

BROWARD COLLEGE UPDATE

FROM PRESIDENT J. DAVID ARMSTRONG, JR.

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COLLEGE NEWS

Celebrating 11 Years of Excellent Leadership

President Armstrong celebrates 11 years as head of Broward College. He is credited with the redesign of programs and curricula to ensure students are supported from the first day of class through to graduation. These improvements among others have led to Broward College being



ranked among the top community colleges in the nation. On July 1, 2018, President Armstrong will transition to the role of President Emeritus as he continues to support outreach initiatives including strengthening business and donor relations.

2017-2018 Village Square Season Wraps Up With Engaging Discussion on Activism



(L to R) President Armstrong; Yolanda Cash Jackson, shareholder at Becker & Poliakoff and civil rights activist; Greg Haile, incoming president, Broward College; Megan Hobson, community activist, coordinator for Moms Demand Action and Crime Survivors for Safety & Justice; Mei-Ling Ho-Shing, student activist, Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School; Michael Udine, commissioner for Broward County District 3; and Jack Seiler, former Mayor of Fort Lauderdale.

Close to one hundred people attended the final Broward College Dinner at the Square event on June 6. Dinner at the Square is a forum to educate the community on important, and sometimes controversial issues. The evening's moderator was Michael Udine, commissioner for Broward County District 3. He led panelists Yolanda Cash Jackson, shareholder at Becker & Poliakoff and civil rights activist; Megan Hobson, school shooting survivor and community activist; and Mei-Ling Ho-Shing, school shooting survivor and Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School student activist through an engaging discussion on the questions: "does your voice count," "are the young voices being heard," and "will change ultimately occur?"

Broward College District Director of Supplier Relations and Diversity Receives National Recognition



Anthea Pennant was recently named to the 2018 Top 25 Women in Power Impacting Diversity by DiversityPlus Magazine. Pennant was recognized for her leadership qualities and abilities to affect change by increasing supplier diversity.

She leverages her role at Broward College by developing community outreach and engagement initiatives; raise awareness of institutional procurement policies, procedures, and practices; and promote equal opportunities for diverse suppliers.

Broward College Professors Featured in South Korean Exhibition

Two Broward College art professors, Catherine Leisek and Doris Araujo, have been selected to participate in an international Artnauts exhibition titled, “Liminal Space” in South Korea.

The exhibit aims at fostering dialogue on the conflict between North Korea and South Korea and the nuclear threat that exists there. Leisek, an assistant art professor, and Araujo, an adjunct art professor, are among 47 artists whose works are on display at South Korea's DMZ Museum, located three miles south of the North Korean border, from June 22 through December 22, 2018. Both are distinguished members of Artnauts, a respected international collective which uses the arts as a tool for addressing global issues while connecting artists from around the world.

Learn more about Artnauts and the exhibition at www.artnauts.org

Broward College Faculty Supports Screening of Chinese Exclusion Act



L to R: Henry Mack, associate dean, Academic Affairs; Ed Cornejo, associate professor, Humanities; Kari Hebert, assistant professor, Political Science; Sonia Nieves, associate dean, Academic Affairs; Michael Hurlburt, associate professor, Philosophy; and John Donovan, assistant professor, History.

Broward College and South Florida PBS recently hosted an exclusive screening of “The Chinese Exclusion Act” by award-winning documentary filmmakers Ric Burns and Li-Shin Yu of Steeplechase Films. The film sheds light on some historical and contemporary issues surrounding civil liberties, immigration, and culture.

The screening was organized by Henry Mack, associate dean of Academic Affairs in collaboration with South Florida PBS. The film prompted conversations about national attitudes towards race, culture, politics, and society and after the screening, Broward College professors participated in a panel discussion and question and answer session with students and the public.

Celebrating World Refugee Day



L to R: Diane Peart, district director, Workforce and Continuing Education; Continuing Education scholarship awardees Marie Tanis Ocean, Emmanuel Adam, and Daisy Johana Murillo; and Jocelyn Martinez, program director, Project Renew.

Project RENEW (Refugees Entering New Enterprises and Workforce) and the Broward Area Refugee Task Force hosted the 2018 World Refugee Day Award Ceremony under the theme “Refugees Thriving in America,” on Friday, June 15 at the Omni Auditorium on North Campus in Coconut Creek. The Task Force which offers services to refugees, highlighted their contribution to the community and recognized outstanding students and volunteers. World Refugee Day is observed every year on June 20.

Broward College Organizes College Fair for Employees



John Benz (left), president and CEO of Community Care Plan and former chairman of the Broward College Board of Trustees, shows his support for the College Fair as Mary Monusky, district director of Corporate Relations at Broward College looks on.

On June 8, the Enrollment Services, Career and Technical Education, and Corporate Relations department held a College Fair for employees at Community Care Plan in Sunrise, Florida. The event is the second with the organization and provides concierge services to businesses that want to enroll their employees in college courses. There are plans to expand this strategy to other organizations in the county.

