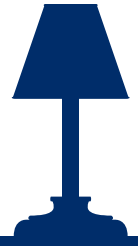




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From The Desk of ACCT



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FROM THE DESK OF ACCT is a new information briefing for the members of ACCT. This newsletter is designed to inform you of key activities and initiatives taking place at your Association.

ON THE ROAD

J. NOAH BROWN CONTINUES TO VISIT TRUSTEES at their state association meetings. Noah was in Racine, WI, July 13-15 where he gave a keynote speech and participated in legislative sessions with trustees from the state. The following week, Noah had a homecoming in Michigan where he met with trustees in his home state. He gave a keynote address and shared ACCT's priorities with attendees.

NEXT UP: Noah will head to Tucson, AZ, August 16-18 for the "All College Day," where he will be a Keynote Speaker at Pima Community College District. He will discuss the community college position in education, the future direction of our colleges and take a close look at the evolution of college faculty. Noah will also address administrators on the important role of college administrators at different levels. On September 8-9, Noah will visit with the Kansas Association of Community College Trustees in Wichita.

VISIT WITH INCOMING CHAIR KITTY BOYLE

J. NOAH BROWN SPENT TIME WITH ACCT'S INCOMING CHAIR, KITTY BOYLE, on July 17 and 18. During his visit to Chair-Elect Boyle's hometown of Irving, TX, they discussed current ACCT efforts and Boyle's vision and goals for her year as Chair of the Association. In between their discussions, Noah and Kitty traveled to Ft. Worth and saw the parade of the Long Horns as well as many other notable Texas attractions.

CHAIR KEN BURKE SERVES ON UNESCO COMMISSION

ON JUNE 1 AND 2, KEN BURKE TRAVELED TO WASHINGTON, DC, TO SERVE ON THE U.S. NATIONAL COMMISSION TO UNESCO, the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization. Chair Burke actively engaged with counterparts from non-governmental organizations that advise the U.S. State Department on issues relating to working with UNESCO and the international community on global education challenges.

NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON POSTSECONDARY STUDENT SUCCESS

ACCT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS, KEN BURKE, KITTY BOYLE AND LYNDIA STANLEY WILL PARTICIPATE IN The National Symposium on Postsecondary Student Success, a three-day forum to be held in Washington, DC, Nov. 1-3. The participants will lead a workshop discussion on what constitutes success and what factors impact success for different types of students in different types of postsecondary institutions. For more information, please visit the *special events* section on the ACCT website.

ACCT IS MOVING!

IN SEPTEMBER, ACCT WILL BE MOVING TO A NEW SUITE WITHIN ITS CURRENT BUILDING. Suite 301 is currently under construction and anticipated for completion by the end of August. ACCT Corporate Council Member, AllSteel, will provide complete furnishing for the new suite. Angie Summers, Systems and Finance Administrator, is working with vendors to obtain voice & data cabling and a new phone system. ACCT will notify the membership once the move is complete.

ADVOCACY

THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAUCUS IN THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS OVER 100 MEMBERS! Is your representative a member? To check, visit www.acct.org and click on Advocacy. If not, visit ACCT's Legislative Action Center and send an e-mail to your Representative encouraging them to join.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAUCUS HOLDS BRIEFING

THE CO-CHAIRS OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAUCUS HELD A CONGRESSIONAL staff briefing on July 20. The briefing was intended to educate Congressional staff about community colleges and the federal funding opportunities available to them. J. Noah Brown provided opening comments at the briefing.

COMMISSION ON THE FUTURE OF HIGHER EDUCATION RELEASES DRAFT REPORT

THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S COMMISSION ON THE FUTURE OF HIGHER EDUCATION released a draft report in late June. It is expected to go through a number of changes. The Commission expects to release a final report in late September or early October. To view the draft visit: <http://www.ed.gov/about/bdscomm/list/hiedfuture/reports/report.pdf>

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR RELEASES GRANT SOLICITATION

ON JULY 3, THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR RELEASED THE GRANT SOLICITATION FOR THE COMMUNITY Based Job Training Grants Program (CBJTG). In total, the Department of Labor will provide approximately \$125 million in grants. The program funds community colleges and other entities to support workforce training for high-growth industries. For more information visit: <http://www.acct.org/Template6.asp?bid=3612>.

NEW GRANTS FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ANNOUNCED TWO NEW GRANTS: the Academic Competitiveness Grant and the National Science and Mathematics Access to Retain Talent (SMART) Grant. Qualified Pell Grant-eligible students, maintaining a 3.0 GPA are eligible for these grants, totaling \$790 million in funding for 2006-07, with over \$4.5 billion over the next five years. The grants will go to students who pursue college majors that are in high economic demand areas, such as science, math, technology, engineering and critical foreign languages. For more information visit: <http://www.ed.gov/about/inits/ed/competitiveness/ac-smart2.html>.

ACCT MEMBER COLLEGE RE-JOINS

ACCT IS PLEASED TO WELCOME BACK MINERAL AREA COLLEGE, MO. The college has re-activated their membership for the 2006-2007 year.

GOVERNANCE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE WAS A GRAND SUCCESS

ACCT'S FIRST TARGETED EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY, THE GOVERNANCE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE: Chairing the Board: The Crucial Role of the Chair and the Executive Committee of the Board was a great success. Over 80 trustees and presidents traveled to Washington, DC from all over the nation. As the first of many governance forums that ACCT hopes to develop in coming years, this institute was designed to assist in enhancing skills and knowledge to be an even more effective policymaker on behalf of communities.

Future Institutes will focus on the fundamentals of trusteeship, advocacy, workforce and economic development, community partnerships, and other key issues and challenges facing community college boards today. We are working to offer these Institutes as stand-alone programs around the country, as well as in partnership with your state association.

