

#### SEATTLE COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### March 10, 2016

**STUDY SESSION** 

2:00 p.m.

President's Boardroom

South Seattle College

Seattle, WA

**TENURE RECEPTION** 

2:30 p.m.

**Brockey Center** 

South Seattle College

Seattle, WA

**REGULAR SESSION** 

3:30 p.m.

President's Boardroom

South Seattle College

Seattle, WA

#### STUDY SESSION AGENDA

2:00 p.m.

**CALL TO EXECUTIVE SESSION** 

To discuss the performance of a public employee

2:30 p.m.

**OPEN SESSION** 

A. Recommended Board Action, Approval of Tenure

Tab 3

2:30 p.m.

**TENURE RECEPTION** 

Location: Brockey Center

# REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

3:30 p.m.	CALL TO ORDER			
3:30 p.m.	ROLL CALL INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS – REMIND VISITORS TO SIGN IN			
3:30 p.m.				
3:40 p.m.	APPROVAL OF AGENDA   ACTION	Tab 1		
3:45 p.m.	PUBLIC COMMENTS			
	Fifteen minutes are regularly set aside for people to express their views on any matter except those restricted to Executive Session.			
4:00 p.m.	PRESENTATION South 2017/AACC Pathways Project Presenters: Gary Oertli, President; Pete Lortz, Vice President for Instruction; Rosie Rimando-Chereunsap, Vice President for Student Services; Jake Ashcraft, Faculty; Steve Hill, Board of Trustees			
4:15 p.m.	RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTIONS   ACTION			
	A. Tender of Gifts	Tab 2		
	B. Recommended Approval of Tenure	Tab 3		
	C. Recommended Tenure Extension	Tab 4		
	D. Policy 606, Second and Final Reading	Tab 5		
	E. BAS Approval	Tab 6		
4:30 p.m.	INFORMATIONAL ITEMS			
	A. 2015-16 Professional Leave	Tab 7		
	B. District Philanthropy Study	•		
	C. 2016-17 Budget Development Process			
4:45 p.m.	ORAL REPORTS			
	A. <u>Chancellor's Report</u>			
	B. <u>Associated Student Body Presidents</u>			

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- 1. Ms. Sarah Baker, North Seattle College
- 2. Mr. Nickey Mitchell, Seattle Central College
- 3. Mr. Ryan Lonergan, Interim at South Seattle College

#### C. AFT Seattle Community Colleges

Ms. Annette Stofer

#### D. Washington Federation of State Employees

Mr. Ty Pethe, President

#### D. <u>College Presidents and Vice Chancellors</u>

- 1. President Warren Brown, North Seattle College
- 2. Interim President Sheila Edwards Lange, Seattle Central College
- 3. President Gary Oertli, South Seattle College

#### E. <u>Board of Trustees</u>

- 1. Mr. Steve Hill, Chair
- 2. Ms. Teresita Batayola, Vice Chair
- 3. Mr. Jorge Carrasco
- 4. Ms. Louise Chernin
- 5. Ms. Carmen Gayton

#### 5:00 p.m. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at the Siegal Center Boardroom, 1500 Harvard, Seattle, WA 98122. There will be a Study Session at 2:00 p.m., and the Regular Meeting will follow at 3:00 p.m.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION(S)**

An executive session may be held for one or more of the following purposes: (1) To receive and evaluate complaints against a public officer or employee; (2) To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee; (3) To discuss with legal counsel litigation or potential litigation to which the college is, or is like to become, a party, when public knowledge of the discussion would likely result in adverse consequence to the district; (4) To consider, as a quasi-judicial body, a quasi-judicial matter between named parties; (5) To consider matters governed by the administrative procedure act, chapter 34.05 RCW; and/or (6) To plan or adopt the strategy or position to be taken during collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or to review proposals made in on-going negotiations or proceedings.



#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

**Board of Trustees** 

FROM:

Dr. Jill Wakefield

Chancellor

DATE:

March 10, 2016

SUBJECT:

TENDER OF GIFTS TO SEATTLE COLLEGES

#### **Background**

Periodically gifts are contributed to Seattle Colleges to assist the District in achieving its educational goals and objectives. There are two major categories: (1) Cash Gifts and (2) In-Kind Gifts, such as equipment, supplies and materials.

On the attached pages are summaries of the gifts received during the period of February 1, 2016 – March 1, 2016.

#### Recommendation

In accordance with established Board Policy No. 152, it is recommended that the Board of Trustees accept the gifts tendered to the Seattle Colleges as shown on the attached schedules.

Submitted by:

Dr. Kurt Buttleman

Vice Chancellor of Finance & Technology

Transmitted to the Board with a favorable recommendation.

Dr/Jill Wakefield

# TENDER OF GIFTS TO SEATTLE COLLEGE DISTRICT AS OF FEBRUARY 1, 2016

CASH

NORTH CENTRAL GIFT AND PURPOSE DONOR

Urban Research Park CDE Grant - ABE

Foundation for Seattle Comm Colleges

\$152,000.00

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DISTRICT-WIDE

SIEGAL

SOUTH

\$0.00	
\$0.00	\$152,000.00
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CAMPUS TOTALS	TOTAL CASH GIFTS TO SEATTLE COLLEGES

Heather Emlund Financial Operations



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#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

**Board of Trustees** 

FROM:

Dr. Jill Wakefield

Chancellor

DATE:

March 10, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Recommended Approval of Tenure

#### Background

You have received tenure summaries for review and consideration for 21 faculty members. The faculty members listed below have been found to be qualified in their fields as instructors, and have been recommended for tenure in their discipline by their college tenure review committee, vice president, and president. I concur with these recommendations.

#### **North Seattle College**

Jayne Forest
Kennan Knudson
Handler Dules

Science & Mathematics Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences Nursing **English** 

**Heather Price** 

Science & Mathematics

Chemistry

Honorio Todino

International Business/BEIT

International Business B.A.S.

#### **Seattle Central College**

Ricco Bonicalzi
Erik Fadiman
Marina Halverson
Rebecca Hartzler
Melanie King
Adrienne Lugg

Science & Mathematics **Business, IT & Creative Arts** Science & Mathematics Science & Mathematics

Physics/Math **Graphic Design** Biology/Oceanography

**Humanities & Social Sciences** 

Physics/Math **Art History** 

ABE/ESL Basic and Transitional Studies ABE/ESL

#### **South Seattle College**

**Anton Amaratunge** 

**Professional Technical Education** 

**Aviation** 

Rick Baker **Professional Technical Education** Welding Mary Beans **Professional Technical Education BAS** Jim Bentley **Professional Technical Education** Aviation Ryan Dorman **Academic Programs** Math Ravi Gandham **Academic Programs Computer Science** Ken Johnson **Professional Technical Education** Welding Tish Lopez **Academic Programs** English Ruben Murcia **Academic Programs** Biology Elizabeth Schoene **Academic Programs Physics** Paige Talbot **Academic Programs** English

#### **Recommended Action**

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees, having given reasonable consideration to the recommendations of the tenure review committee, the vice president and president, grant tenure to the faculty member in his or her discipline as specifically indicated above.