Senator Galvano Visits North Campus



On June 20, Senator Bill Galvano, District 21, visited North Campus. The senator toured the campus, met faculty and staff, and some of the College’s talented Health Science pathway students. He will succeed Senator Joe Negron as the next president of the Senate.

Broward College Student Aislynn Blue Cline Selected as NASA Community College Aerospace Scholar



Aislynn Blue Cline, an Astronomy major, was selected to travel to NASA's Langley Research Center in Hampton, Virginia for a four-day, all-expense paid trip from June 24-27, 2018. To qualify, the 21-year-old was required to complete a comprehensive five-week online program. She finished in the top

percentile and was selected as one of 280 community college students from across the United States.

The NASA National College Aerospace Scholar (NCAS) onsite experience offers students the opportunity to interact with NASA engineers and others as they learn more about careers in science and engineering. While at NASA, Cline will join a team and establish a fictional company interested in Mars exploration. Each student team is responsible for developing and testing a prototype rover, forming a company infrastructure, managing a budget, and developing communications and outreach.

Seahawks Selected in Major League Baseball (MLB) Draft



Onix Vega was selected by the Washington Nationals in the 20th round of the 2018 Major League Baseball Draft. At Broward College, Vega played in 53 games, batting .338, with 44 runs, nine doubles, five home runs, 46 runs batted in, 93 total bases, 14 extra-base hits, 29 walks, 10 hit-by-pitches and four sacrifice flies to record a .456 slugging percentage and a .437 on-base percentage.



Three former Seahawks were also selected in the 2018 draft. L to R: Cristian Reyes (Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim), Daniel Reyes (Detroit Tigers), and Rigo Beltran (Seattle Mariners). Since 2014, 13 Broward College baseball players have been drafted in the MLB.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Independence Day (no classes)**

July 4

All campuses and centers closed

- **Continuous Improvement Conference**

July 29 – 31

Judson A. Samuels South Campus

- **Family Fun Day**

July 14, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Dave and Busters, 3000 Oakwood Blvd., Hollywood

- **Faculty Welcome Back**

August 16, 7 – 11 a.m.

Omni Auditorium, North Campus

Advancement in Nursing



On June 13, the Broward College Nursing program hosted a special luncheon at the Signature Grand in Davie to honor 57 of its RN-BSN graduates. The event included Student Service Awards and a traditional nurse pinning and RN-BSN National Honor Society Induction Ceremony.

It's Official



As part of World Refugee Day celebrations on Friday, June 15, more than 100 people were sworn in as citizens. The United States Citizenship and immigration services (USCIS) hosted its naturalization Ceremony at the Omni Auditorium on North Campus. The keynote address was delivered by Broward College Trustee David Maymon.

Supporting Veterans Through the Arts



David Le Batard, a Cuban-American artist based in Miami, Florida, best known for murals, live painting, and sculpture recently offered support to veterans at Broward College. Le Batard shared his experience of using drawing as a form of therapeutic escape.

Welcome!



Students from the Broward College Vietnam Center were officially welcomed at a luncheon by President Armstrong on June 18 at the Willis Holcombe Center in Fort Lauderdale. The students are the first cohort from the center attending a summer camp program for language immersion.

Pin Me...



Graduates from the Diagnostic Medical Sonography program were honored at the annual Pinning Ceremony held at the North Campus Library on May 4. Family and friends were invited to celebrate with the 13 graduates to mark their accomplishment.

Planetarium Officially Reopens

On Friday, June 8, the Broward College Foundation celebrated the reopening of the Buehler Planetarium, which had been closed for renovation for nearly two years. The event included a reception and a brief presentation. Incoming Broward College President Greg Haile thanked George Weaver, a lead trustee with the Emil Buehler Perpetual Trust, for providing the funding to renovate the facility, which has accommodated more than 2 million students in the area since its opening in 1965. After a ribbon-cutting ceremony, Director Susan Barnett, who has worked at the planetarium for more than 30 years, narrated a “Personal Tour of the Universe.”



L to R: Susan Barnett, director of the Buehler Planetarium; Nancy R. Botero, vice president for Advancement and executive director of the Broward College Foundation; Mike Rump, member of the Broward College District Board of Trustees; George Weaver, trustee with the Emil Buehler Perpetual Trust; Greg Haile, incoming president of Broward College; and Pam Stephany, chair of the Broward College Foundation Board of Directors.

Broward College Foundation Receives Excellent Audit Reviews

Representatives from Keefe McCullough presented audited financial statements and the Form 990 for 2017. Once again, the Foundation received an excellent review with no recommendations for improvement. The representatives complimented Bev Yanowitch for her 11 years of service and the smooth process for transitioning financial oversight to AVP Shannon Roddy.