Trustee Quarterly Wins Award

ACCT'S MEMBERSHIP MAGAZINE, THE TRUSTEE QUARTERLY, HAS WON AN AWARD OF EXCELLENCE for the 18th annual APEX awards. The *Trustee Quarterly* was chosen out of a field of over 5,000 applicants for the following category: Most Improved in the area of Magazines & Journals. APEX is the Annual Awards for Publication Excellence Competition, sponsored by the editors of *Writing That Works*, the newsletter for communicators who write, edit and manage business publications. The Summer issue of the *Trustee Quarterly* will be sent to all members in mid to late August.

Register Now for the Annual Congress

ACCT'S ANNUAL CONGRESS WILL TAKE PLACE OCTOBER 11-14 AT THE ORLANDO WORLD CENTER MARRIOTT RESORT & CONVENTION CENTER.

The Congress affords the nation's community college trustees with the opportunity to network, exchange ideas, learn about public policy strategies, trends and economic development opportunities, while also enhancing their leadership skills. The program highlights more than 100 topics.

Keynote speakers and special presentations will be made by:

David Armstrong, Chancellor, Florida Community College System, FL
Judith Eaton, President, Council for Higher Education Accreditation, DC
John M. Mutz, Chairman, Lumina Foundation, IN
Piedad F. Robertson, President, Education Commission of the States, CO
Ralph Smith, Senior Vice President, Annie E. Casey Foundation, MD

Board Leadership Services

ACCT IS ASSISTING TWO COLLEGES WITH THE APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM leaders. The board of trustees at Houston Community College District, TX is underway with the selection and appointment of an interim Chancellor. The Ventura County Community College, CA has asked ACCT to assist in identifying a president for Oxnard College, CA.

BLS is in the process of assisting the Community College of Baltimore County with the task of bringing in a new executive team. Legislature has been approved to reorganize CCBC from

a multi-college district to a single college with multi-campus. The board and new president asked ACCT to recruit and facilitate the process for a vice president of enrollment, student services, administrative services and instruction.

BLS is currently assisting with the following CEO searches:

Mercer County Community College, NJ
San Jose City College, San Jose City/Evergreen CCD, CA
San Mateo College, San Mateo CCD, CA
Columbia College, Yosemite CCD, CA

Board Leadership Services Statement of Principles

ACCT HAS PUBLISHED ITS STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES, AVAILING THEMSELVES OF SEARCH SERVICES and affirming our membership commitment to the highest level of standards. Please visit www.acct.org and click on Board Services to read The Statement. Contact Narcisa Polonio at npolonio@acct.org with any questions.

Website/Membership Database Update

DON'T FORGET TO CHECK ACCT'S WEBSITE FOR PROGRAM AND EVENT INFORMATION. We are constantly updating our membership database and e-mail addresses. If we do not have your most recent email address, please send it to us at: acctinfo@acct.org

FOR COLLEGE SECRETARIES: By logging on to www.acct.org, clicking on the "Membership" link and entering a User Id and Password, the college secretary will have direct access to the information ACCT currently has about you, your board members, and your institution. If unable to access or update your information, please contact us by email: acctinfo@acct.org, by phone 866-895-2228 or by fax 866-904-2228.

2006 Regional Awards Recipients Announced

THE REGIONAL AWARDS COMMITTEES HAVE SELECTED THE 2006 REGIONAL AWARD RECIPIENTS. Regional Awardees will be honored during the 2006 Annual Community College Leadership Congress at the Orlando World Center Marriott Resort & Convention Center, October 11-14.

REGIONAL TRUSTEE LEADERSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

James L. Ayers, Parkland College, IL (Central)
Manuel Benavidez, South Texas College, TX (Western)
Carole Currey, Santa Monica CCD, CA (Pacific)
Mahmoud Fahmy, Luzerne County CC, PA (Northeast)
Carolyn Price, Trident Technical College, SC (Southern)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AWARD RECIPIENTS

James J. Cook, Rose State College, OK (Western)
Mary Ellen Duncan, Howard, CC MD (Northeast)
Thomas C. Henry, Mohave Community College, AZ (Pacific)
E. Ann McGee, Seminole Community College, FL (Southern)
Daniel J. Phelan, Jackson Community College, MI (Central)

EQUITY AWARD RECIPIENTS

Arizona Western College, AZ (Pacific)
Atlantic Cape Community College, NJ (Northeast)

Danville Area Community College, IL (Central)
Hillsborough Community College, FL (Southern)

FACULTY MEMBER AWARD RECIPIENTS

Carolyn Maura McManus, College of Southern Maryland, MD, (Northeast)
Joyce Meinecke, Central Community College, NE (Western)
Gilda Rubio-Festa, Central Piedmont CC, NC (Southern)
Kathy R. Sturgeon, Danville Area CC, IL (Central)
Laurie Vasquez, Santa Barbara CCD, CA (Pacific)

PROFESSIONAL BOARD STAFF MEMBER AWARD RECIPIENTS

Gloria Breland, Mississippi Gulf Coast CC, MS (Southern)
Doretha Eason, Houston CC System, TX (Western)
Jon O'Bergh, Foothill-De Anza CCD, CA (Pacific)
Valerie Schuette, Jackson Community College, MI (Central)
Alonia C. Sharps, Prince George's CC, MD (Northeast)

These distinguished regional award recipients are now the sole nominees from their region for the prestigious Association Award that will be presented during the Annual Awards Gala held in conjunction with the Orlando Congress.

WHO WILL BE SELECTED AS THE 2006 ASSOCIATION AWARD RECIPIENT?



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