college climate of global citizenry. The ultimate goal is to educate students about the world in which they live.

Attached you will find the events scheduled for Global Education Week, from November 15th through 19th.

Veterans Day Ceremony

The Ocean County College Veterans Day Ceremony will take place on Thursday, November 11th, at 12:00 noon at the Ocean County College Veterans Memorial on the campus mall. Our guest speaker will be Colonel Joseph M. Poth, Deputy Joint Base Commander McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst.

Colonel Poth has held numerous Military Police assignments throughout his career. He has served as a Platoon Leader and held two Company Commands in Military Police Combat Support units. He served in the 324th Military Police Battalion in Baqubah, Iraq, and then commanded the 400th Military Police Battalion in Baghdad. Colonel Poth earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in History from Duquesne University and a Master's degree in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

A reception will be held in the Library Tower Room immediately following the ceremony. I hope you will be able to join us for this very important event.

Board of Trustees Retreats

The following dates for the 2011 Board of Trustees Retreats will be recommended for approval at Monday's reorganization meeting:

- ◆ Friday, March 11, 2011
- ◆ Friday, June 10, 2011
- ◆ Friday, September 9, 2011
- ◆ Friday, December 9, 2011

All Retreats will begin at 12:00 noon and will be held in the Technology Building Conference Room.

The last Retreat of this year is scheduled for Friday, December 10th, at 12:00 noon in the Technology Building Conference Room. The regular public Board meeting is on Monday, December 6th.

New Jersey Council of County Colleges

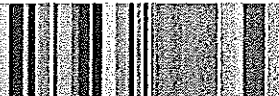
The New Jersey Council of County Colleges is hosting its annual Trustee Retreat on Monday, December 6th, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Enterprise Center at Burlington County College in Mt. Laurel. The trustee education seminar will focus on the trustee's role in the statewide "Big Ideas" project.

NEW GRANT AWARDS (Since April 2010)					
Program Name	Funder	Project Director	Start	End	Amount
Student Support Services	US Department of Education	Maureen Reustle	9-1-10	8-31-11	\$1,100,000
<i>Purpose: Improve retention and success of 140 low-income/first generation students through intensive support services. SSS funded at \$220,000 per year for five years. Requested number of applications submitted; number of awards; number of new projects versus continuing; number of community colleges awarded.</i>					
Health Information Technology	US Department of Health & Human Services	Debbie Robinson	4-2-10	4-1-11	430,470
<i>Purpose: To provide certificate training programs in Health Information Technology; includes tuition reimbursement for completers</i>					
Disengaged Adults Returning to College	NJ Commission on Higher Education	Kate Pandolpho	7-1-10	6-30-11	75,000
<i>Purpose: Provide support services to returning OCC students who left OCC without earning a degree or certificate</i>					
Title III Eligibility	US Department of Education	Norma Betz	2010-2011		70,000
<i>Federal cost share waiver for Financial Aid Award Year 2010-2011; not a grant award; estimated annual cost savings</i>					
Total New Awards and Cost Savings					\$1,675,470

EXISTING GRANT AWARDS (Including renewals and continuations)					
Program Name	Funder	Project Director	Start	End	Amount
OCC Dual Enrollment Project	NJ Commission on Higher Education	Eileen Schilling	7-1-10	6-30-11	\$20,000
<i>Purpose: To increase admission and retention of low-income and first-generation high school students in OCC courses.</i>					
OCC Displaced Homemaker Project	NJ Department of Community Affairs	Susan Ebeling-Witte	7-1-10	6-30-11	69,913
<i>Purpose: To provide services to foster the development of career and job skills of displaced homemakers that lead to self-sufficiency.</i>					
OCC Community Chorus	Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Commission	Carolyn Moore	1-1-10	12-31-10	3,000
<i>Purpose: To offer a concert series that combines students and senior citizens with professional musicians from the tri-state area.</i>					
OCC Theatre Company	Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Commission	Art Waldman	1-1-10	12-31-10	2,450
<i>Purpose: To offer quality theatre performances to students and the community while enhancing learning and artistic appreciation</i>					
OCC GED Center	NJ Dept of Labor & Workforce Dev/ Ocean County PIC	Carol Cappetta	7-1-10	6-30-11	86,518
<i>Purpose: To provide residents with a local GED testing center in order for them to pursue their educational and career goals</i>					
Carl D. Perkins Grant	NJ Department of Education	Mary Burke	7-1-10	6-30-11	\$369,719
<i>Purpose: To develop more fully the academic, career and technical skills of OCC students through instruction, equipment and supplies, professional development, student travel and tutoring.</i>					
Total Existing and Renewals					\$551,600