Submitted by and transmitted to the Board with a favorable recommendation,

Jill Wakefield, Ed.D.

Jill Wakefuld



#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

**Board of Trustees** 

FROM:

Jill Wakefield, Ed.D.

Chancellor

DATE:

March 10, 2016

SUBJECT:

Recommended Tenure Probationary Period Extension for Hugo Alamillo

#### **Background**

You have received the college tenure review committee's tenure extension and performance improvement plan for Hugo Alamillo, Mathematics & Sciences faculty at North Seattle College. The faculty has been recommended for a one quarter probationary period extension to the fourth year by their college tenure review committee, vice president, and president. I concur with this recommendations.

#### **North Seattle College**

Hugo Alamillo

**Mathematics & Sciences** 

#### **Recommended Action**

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees, having given reasonable consideration to the recommendation of the tenure review committee, as well as the vice president's and president's recommendations, grant a one quarter probationary period extension to the fourth year for Hugo Alamillo.

Submitted by and transmitted to the Board with a favorable recommendation,

Jill A. Wakefield, Ed.D.

Jill Wakefuld



#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

**Board of Trustees** 

FROM:

Jill Wakefield, Ed.D.

Chancellor

DATE:

March 10, 2016

**SUBJECT:** 

Recommended Tenure Probationary Period Extension for Karen Urick

#### **Background**

You have received the college tenure review committee's tenure extension and performance improvement plan for Karen Urick, Health & Human Services faculty at North Seattle College. The faculty has been recommended for a three quarter probationary period extension to the fourth year by their college tenure review committee, vice president, and president. I concur with this recommendations.

#### **North Seattle College**

Karen Urick

Health & Human Services

#### **Recommended Action**

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees, having given reasonable consideration to the recommendation of the tenure review committee, as well as the vice president's and president's recommendations, grant a three quarter probationary period extension to the fourth year for Karen Urick.

Submitted by and transmitted to the Board with a favorable recommendation,

Jill A. Wakefield, Ed.D.

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#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

**Board of Trustees** 

FROM:

Kurt Buttleman

DATE:

March 10, 2016

SUBJECT:

Policy 606 - Second Reading & final Action

#### Background

The attached <u>Tuition and Fee Waivers</u> revision is suggested to update this policy to align with RCW 28B. 15 and the practices of the Seattle Colleges. The language from the former Procedure has been incorporated to provide the detail necessary for following this Policy.

This item is being sent to the Board for second reading and final action. Once the Board approves the policy, it becomes effective immediately.

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board adopt these revisions to Policy 606.

Submitted by:

Dr. Kurt R. Buttleman

Vice Chancellor for Finance & Technology

Transmitted to the Board of Trustees with favorable recommendation.

#### SEATTLE COLLEGE DISTRICT POLICY

NUMBER: 606

TITLE: TUITION AND FEE WAIVERS

The Seattle College District(SCD), as directed by the Board of Trustees, will provide a program of tuition and fee waivers as authorized by the Washington State Legislature and the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges, subject to the criteria set forth in RCW 28B.15.

#### 606.10 General Waivers

This policy outlines Percentage Building, Service & Activities and Operating fees, waived unless otherwise noted herein.

# 606.10.10 Vocational - Over 18 Credits RCW 28B.15.100(3)

- Resident SCD will waive 100% of the Building, and Service & Activities fees and all except 15% of the Operating Fee for credits over 18 for individuals enrolled and declared in the official college registration records as a vocational program student.
- Non-Resident SCD will waive 100% of the Building, and Service & Activities fees and all except 15% of the Non-Resident Operating fee for credits over 18 for individuals enrolled and declared in the official registration records as a vocational program student.

# 606.10.20 Eligible Veterans or National Guard Members RCW 28B.15.621 (3)

Washington domiciliary (Resident) - SCD will waive all of the Building, Service & Activities, and Operating Fees for students qualifying pursuant to RCW 28B.15.621, who were in active duty in the U.S. military or naval forces, or a National Guard member called to active duty in a war or conflict fought on foreign soil or in international waters or in another location in support of those serving on foreign soil or in international waters, and if discharged from service, received an honorable discharge. Students

Eligible military or naval veterans must be a Washington domiciliary.

606.10.40 Children of Deceased or Disabled Law Enforcement or Firefighters RCW 28B.15.520(1)(b)

SCD will waive 100% of the Building, Service & Activities, and Operating fees for children of a parent who has died or become totally disabled in the line of duty while employed by a public law enforcement agency or full-time or voluntary fire department, provided student begins course of study within 10 years of high school completion. Documentation from the Department of Retirement Systems is required.

# 606.10.50 Natural Resource Dislocated Workers RCW 28B.50.259

SCD will waive 100% of the Building, Service & Activities, and Operating fees for dislocated forest product workers (SBCTC wording on wavier chart) enrolled in 10 or more credits for a maximum of 6 quarters within a 2-year period. Approval from the SBCTC is sent to Job Service Centers and the college. Student will receive notification from the Job Service Center.

# 606.10.60 High School Completion (Resident) RCW 28B.15.520(1)(a)

SCD will waive 80% of the Building, Service & Activities, and Operating fee for resident students 19 years of age and older who are enrolled in high school completion program. (See 606.20.20 for Non-Resident)

## 606.10.70 Needy/General Waiver RCW 28B.15.740(1)

SCD may grant unlimited waiver for resident financially needy students of the Building, Service & Activities, and Operating fee within the districtwide 35% limit. 3/4 of 1% of tuition collections may be waived for residents or non-

SCD will waive 100% of the non-resident tuition differential of the Building, Service & Activities, and Operating fees for high school graduates who spent 75% of both junior and senior years in high school in Washington State and enrolled in SCD within 6 months of graduation, provided parent or legal guardian resided in Washington State within 5 years before student graduated high school.

606.20.30 High School Completion Non-Resident RCW 28B.15.520(2)(a)

SCD will waive 100% of the non-resident differential of the Building, Service & Activities, and Operating fee for non-resident students 19 years of age and older who are enrolled in high school completion program.

606.20.40 Refugee RCW 28B.15.014(3)

SCD will waive 100% of the non-resident differential of the Operating and Building fees for student qualifying as refugees, as follows: (1) on parole status, (2) on an immigrant visa, or (3) applied for citizenship.

606.20.50 e-Learning (Non-Resident) RCW 28B.15.915

SCD will waive 100% of the non-resident differential of the Operating fees for students that are US citizens or INS permanent residents and enrolled in e-learning courses.

606.20.60 Native American RCW 28B.15.0131

Residents of Idaho, Montana, and Oregon who are members of the following tribes will be charged a fee in lieu of resident tuition if domicile in Washington is less than one year. If one year domicile in Washington, qualify as regular resident students: Colville, Chehalis, Hoh, Jamestown, S' Kallam, Kalispel, Kootenai, Lower Elwha, Klallam, Lummi, Makah, Muckleshoot, Nez Perce, Nisqually, Nooksack, Port Gamble S' Klallam, Puyallup, Quileute,

course credits gained thereby for increasing credentials
or salary schedule increases.