Appointments and Changes to the Broward College Foundation Board of Directors



At the May 24 meeting of the Broward College Foundation Board of Directors, Craig L. Farlie, founder of Harbor Beach Capital, was appointed to the board for an initial one-year term. Farlie has held leadership positions at NYSE-listed Republic Services,

Blockbuster Entertainment, and PaineWebber. He earned his A.B. magna cum laude from Princeton University and an MBA from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business.

The term of Terri Justice, distinguished alumna and former dean on the Judson A. Samuels South Campus, concluded and the board voted to transition her to honorary status.

Roy Krause, who moved to Atlanta, resigned and was also transitioned to honorary status. Richard Suss will assume the remainder of Krause's term as treasurer.

J. David Armstrong, Jr. and Greg Haile Recognized

During the Board of Directors meeting, President Armstrong was presented with a resolution from the Broward College Foundation thanking him for his service during his 11-year tenure, including helping to raise more than \$28 million to support student scholarships, faculty initiatives, academic programs, and learning facility enhancements. During his leadership, close to 18,000 students received donor-funded scholarships.

Incoming president Greg Haile who attended the meeting was also recognized. He was informed that College staff had contributed to the Mr. and Mrs. Gregory and Chae Haile Scholarship in gratitude for his service to the College and the Foundation in Tallahassee while he served as vice president for Government Relations and General Counsel.

President Armstrong Announces \$200,000 Commitment to the College



In his final comments to the Board of Trustees as President of Broward College, Armstrong said \$100,000 would be used towards the new Student Venture Fund within

BC Eduventures to support the business ideas of student entrepreneurs. The other \$100,000 will be donated through the Broward College Foundation to establish the “Armstrong Fund.” The money will be designated to support initiatives such as the American Dream Scholarship program and other worthwhile initiatives for students and the college.

“My greatest passion and joy at this college is the success of our students, and I want to show a token of my commitment to the college and our students today by announcing that I will be contributing \$200,000 for several good purposes,” said President Armstrong. “... While I will no longer serve as your active day-to-day president, have no doubt that I will always be connected to the mission of Broward College and to the greater Broward County community.”

Board of Trustees Recognizes John Benz

The former chair was presented with a proclamation for his service to the College and the community. He served as a trustee since 2010 and chair of the Board from 2014 to May 2018. Benz is credited with being a bridge between the College and the local business community. He was commended for helping to foster a spirit of entrepreneurship leading to the Willis Holcombe Center redevelopment project with Stiles Corporation; the creation of the Innovation Hub Business Incubator, BC Eduventures, and the new Direct Support Organization (DSO) focused on alternative revenue generation for the College.



John Benz shares a photo opportunity after accepting the proclamation presented to him by the Board of Trustees. From L to R: Greg Haile, incoming president, Broward College; David Maymon, Gloria Fernandez, John Benz, President Armstrong and Mike Rump.



New Trustee Joins Broward College Board

Matthew Caldwell has joined the Broward College Board of Trustees. Caldwell, who was appointed by Governor Rick Scott in June, was officially welcomed by Vice Chair Gloria Fernandez. He is the president and CEO of the Florida Panthers and Sunrise Sports & Entertainment. Caldwell received his Juris Doctorate from Northwestern University School of Law, his MBA from Northwestern Kellogg School of Management, and his Bachelor of Science from West Point.

Student Life Honors President Armstrong and John Benz



More than twenty students accompanied by Sammy Seahawk made a surprise visit during the June Board of Trustees meeting to honor President Armstrong and John Benz. The group presented a cake and photos autographed by students to both men as part of their appreciation for the contributions they have made to the College.

Health Sciences Simulation Receives Provisional National Accreditation



Broward College is the third higher education institution in the state of Florida to be granted Provisional Accreditation by the Society for

Simulation in Healthcare (SSH). A program is eligible for this accreditation when it demonstrates established structure and processes in its teaching consistent with the SSH Provisional Accreditation Standards. Final accreditation will be granted once the program demonstrates a two-year track record of excellence in assessment, research, or teaching.

Fulbright Scholar Introduced to Board of Trustees



Doru Banaduc, Ph.D. who arrived for the exchange program in March is the first Fulbright scholar assigned to the College. Banaduc is from the Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu in Romania. He is

assisting with the development of additional courses for the Bachelor of Environmental Science. He told the Board he was honored to be at the College and for the opportunity to make contributions to this important field.

Retirements



Rich Ackerman retires from his position as associate dean of University/College Library, Library Operations. He joined the College seven years ago after retiring from a career in computer technology. Ackerman is credited with implementing the first mobile library site and improving the institutional knowledge of the College through technological upgrades.



Kathy King joined the College in 2002 as director of a major grant initiative to address the nursing shortage. In her last position as District Director of the Health Sciences Simulation Center, King is credited with introducing simulation as part of the curriculum.