BARNEGAT BAY PARTNERSHIP GRANT AWARDS					
Program Name	Funder	Project Director	Start	End	Amount
Barnegat Bay Partnership	US Dept of Environmental Protection	Stanton Hales	7-1-10	6-30-13	\$800,000
<i>Purpose: Implementation of the BBP's Comprehensive Conservation Management Plan and its 2008-2011 Strategic Plan, both of which were undertaken to prioritize actions to protect and restore the Barnegat Bay ecosystem.</i>					
Barnegat Bay Partnership (Multiple)	US Dept of Environmental Protection	Stanton Hales	10-1-08	9-30-11	1,674,750
<i>Purpose: (multiple grants) To support implementation activities including personnel, public outreach education, municipal storm water management, mini-grant initiatives and marketing</i>					
Golf Course Best Management Practices	NJ Dept of Environmental Protection	Stanton Hales	4-12-07	4-12-09 (ext 2011)	290,490
<i>Purpose: To create and implement a landscape plan and planting schedule for vegetative buffers to deter the geese population</i>					
Wetland Enhancement (OCVTS)	NJ Dept of Environmental Protection	Stanton Hales	4-12-07	4-12-09 (ext 2011)	144,843
<i>Purpose: To create and implement a landscape plan and planting schedule for the re-establishment of a riparian buffer</i>					
Pollution Control and Management	NJ Dept of Environmental Protection	Stanton Hales	6-17-10	6-16-13	150,000
<i>Purpose: To implement programs and projects designed to reduce nonpoint source pollution</i>					
Total Barnegat Bay Partnership					\$3,060,083

Total Grant Awards and Cost Savings	\$4,407,153
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OCEAN COUNTY COLLEGE PENDING GRANT APPLICATIONS		
Grant Title	Funder	Budget Request
ARRA Combined Heat & Power	NJ Economic Development Administration	475,200
<i>Purpose:</i> OCC will install a new CHP plant, which will result in the expansion of the distribution system as needed to supply campus buildings with hot and chilled water.		
Community Chorus of Ocean County College	Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Commission	6,000
<i>Purpose:</i> To provide support for the performances of the Community Chorus of Ocean County College		
Ocean County College Theatre Company	Ocean County Cultural & Heritage Commission	9,000
<i>Purpose:</i> To provide support for the performances of the Ocean County College Theatre Company		
Total Pending Grant Applications		\$490,200

OCEAN COUNTY COLLEGE SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS NOT FUNDED					
Grant Title	Funder	Budget Requested	Number Applications	Number Awards	Number CC Funded
Temporary Contemporary Environmental Art Project	Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation	154,330	N/A	N/A	N/A
<i>Purpose:</i> To fund the establishment of a contemporary art exhibit/gallery in downtown Toms River; will serve as a tool to increase awareness of environmental art and as an outreach for OCC					
<i>Dodge Foundation reducing grant making activities due to financial downturn</i>					
FIPSE Centers for Veteran Student Success	U. S. Department of Education	\$361,995	292	15	6
<i>Purpose:</i> To provide specific support services to veteran students to increase retention and completion rates.					
Emergency Management for Higher Education	U.S. Department of Education	\$497,318	323	18	5
<i>Purpose:</i> To develop an emergency plan that is aligned with the <i>National Incident Management System (NIMS)</i>					



November 15 – 19, 2010
Global Education Week

Monday, November 15, 2010

College Center Solar Lounge

Human Trafficking – A Real Story of the Triumph of an Enslaved Haitian Girl

Keynote Speaker: Micheline Slattery

9:00 to 10:30AM: Meet and Greet – Light Refreshments

9:30 to 10:30: Informal Discussion with the College Community

11:00 to 12:15: Formal Presentation to College Community

12:30 to 2:00: Join us for our annual “Global Day of Thanksgiving” meal.

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Micheline Slattery was born to a prominent political family in Jacmel, Haiti. After being orphaned at the age of five, she was sent to live with her aunt and uncle in a town nearby and forced to be their servant. When she was 14, Micheline was trafficked to Connecticut to serve as her cousin's slave in America — performing domestic chores and taking care of her cousin's three children. It took several years before Micheline was finally able to leave and resettle in Massachusetts, where she now works as a nurse. Micheline has testified before the Massachusetts State Assembly, spoken at the International Women's Day reception in Massachusetts alongside Dr. Swanee Hunt, former US Ambassador to Austria, and been featured by *The New York Times*, *BBC Radio*, and *Marie Claire*. "It's not something I will ever feel free and comfortable talking about, but I do it because I think it will make a difference," Micheline says. "I want people to understand that it's happening. If they need to see a face, see mine.

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http://www.speakingmatters.org/micheline_slattery.html

Tuesday, November 16, 2010

11:00AM to 12:15PM

Technology Building Lecture Hall

Civilians and War: A Viewing and Discussion of the of the Film “The Two of Us” (le vieil home et l'enfant)

Presenter: Associate Professor Charlene E. Williams, School of Language and the Arts (English Department)

Moderator: Dr. Katherine Tietge

Sponsored by the Committees for Global Education and Student Life

The Two of Us, by acclaimed film director Claude Berri, was made in 1967 and takes place during World War II France. The film illustrates plight of persons who are displaced from their homes and who become unwanted refugees as result of conflict and war. The film documents the flight of a young Jewish boy who lives in Nazi-occupied Paris, and who is sent to the countryside to live with an elderly Catholic couple. Pepe, the husband, is a Petain supporter and an anti-Semite, but he does not know about Claude's religion. The film is the story of their growing mutual affection. . An open discussion with audience feedback will follow a screening of the film.

Thursday, November 18, 2010

3:30 to 4:45PM

Technology Building Lecture

OCC Immigrant Student Experiences

Panel Discussion

Moderators: Heidi Sheridan, Instructor School of Language and the Arts, Gary Schmidt, Librarian.

Sponsored by the Committees for Global Education and Student Life

Students who were born in countries around the world will discuss their experiences of immigration to the United States and how their global knowledge has influenced their education. Students will discuss the cultural differences they faced including both educational and language challenges. They will also address how their experience of immigration has influenced their choices for college paths, including major and career goals.