#### 606.40 Ungraded Courses

606.40.10 Seniors (Retirement Courses)
WAC 131-28-026(3)(c)

SCD will waive 70% of the Building, Service & Activity, and Operating fee for senior citizens aged 55 and older, for enrollment in ungraded retirement courses.

 $\frac{606-40-20}{\text{WAC}}$  First Aid  $\frac{4}{\text{C}}$ 

SCD will waive 100% of the Service & Activities fee for enrollment in ungraded first aid courses.

606.40.30 EMT Paramedic WAC 131-28-026(3)(b)

SCD will waive 85% of the Building, Service & Activities, and Operating fee for enrollment in EMT programs/courses.

 $\frac{606.40.40 \text{ ABE / ESL / GED}^{+}}{\text{WAC } 131-28-026(4)(a); SBCTC Resolution } 04-03-03$ 

ABE / ESL / GED students are charged the state authorized tuition amount of \$25 at the time of registration.

Students apply for a waiver of the tuition through the college's adult basic education offices.

606.40.50 Parent Education WAC 131-20-026(4)(b)

SCD will waive 100% of the Building, and Service & Activities fee, and all except \$12.00 per credit of the Operating fee for enrollment in Parent Education Cooperative Preschool programs/courses.

606.40.60 Apprenticeship Training WAC 131-28-026(4)(b)

- 1. Family income of equal to or less than 50 percent of the state median
- 2. Family income less than 200% of the federal poverty level
- 3. Receiving any state or federal assistance funds
- 4. Foster youth

Board of Trustees - Revision & Adoption History

Adopted: 10/02/1990
Revised: 10/03/1995
Revised: 04/02/1996
Revised: 09/09/1997
Revised: 04/24/1998
Revised: 06/06/2000
Revised: 02/20/2001
Reviewed 9/10/2009
Reviewed: 12/5/2013



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#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

**Board of Trustees** 

FROM:

Dr. Jill Wakefield, Chancellor

DATE:

March 10, 2016

SUBJECT:

Workforce and Trades Leadership BAS Degree

#### Background

South Seattle College is in the approval process for a bachelor of applied science (BAS) degree in Workforce and Trades Leadership. This new degree will provide qualified trades men and women with the knowledge and skills necessary to become effective supervisors, managers, and leaders. The degree builds on knowledge from industry and focuses on the development of key learning outcomes such as critical thinking, teamwork, and intercultural knowledge and competence. This degree program will target journey workers who have completed an apprenticeship program, incumbent workers, and current students in two-year workforce degree programs.

Labor market data shows a clear need for people who can transition from their trade to a leadership or supervisory role. Washington State's Employment Security Department estimates over 2,000 jobs annually in the following workforce and trades leadership areas: Construction Managers, Industrial Production Managers, Supervisors of Construction and Extraction Workers, First-Line Supervisors of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers, and First-Line Supervisors of Transportation and Material-Moving Machine and Vehicle Operators.

The degree has been approved by the Chancellor's cabinet. The Statement of Need is in the approval process, and a formal proposal is in development for the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges.

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that the Workforce and Trades Leadership BAS Degree be approved.

Submitted by

Dr. Jill Wakefield



#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

**Board of Trustees** 

FROM:

Jill Wakefield

DATE:

March 10, 2016

**SUBJECT:** 

2015-2016 Professional Leave Applications – INFORMATIONAL ONLY

This year, the Professional Leave Committee received 12 professional leave applications: 7 applicants from Seattle Central College and 5 from North Seattle College. The departments of these faculty members include humanities and social sciences, mathematics and science, fine arts, and library. The Committee met on February 1, 2016 to review, score and rank all applications. Though all proposals were excellent this year, based on the committee's scoring and in compliance with Article 5.10 of the SCD-AFT Collective Bargaining Agreement and RCW 28B.10.650, we have decided to move forward in awarding the top six applicants. The names, departments, and a brief summary of the faculty members' proposals are listed as follows:

#### 1. Jaime Cardenas – Central Humanities & Social Sciences (one quarter)

- a. Complete training in digital humanities (DH) pedagogy at the University of Washington
- b. Create a digital portal for the DH community at Central
- c. Organize a small conference that explores the possibilities of utilizing DH methods within our community college teaching contexts

#### 2. Ann Murkowski – North Mathematics & Science (three quarters)

- Apply principles and lessons learned from teaching in an interdisciplinary program for biology majors, Atoms to Ecosystems, to our one quarter-biology course for non-majors (Biology 160)
- b. Write and submit at least one grant (NSF USE, S-STEM or similar)
- c. Write and submit at least one paper for publication

#### 3. Bryan Johns - Central Mathematics & Science (two quarters)

- a. Implement computer-based instruction versions of three Pre-Calculus STEM math courses
- b. Create full course version of an independent study topic previously offered at Central

#### 4. Laura McCracken - North Humanities & Social Sciences (one guarter)

- a. Research the most effective methods for teaching reading in college-level Composition
- b. Research in fields of Rhetoric and Composition and English Education
- c. Meet with English instructors at local community colleges, UW, and high schools
- d. Create annotated bibliography and document containing instructional materials

#### 5. Marian Lyles – Central humanities & Social Sciences (two quarters)

 Research and develop curriculum related to social media and other facets of technology, and the ways in which they have impacted personal and professional communication contexts

#### 6. Kayleen Oka – Central Humanities & Social Sciences (two quarters)

- a. Highlight the literature about best practices for online teaching/learning as it pertains to community colleges
- b. Identify 2-3 online teaching practices that SCC faculty articulate that enhance student learning and success
- c. Identify 2-3 practices that SCC students articulate that work best for them online
- d. Describe trends from data collection especially with regard to race, gender, income, first generation students, etc.

The Committee, Presidents, and I are most pleased with the high caliber of these proposals in demonstrating our faculty members' dedication to the pursuit of greater knowledge in their respective disciplines. We are confident the granting of these leaves will reinvigorate our faculty as they explore new and fresh perspectives, seek challenges that will push academic standards even higher, and cultivate a renewed desire to learn and teach. Thank you.

Submitted by,

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#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Seattle Colleges Board of Trustees

FROM:

Jill Wakefield, Chancellor

DATE:

March 10, 2016

**SUBJECT:** 

Chancellor's Report to the Board

#### A proclamation from Rep. Adam Smith

I was truly an honor to receive official notification of Congressman Adam Smith's one-minute speech to Congress acknowledging my career and retirement. Recognition for one-minute speeches in the House of Representatives is the prerogative of the speaker and takes place at the beginning of the legislative day. Representatives ask for unanimous consent to address the House. Congressman Smith's speech on my behalf is now part of the Congressional Record of the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress.

#### Consultant group to examine philanthropy efforts

At your request, I have initiated a study of our current philanthropic activities and organizational structure. To that end, I have hired The Giving Practice (TGP), the management-consulting arm of Philanthropy Northwest.

TGP is a full-service management consultancy. It offers highly customized solutions and support that span all aspects of philanthropic governance, strategy, organization, collaboration, and operations. More importantly, the agency has the wisdom and resources of a 170-plus-member organization to draw upon.

Updates on the Seattle Central president and chief human resources officer (CHRO) searches The Seattle Central president search has reached the semifinal stage. The search committee plans to bring in seven highly qualified candidates March 9–11. Dr. Bradley Lane, dean of Humanities and Social Sciences at Central, leads the committee.

The applicant pool for CHRO is also very strong, and the search committee—led by Vice Chancellor Kurt Buttleman—expects to bring in three to five candidates for a final round of

interviews. The candidates will meet with the college presidents, union leaders, and members of the Chancellor's Cabinet. They will also participate in an open forum at the district office.

#### Community Development Roundtable (CDRT) presentation

I had the honor of making a presentation about the future of Seattle Colleges and community colleges statewide to the CDRT.

The main theme of the presentation was how community colleges can help solve the growing inequities in our region. It also included an overview of the State Board of Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC), an in-depth view of our student profile, and recognition of some community college graduates who have become famous. I was very proud to introduce Sarah Ann Phillips, a South Seattle student, as one of our "soon-to-be-famous" graduates.

The CDRT—sponsored by the Greater Seattle Chamber of Commerce—is group of corporate and civic leaders who meet every Monday at the Washington Athletic Club to hear about important community issues and concerns. Board Chair Steve Hill, Interim Chief of Human Resources Charlie Earl, and higher-education leaders from the University of Washington, Antioch, and the SBCTC attended.

#### **SCCtv**

SCCtv has completed five promotional pieces for North Seattle College's Physical Education Department. The videos help promote its facilities, instructors, and array of class choices. SCCtv has also finished editing a video featuring South Seattle College's Bachelor of Science degree in hospitality. The video—sponsored by South Seattle College's International Program—recognizes Seattle as a top choice for students seeking instruction in hospitality management.



## MEMORANDUM

TO:

**Board of Trustees** 

FROM:

Mary Ellen O'Keeffe, Interim Vice Chancellor

DATE:

March 10, 2016

SUBJECT:

Vice Chancellor's Report - Information Only

#### **Advisor Site Visits**

In the beginning of February, Victor Kuo and I met with advising staff and faculty at North, Central and South to learn about the advising structures and practices at each college and to give an overview of Integrated Planning and Advising for Student Success (IPASS). The staff gave us important feedback on the technology tools, Advisor Dashboard and the Education Planning tool that will be used to upgrade the tools and increase their functionality.

#### **Instruction Commission**

I attended the quarterly SBCTC meeting on February 18-19, 2016. The Vice Presidents for Instruction voted to accept a new Direct Transfer Agreement (DTA) in Computer Science. The agreement has several provisos from the four year colleges and universities, each requiring their own courses.

### **Nursing Update**

I have met with nursing administration and faculty and the Dean of Nursing job description and the organizational chart are finalized. The job should be posted by March and full time tenured nursing faculty are being invited to join the search committee. We are in the beginning stages of creating the job description for the nursing administrators at each college who will report to the Dean of Nursing.

#### **Achieving the Dream Conference**

Victor Kuo and I attended the Achieving the Dream conference in Atlanta, GA on February 23-25, 2016. We were invited to attend the conference as a part of our IPASS grant. There were several workshops that focused on topics to help us implement our grant. Over two thousand community college employees attended the conference. Throughout the conference, presenters spoke of the importance of the Pathway work along with the IPASS work and that one will not be successful without the other.



# **Education Master Plan,**

Facilitators for each of the ten strategies met and have begun develop metrics for their areas.



February 25, 2016

AFT Seattle Report to Board of Trustees

For March 2016

Submitted by Annette Stofer, AFT Seattle President

Let me start with a thank you to the board for having two faculty members, Michael Taylor from Central campus and myself, serve on the search committee for our next chancellor. It was a positive experience with a group of people who were fully committed to a good outcome. I appreciated working with everyone in the committee and learned a lot. The announcement to the community about the finalists gave me a chance to review each one, and to feel positive about the work of the committee.

AFT Seattle continues our preparations for our first session of negotiations on Friday, March 4. The joint training that we did with the administrative bargaining team that was conducted by presenters from PERC was valuable on many levels. Our teams got to meet and get acquainted, learn about bargaining approaches, consider situations the illustrate how to approach a topic, and much more. Friday, March 4 will be a day to discuss ground rules and getting started. We know what a huge commitment this is for those who sit at the table. We look forward to giving our best effort to the process.

Efforts to further the Diversity MOU continue. Even before we solidify how to implement the specific goals, we see changes happening across the district. Next fall, it will be good to see the results of hiring for the tenure track positions that are being filled. We need to be giving the same kind of attention to the hiring of part-time faculty. We will support those efforts as we can. Certainly we can repeat the message to our members that diversity matters and we have to make a conscious effort to lead the change.

Over the last year or more, we have seen new projects and ideas that may not be covered by contractual language. We applaud the times when faculty are involved early in the discussions. We are concerned about the times when that doesn't happen. We also want to make sure that the faculty union leadership is informed as early as possible, as there may be contractual implications. There are currently discussions about the formation of a district-wide Nursing division, and we want to consider how it is different from the campus-based divisions that we have always worked with. I hope that we plan ahead rather than play clean up later.

# **North Seattle College**

Advancing Student Success • Excelling in Teaching and Learning • Building Community

Office of the President

TO:

**Board of Trustees** 

FROM:

Warren Brown, President

DATE:

March 10, 2016

SUBJECT:

President's Report - Information Only

#### **ADVANCING STUDENT SUCCESS**

#### North Top Pick for Major Library Building Remodel

A \$32 million proposal submitted by North Seattle College for a major renovation to its Library Building was ranked at the very top of all proposals submitted across the SBCTC system. The proposal will now go to the President's Capital Construction Committee and the President's Council (WACTC) before it is voted upon and sent to the state board for consideration at its May 4-5 meeting. At that meeting, the state board will decide which projects should be included in the system's 2017-19 capital budget request to the Washington state legislature. North submitted the proposal because it stood the greatest chance of receiving funding approval based on a scoring system the state uses to select recipients for these highly competitive funds. The Library Building was also identified in the college's 2015 facility condition survey as being the most in need of major improvements out of all of North's facilities.

#### **Veteran Lounge Opens**

North's Office of Veterans Services has recently opened a Veterans Lounge. Veterans are invited to the longue to relax, share with fellow vets and make use of the four computer workstations in a dedicated study area. North's Veteran navigator is also based in the lounge. The navigator is veteran/student who acts as a resource for information and referrals.

#### **MEGA Total Tuesday Event**

Total Tuesday, a partnership of Student Development Services and other departments across campus, keeps many offices open through 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday to better serve students. A new event, MEGA Total Tuesday, was held Feb. 23 to connect current and future students with campus services and science and technology programs at North. The event featured \$2 tacos, trivia and more. The Math and Science department, Veterans Services, Disability Services, Evening Services, OCE&E, Wellness Center and Women's Center participated, and Student Leadership had an open mic night to support the event. Advising held a START new student orientation, and the Grove provided food.

#### Research Day

Students in Fundamentals of Psychological Research collected data for their original research studies Feb. 25. The students worked all quarter on designing their research studies and were eager to gather participants. The five studies were approved by NSC's Human Subjects Review Committee.

#### Financial Aid Staff Assists at Local High Schools

North's financial aid staff assisted at nine events and helped approximately 300 families complete their financial aid applications on time at the recent College Goal WA event. The local high schools and community events were hosted by Shorewood, Shorecrest, Cleveland, Chief Sealth, Garfield, Franklin, West Seattle, and Ingram high schools, as well as the Lake City Library.

#### **EXCELLING IN TEACHING AND LEARNING**

#### **Progress Report on Upcoming Accreditation Visit**

On April 18-20, North Seattle College will host a team of eight evaluators who will conduct an accreditation site visit on behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. Prior to their visit, the evaluators will have read the college's comprehensive Year Seven Self-Study Report—a year in the making—in which the college reflects on and assesses how well it has done to achieve the objectives and benchmarks for each of its core themes. Evaluators will talk with faculty, staff, administrators and students not only about their experiences, but also about what has been learned from those experiences that has led or is leading to future improvements. The evaluators are community college educators from seven different community colleges in Idaho, Montana, Nevada and Oregon. The evaluators have initially requested to meet with the Seattle Colleges Board of Trustees, and President Brown will help draw the connection between the district's strategic plan and North's strategic plan. The report prepared by the evaluation team will be reviewed by the commission at its July 2016 meeting. The commission will then make decisions regarding commendations and any possible recommendations. The final report can be found on the North Seattle College accreditation web share: http://webshares.northseattle.edu/accred-docs/

#### Students Deliver Message to State Legislators

On Jan. 26, North's student leaders participated in the CTC Legislative Advocacy and Programming Day in Olympia. Over the course of several weeks, with the support and guidance of staff member Julius Rodriguez, student Faline Jett worked with her Research and Advocacy Board in preparing them to deliver an important message of support to legislators about a bill that would make the first two years of college free. The students' hard work and preparation paid off, allowing them to convincingly convey the importance of K-14 funding/Washington Promise/HB2820 (free college tuition). President Warren Brown supported the students, and HB2820, by testifying alongside them in Olympia.

#### February Faculty Salon Welcomes Math Instructors

Edgar Jasso and Barbara Goldner, North faculty in the Mathematics Department, discussed their collaborative development of a new Open Access math textbook at the second Winter Quarter Faculty Salon Feb. 25.

#### **BUILDING COMMUNITY**

#### Cynthia Riche Chosen as New IT Director

Cynthia Riche, who most recently served as the deputy chief information officer at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, has been offered and accepted the IT director position at North. Her first day at North will be at the start of Spring Quarter on April 4. Cynthia has 25 years of experience in the IT field, including at the University of Washington where she served as the director of IT for the School of Social Work. In her eight years at the University of Puget Sound, Cynthia earned steady promotions. She most recently managed a team of 17 full-time staff, several consultants and 40-plus part-time students who were responsible for all desktop computing, educational technology, print and copy services, and media-related services campus-wide.

#### Screening Committee Formed for VPSS Search

Vice President Marci Myer has announced her retirement effective the end of this academic year. Over the next several months, the VPSS screening committee will be working toward bringing finalists to campus. A diverse committee (including strong representation by the Student Services staff) has been formed, chaired by Executive Director for Advancement/Ed Fund Traci Russell. The campus community will have an opportunity to meet the final candidates during a community Q&A session and encouraged to provide feedback directly to President Brown. The college is committed to an inclusive process.

#### LGBTQIA Task Force Created

The Executive Team has asked Pam Racansky, director of Diversity and Inclusion, to chair a new Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex & Ally (LGBTQIA) Taskforce to address the following areas: campus climate—possible employee and student climate survey; all-gender bathrooms on campus—awareness of current laws/regulations/legislation and how these designations will affect North's facilities; and review of current North and district student data on gender identity/gender expression/sexual orientation—to clarify why this information is collected and determine how these data will be used to strengthen North's campus climate. The college seeks to elicit a diverse team to begin this important discussion.

#### **Black History Month Commemorated on Campus**

North Seattle College celebrated Black History Month with a film series, conversations about diversity and community and numerous lectures. The schedule included "Dialogues on Diversity," a comedic interactive theater performance discussing race in America; two films, a lecture and Q&A with author Aaron Dixon, former Black Panther; "Creating a Movement," a community reception featuring Dixon and prominent members of the Seattle African-American community; and "206 Hip-Hop" with guest lecturer Dr. Abe speaking about how Seattle's Black history informed Seattle hip hop.

#### **New NSC Art Gallery Showing**

"Multi," an exhibition of cast objects, is the newest show at the North Seattle Art Gallery. Running Feb. 17 through March 18, "Multi" explores the subject of abstraction through the lens of multiplicity.

#### Winter Collaboration Day - Slavery by Another Name

At the Feb. 4 Collaboration Day, the Diversity Inclusion Facilitation team—including librarian Zola Mumford and "The New Jim Crow" book read discussion leader/English faculty member Casandra Lopez—showed segments from a documentary film from the "Created Equal Film and Discussion Program Series" received through a grant awarded to Zola Mumford. The film, "Slavery by Another Name," investigates African Americans and prison labor, chain gangs, etc., in the rural South.

#### Day of Remembrance Proclamation

On Feb. 19, the North Seattle College Day of Remembrance Planning Committee formally proclaimed "that we recognize on this 'Day of Remembrance' the injustice of the Japanese American incarceration and call on all members of our community to stand with those facing prejudice, discrimination, and calls for governmental actions threatening their rights, liberties and safety." In addition to the proclamation, the college had a table display in the campus Grove for students and employees to visit.

#### **OCE&E** Warm Clothing Drive

The 2015 Warm Clothing Drive at OCE&E was a big success. The Division of Child Support delivered nine bags of blankets, coats, mittens, scarves, socks and other warm clothes to Mary's Place, Bread of Life Mission and the Treehouse (serving foster care children). The OCE&E also successfully sponsored its first bake sale, as a fundraiser for future building activities.

#### Jury Selected for Next Campus Mural

Once again, North is calling for entries for the design of a mural to be painted on campus, and a jury has been selected to judge entries. The proposed mural will wrap around a concrete corner and include two walls: one 23 feet in length, the other 18 feet in length, with a height of eight feet. Artists are being encouraged to address the potential expansion in their entries with a design that is fluid, organic, and abstract enough to allow for additional imagery.





Office of the President

To:

**Board of Trustees** 

From:

Sheila Edwards Lange, Ph.D., Interim President

Date:

March 10, 2016

Subject:

President's Report - Information Only

#### **RESPONSIVE TEACHING AND LEARNING**

#### English instructor gives talk about veterans' invisible wounds

Last month, English instructor Jeb Wyman gave a presentation at Seattle's Town Hall about his experience working with veterans. The event was a precursor to his upcoming book, "What They Signed Up For," which features stories of soldiers who are coping with the trauma of war. His experience teaching combat veterans at Seattle Central inspired him to apply for a sabbatical to conduct research about PTSD and interview student veterans around the region. In addition to the book, he is also working to integrate his findings into his classes. Wyman is developing a writing curriculum for veterans that will encourage them to share their stories to help them process their emotions.

#### Faculty train to help students understand academic material

The ability to process increasingly complex academic material and tasks is an important skill for students at all levels. To help students strengthen their comprehension skills, the Reading Apprenticeship model encourages instructors to explicitly demonstrate reading strategies with students. According to this approach, students learn better when they work with individuals who provide support for the parts of a task that they cannot yet do alone. Last month, 40 instructors from a variety of disciplines attended a workshop led by a national Reading Apprenticeship trainer to learn how to apply the model in their classrooms. The training was brought to campus at the request of faculty who participated in a Communities of Learning, Inquiry and Practice (CLIP) project about the model two years ago.

#### CATALYST FOR OPPORTUNITIES AND SUCCESS

#### **New Vice President of Student Services named**

In February, Seattle Central announced the hiring of Yoshiko Harden as its new Vice President of Student Services after an extensive search process. Since 2012, she has served as the Vice President for Diversity/Chief Diversity Officer at Bellevue College, where she provides leadership in the development and implementation of college-wide initiatives that integrate diversity and equity. Previously, Harden was Director of Multicultural Services and Student Development at Highline College. In all, she has 14 years of experience as a practitioner and educator with extensive skills in student services, administration and equity.

Harden earned a Bachelor of Arts in Communications and Women's Studies from the University of California, San Diego, and a Master of Education in Student Development Administration from Seattle University. She is currently enrolled in Northeastern University's Doctor of Education program in Higher Education Administration. Her tenure begins on March 28.

#### Wood Technology Center invites high school students to "try a trade"

As part of a District initiative to promote career and technical programs among current high school students, Seattle Central collaborated with Seattle Public Schools to host a "try-a-trade" event at the Wood Technology Center (WTC). Earlier this month, over 100 students visited the Wood Technology Center to meet with instructors, listen to a panel of students and learn more about career opportunities in carpentry.

#### Science Olympiad draws hundreds of talented students to campus

Seattle Central served as host again this year for a regional science competition called the Science Olympiad. The event drew hundreds of high school students from 34 Seattle-area middle and high schools, who competed in categories such as hydrology, bridge building, electric vehicles, wind power, forensics and anatomy. The event's purpose is to promote STEM (Science, Technology, Education and Math) education and cultivate community awareness of programs available to local students.

#### **DIVERSITY IN ACTION**

#### Humanities faculty receive grants to create coordinated studies program on East Asia

Two faculty members in the Humanities and Social Sciences Division earned \$4,000 grants from the University of Washington's Asian Studies Development Program. Over the next two years, Art History instructor Melanie King and History instructor Tracy Lai will research course material and participate in training opportunities in order to develop more classes on East Asian studies for Seattle Central students. They are also exploring available funding options for travel to the region for research and documentation of historic sites related to course material. Once completed, they hope this curriculum will broaden students' perspective of East Asian history, individuals and culture, and help them better understand their own regional culture, which is shaped by East Asia's influence. The new program will be taught as a Coordinated Studies Program course, and is scheduled to launch in winter of 2018.

#### First Secretary of the Cuban Embassy speaks on U.S.-Cuban relations

Earlier this month, Miguel Fraga, the First Secretary of the newly-established Cuban Embassy to the United States in Washington, D.C., visited campus to speak to students, faculty and staff about the future of U.S.-Cuba relations. Seattle Central was one stop on his visit to Seattle to address students at local universities in addition to local leaders.

#### College signs agreement to host South Korean students

Seattle Central has forged a partnership with a South Korean university and a local nonprofit to host students studying Chemical Dependency. A cohort of students from Sahmyook University have started taking a series of courses in the Applied Behavioral Science Division that are required to pass an international licensing exam. While in Seattle, the students will complete a hands-on practicum with Therapeutic Health Services, a regional rehabilitation provider that focuses on substance dependence and mental illness, to gain real-world skills. The partnership helps the South Korean government expand addiction education in the country, and it bolster's Seattle Central's effort to cultivate a globally diverse campus community.

#### Campus vigil marks Japanese internment

Staff, students and instructors participated in a Day of Remembrance event last month to honor the anniversary of the 1942 Executive Order that resulted in the internment of over 100,000 Japanese-Americans in camps during World War II. Student Leadership provided funding for materials and volunteer support for the candlelight vigil held at the newly-restored Tsutakawa Fountain. Students in Japanese classes volunteered to read the names of the over 200 students of Japanese descent who were forced to leave Broadway High School, which later became Seattle Central College, in the spring of 1942.

#### **COMMUNITIES ENGAGEMENT**

#### SVI connects community with career training opportunities

Two recent initiatives connected prospective students with career training opportunities at SVI. In late January, SVI held its second "Opportunity Week" session (the first was held this past summer), which featured a community resource fair to help attendees learn about support services available at the institute. In February, SVI also hosted a "New Career in One Year" open house that invited students and community members to learn

more about each of SVI's short-term training programs. Current students demonstrated their skills by conducting blood pressure, oral health and nutrition checks. Cosmetology students also provided hand wax, massage and hair style demonstrations. Local leaders such as King County Council Chair Larry Gossett and Seattle City Councilmember Bruce Harrell attended the event.

#### College works with local non-profit to improve campus safety

Seattle Central will soon begin working with the Seattle Neighborhood Group to create proactive crime reduction strategies. The effort has several goals: minimize opportunities for crime, reduce the fear of crime, and heighten safety and security awareness among students, faculty and staff. To accomplish this work, Seattle Neighborhood Group will survey students and faculty and conduct a Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) study of the campus and surrounding areas. Additional work will include crime prevention educational presentations and data gathering and analysis of crime trends. Seattle Neighborhood Group is a non-profit organization that has a 25-year history of working to make Seattle and its neighborhoods safer.

#### Wood Technology Center hosts summit for tiny house builders

Last month, Seattle Central's Wood Technology Center (WTC) hosted a group of approximately 100 stakeholders that were involved in the recently completed Central District Tiny House Village project. The village now houses about 30 homeless individuals in a cluster of houses built by several area volunteer organizations, including the WTC and Seattle Vocational Institute's PACT program. Seattle Central instructors and a student led a discussion about the design and materials used, and Interim President Sheila Edwards Lange addressed the group to reiterate the college's continued excitement about participating in future community building projects.

#### Campus art gallery features photographs taken by at-risk youth

The M. Rosetta Hunter Art Gallery is featuring the photography of at-risk teens for an exhibit called That One Day. The high school students are participating in a photography class sponsored by Youth in Focus, a local non-profit that uses photography as a medium to help at-risk youth explore their artistic vision and expand their self-expression. The program encourages young photographers to draw upon their experiences, cultures and communities to document their unique perspectives.

#### Campus welcomes new light rail, street car transit options

Seattle Central students, faculty and staff have new options to commute to and from Seattle Central with the opening of a light rail station and the addition of streetcar service. Last month, the First Hill Streetcar finished testing and started carrying passengers for the first time. The route begins in the International District and ends at the north end of Seattle Central's campus. Even more momentous is a new light rail station that is set to open later this month. The line, called the U-Link, will connect Capitol Hill and the University of Washington to downtown and points south along the existing light rail line. The station is located at the northern end of campus.

To mark the station opening, scheduled for Saturday, March 19, Seattle Central will staff an information booth at a community-wide celebration. Seattle Central has also purchased advertising in the new station to reinforce the link between the college and the Capitol Hill neighborhood, and communicate the college's value to new riders.

#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Board of Trustees

FROM:

Gary Oertli, President

DATE:

March 10, 2016

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S REPORT - INFORMATION ONLY

## South Speaks Before Higher Education Committee

The Washington State House of Representatives' Higher Education Committee held a hearing on February 3 to learn more about the *Washington Promise* proposal put forth by Senators Pramila Jayapal and David Frockt that would offer state residents two years of free community college. To gain an understanding of the impact of such a program, South Seattle College Foundation Board Member Ed Parks and 13<sup>th</sup> Year Promise Scholar Monica Elenes were invited to speak about our college's 13<sup>th</sup> Year Promise Scholarship, which provides one year of tuition-free education to graduating seniors from three area high schools. Ed explained the innerworkings of the scholarship program while Monica discussed how it made college possible in her life. Their testimony was well-received by the committee, and we are pleased to support the idea of expanding access to higher education to as many Washingtonians as possible.

#### Governor Inslee Joins South in Recognizing WorkStart Impact

South's Dean of Professional Technical and Workforce Education Veronica Wade joined Governor Jay Inslee and CEO Marlena Sessions from the Seattle-King County Workforce Development Council (WDC) at Jorgensen Forge in Tukwila on January 26. They celebrated the impact of public-private partnerships in providing job-ready training, using the example of South Seattle College, WDC and Jorgensen working together to develop a WorkStart curriculum that provided training to 51 employees at the Forge. WorkStart is a fully-customizable workforce training program led by the Washington State Department of Commerce.

#### President's Forum an Opportunity for Diverse Conversation

I held the second of three winter quarter President's Forums on February 16, and we had a strong showing of staff and faculty join to discuss a number of topics, ranging from student completion pathways and the development of a "South 101" class for all freshman to budget, construction and hiring updates.

#### International Programs Discussed at President's Advisory Council Breakfast

Our President's Advisory Council, consisting of community members from South's service area, came to campus on February 18 for a breakfast meeting to learn more about our international programs and Center for International Education. Meeting with the Council is an important way for us to stay connected with our community and better respond to their needs and interests – critical elements of South's *Community Engagement and Partnership* core theme.

#### College-wide Meeting Covers Completion Pathways and Budget Update

We held a college-wide meeting on March 9 to provide updates on South 2017 – our homegrown initiative to improve student completion rates – and the American Association of Community Colleges' Pathways Project – a national initiative where we tackle the same completion task alongside 30 other community colleges. The meeting also acted as our fiscal year 2016-17 budget kick-off, where we provided context for the budget development process and shared the timeline for everyone to provide feedback along the way.

#### Biella Foundation Makes Exceptional Gift to South, Other State Community Colleges

Kirkland-based Biella Foundation has supported many important causes since their inception in 1982, ranging from disaster and emergency management to education. Since 2010, Biella has generously supported the South Seattle College Foundation, and through that experience became inspired by the role of Washington's community and technical colleges in providing an affordable, accessible education to all Washingtonians. That inspiration led to an exceptional gift from Biella: a \$340,000 donation dispersed to all 34 community colleges in Washington. Each college, including South, will receive \$10,000 in the form of scholarships that can be granted to any student in any program.

#### **Boeing Engine Donation Celebrated at South**

South's Aviation Maintenance Technology (AMT) program has long been a source of workforce talent for The Boeing Company, and they recently donated a Pratt & Whitney 777 engine to our college that will expand our students' learning opportunities with this exciting new technology. We held a celebration on February 29 to show Boeing officials our thanks and give a salute to all AMT graduates, current students, staff and supporting partners. Following the celebration and a tour of our facilities, the festivities moved to South's Northwest Wine Academy for a wine tasting. Boeing has shown our college and aviation programs great support over the decades, and this engine will benefit the quality of education we are able to provide for many more to come.

#### Just in Time for Valentine's Day, Pastry and Wine Programs Highlighted on King 5 News

In the lead-up to Valentine's Day, South's Pastry and Baking Arts and Northwest Wine Academy students and faculty were invited to King 5 News to tape a segment highlighting their chocolate and wine creations that pair perfectly with the holiday. The daytime segment was a chance for our students to share their impressive creations, and for the college to gain exposure for these strong programs.

#### **NISOD Award Winners Announced**

With the arrival of February each year, I have the honor of announcing South's National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) Award winners. For 2015-16, ESL Instructor Arleen Williams and Aviation Instructor Anton Amartunge are our winners, selected by their peers for their demonstrated commitment to professional development as teachers, commitment to South in length and quality of service, and a record of exemplary activity in support of our institution's missions and goals.

#### Big Turnout at College Goal Washington Event

On February 3, South hosted a *College Goal Washington* event to connect current students and community members with free expert help on tax preparation and completing the FAFSA and WASFA financial aid applications. The event is held at community colleges throughout the state, and our student services team worked alongside the Washington Student Achievement Council to make it happen. South takes its role of expanding college access to our community seriously, and events like this are a great way to provide that support. We helped 112 students and families with financial aid applications and tax filing in that single day.

#### February Flush with Great Campus Events

Students, staff and faculty had several opportunities for personal development and learning throughout the month of February. Event highlights included our annual Day of Remembrance discussion on February 18 (to honor those of Japanese ancestry who endured internment in 1942), an African American Women's Suffrage Workshop on February 17 (to explore the 15<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> amendments and identify contributions made by women of color in the suffrage movement), and a Lunar New Year Festival hosted by the student-led Southeast Asian Association.

Student Administrative Council

#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

**Board of Trustees** 

Seattle Community College District

FROM:

Sarah E. Baker

Student Administrative Council Chair

North Seattle College

DATE:

March 10, 2016

SUBJECT:

STUDENT ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL BOARD REPORT -Information Only

- Black History Month Former Black Panther Party captain Aaron Dixon came to host two
  discussions on campus on Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. 40 people were in attendance at the morning
  session, followed by a longer afternoon workshop in which campus and local community
  members attended. Aaron shared about his experiences within the civil rights movement as a
  young man in Seattle and how we can react in the current social climate to racial injustices.
- LGBTQ Task Force Five employees of Student Leadership and Multicultural Programs (3 staff members and 2 student leaders), have joined the NSC LGBTQ task force. Partnering with individuals from across the campus community, the task force's aim is to help provide support to the LGBTQ community through various combined efforts. These range from educational sessions on all gender restrooms, open forums for the campus, and surveys that will go out to students, staff and faculty. The hope is that through this work, the task force will be able to help North become a more diverse and inclusive environment for all people.
- Day of Remembrance (DoR) February 19th, 2016 marked the 74th annual Japanese American Day of Remembrance. A table with historical photos and information was placed in the Grove, a main gathering area for students, as well as a proclamation from the DoR planning committee which went out to our three college campuses. This proclamation brought forward the connections we are presently seeing between what happened to 120,000 Japanese Americans during World War II and what is occurring now to other minority groups such as blacks and Muslims.
- UTF Requests Universal Technology Fund Requests are currently being processed and are pending acceptance. Final decisions and announcements should be made within the next month.
- Testimonials The Research and Advocacy Board (RAB) has been hard at work in support of the College Promise Campaign. Most recently they have submitted personal video testimonials which will go to the Higher Education Committee of Washington State.

#### Associated Student Council Memorandum

TO:

**Board of Trustees** 

**Seattle Colleges District** 

FROM:

**Nickey Mitchell** 

**Executive of Administration** 

**Seattle Central Associated Student Council** 

DATE:

03/10/2016

**SUBJECT** 

**Associated Student Council Report – Information Only** 

#### February 26th: Closing Deadline on QIA & SOC

February 26<sup>th</sup> was the deadline for Seattle Central students to register for the Queer I Am conference in Olympia (March 25-26) and the Students of Color conference in Yakima (April 21-23). Student funds support participation of our students and advisors at these annual events.

#### February 26th: Soccer Tournament

Keeping with the fashion of competition, Seattle Central again held a tournament to decide the greats, this time in the sport of soccer. It took place in the Mitchell Activity Center.

#### February 25<sup>th</sup>: Archery Day

Students were invited to take part in an archery fun day at the Mitchell Activity Center.

#### February 25th: "Talk About It Race" Forum

Race is one of the first ways we categorize someone when we meet them and one of the main things we notice, but how much do we know about race? Is it biological or political? The College Activities Board sponsored speakers and discussions throughout the day, including Dustin Washington of the American Friends Service Committee and Youth Undoing Racism, Dr. Pat Russel of Seattle Central's Social and Human Services Program, Dr. Gary Perry of Seattle University, and a performance by LoveCityLove!

#### February 23<sup>rd</sup>: Strategic Planning Listening Session for Students

Every five years, the college reviews our priorities and revises our strategic plan and. Students were invited to come and speak their mind, helping Seattle Central Administration to hear the student body's voices, concerns and issues. The session was facilitated by Seattle Central's Student Involvement Coordinator, Julia Ismael.

#### February 23rd: League of Legends Tournament

On February 23<sup>rd</sup>, students created teams and had a tournament of the massively popular PC game League of Legends at Gameworks in downtown Seattle. This is the first event of its kind and many showed up. The winning team took home \$100 as the top prize.

#### February 22<sup>nd</sup>: Chinese Lantern Festival

The Chinese language class, in partnership with the Mandarin Club (which I (Nickey Mitchell) am president of) hosted a student celebration of the first major event of the Chinese Lunar New Year. The Chinese Lantern Festival is the first major feast in the Chinese calendar. Students watched videos of the beautiful lanterns that are hoisted in China and even made a fun one themselves. Students also made traditional Chinese dishes on campus. The Mandarin Club sold pork and beef dumplings to raise money for the club.

#### February 15th: Lunar New Year @ Seattle Central

In honor of Chinese New Year, many clubs including Mandarin Club, Taiwanese Student Association, Vietnamese Student Association, and others in BE1110 held a kickoff event to celebrate the New Year. There was lots of food, lots of games, and lots of students from all backgrounds celebrating in the festivities. We even had a Dragon Dance ceremony!

#### February 9th: Ratification of the SCC&PE Committee

In accordance with it being an election year and the importance of that, I (Nickey Mitchell) created, will chair, the Seattle Central Caucus & Presidential Election Committee which was ratified by the Associated Student Council. This committee serves to create a more informed and more involved student body in the election process. Its main goals are getting students registered to vote, informing them about the candidates and parties, encouraging caucus participation /primary voting and hopefully inspiring them to vote come November as well. This committee realizes that politics are important and more students need to be involved. The committee's main goal is creating a future generation of involved students in their community and political ecosystem.

## February 3rd: Barnes & Noble Bookstore Contract Discussion

In light of the Barnes and Noble contract expiring soon, the Seattle Colleges District hosted at Siegal Center an open discussion on the current bookstore contract, possible alternatives and a general discussion on what student governments and students at large think about their bookstores. The event was chaired by Vice Chancellor Kurt Buttleman of the Seattle Colleges District. All campuses were represented. I presented the results of a student survey taken by the Seattle Central College Associated Student Council and the data proved to be very helpful. Overall it was a very productive discussion.

#### --End of Report

# SOUTH SEATTLE COLLEGE

United Student Association

#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

Board of Trustees

Seattle Colleges

FROM:

Ryan Lonergan

President, United Student Association

South Seattle College

DATE:

March 10, 2016

**SUBJECT:** 

United Student Association (USA) REPORT – INFORMATION ONLY

#### TRIO PROGRAMMING

Since Spring quarter of 2015, South's TRiO program has been conducting a series of workshops entitled "Fun Fact Fridays" to further help students in their program to be successful. With topics ranging from classroom etiquette to transitioning to the next step of their college education, students are supplied with knowledge that is not usually taught explicitly to them. The current theme of their program is making the most of their money and the bi-monthly event is well received with a range of 20 to 30 students in attendance. Several of our current student government leaders are TRiO members.

#### MENTAL HEALTH IN THE AAPI COMMUNITY-January 13th, 20th and 27th

Led by Jena Yang, a staff member at South and an E3! program ambassador, the AANAPISI Center and a group of student leaders hosted a series of events focusing on mental health issues in the Asian American and Pacific Islander communities. Students were able to learn how various mental health issues may affect them or others in society, but more importantly how to attain help through a luncheon, panel and self-care fair. All three events were over-capacity and were great successes in reaching their goals of destignatizing the process of receiving aid for mental health and providing knowledge of the subject as well.

#### **MEETING WITH THE TRUTH INITIATIVE - February 4th**

On February 4th, South's student government was given the opportunity to meet with two representatives from the Truth Initiative, an anti-smoking non-profit organization based in Washington DC. As our student government aims to eventually become a tobacco-free campus, the representatives were able to provide a wealth of information to achieve this goal. They provide strategies to aid students with smoking cessation and even opportunities to apply for a \$10,000 grant to help pay for expenses to make this change, such as creating signage and hiring student ambassadors to enforce smoking policies. Correspondence with the organization has continued as the student government has made a great ally in achieving this goal.

#### OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES REPORT AT FACULTY SENATE MEETING— February 4th

Amelia Nguyen, USA's Issue and Concerns Officer, created a presentation about the textbook forum she recently hosted and presented it to the Faculty Senate. She provided them with a summary of the information that was presented by panelists at the event and the results of a student survey as well. Presenting at this meeting was the first step of her project of ultimately providing instructors with a convincing argument to adopt Open Educational Resources (OER) in order to provide a more affordable option than traditional textbooks for students.

#### LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION-February 10th

With over 350 students in attendance, South's annual Lunar New Year celebration was hosted by the Southeast Asian Association and Chinese Student Association. Partnering with other clubs and centers on campus in addition to a group of South Korean students visiting from their college, the event grew in scale from the previous year as a lion dance and six performances were included. Overall, the event was able to help celebrate the diverse student population at South by providing a chance for students from different ethnic backgrounds to share and celebrate their culture with their peers.