



**Association of Florida Colleges
Agenda Item 6.1 – Region I Report**

May 2019

Submitted by Evelyn Ward

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FREE Conference (Vendors!) 58 Attended. 6 Colleges Represented.
7 Breakout Sessions. Legislative Update. Major Door prizes ... and a good time was had by all!





Chapter News:

Chipola College – submitted by Chapter President, Evelyn Ward

Spring is basketball season which means concession stands at Chipola! Over \$8000 was raised this year for scholarships for the children of Chipola College AFC members.

Chipola hosted the #Rise as One Joint Conference on Friday, April 19. We had a great turnout and positive comments from all who attended. Matt White conducted a breakout session, *Technology in Leadership*, Dr. Bryan Craven conducted a breakout session, *How to Succeed in PR Without Really Trying*.

AFC made goodie bags for the Girls Basketball Team, Softball Team and the Baseball Team (upcoming) for their trips to their respective state tournaments.

AFC hosted the End-of-Year Cookout for Chipola employees and returning retirees on May 1. In conjunction with the cookout a Food Drive was held for the Chipola Family Ministries.

New officers take office in July. All members of the current Board have elected to stay on another term.

Gulf Coast State College – submitted by Chapter President, Chris Thomes

This has definitely been a year to remember, and one we're looking forward to moving past. You've probably heard updates about the college and community over the last 6 months since the storm, but here are a few that you might not know:

- All 28 buildings on the main campus received damage, and the cost has reached \$50 million, and that's not including contents.
- *More than 160,000 ceiling tiles have been replaced, and more than 17,000 sheets of drywall have been installed.*
- Its projected that the majority of repairs will be complete by the end of summer.
- Our temporary pantry is still receiving donations of food, cleaning supplies, personal hygiene products, pet food & supplies, diapers and infant-related supplies, and more. "Michael's Pantry" will turn into a permanent food pantry over the summer to continue helping students with food insecurity. Thank you to all the colleges, chapters and AFC Tallahassee for the truckloads of donations!
- Gulf Coast AFC members received extra emergency funding, thanks to the generosity of Northwest Florida State College, and their donation of \$1,500. Funds were also taken from our chapter's fundraising account and a total of 7 AFC members received \$300 each in March --- this was above and beyond the AFC Tallahassee emergency funds.

In other AFC-related updates ---- the slate of new officers is in process with most positions filled already; elections will take place next week.

In December, our members, along with the Professional Employee Council, stuffed and delivered 500 stockings to Bozeman Elementary School, which is one of several Title I schools in our service district. Children in kindergarten through 2nd grade all received stockings filled with goodies and toys during their "Breakfast with Santa" event.

Two fundraisers have been set:

One is our 50/50 raffle at our employee end of year luncheon next Friday

The other is our flower and teddy bear sale for graduation on May 3

Northwest Florida State College – submitted by Chapter President, Pam Walters

- January 25, 2019. General Membership Meeting with AFC CEO Michael Brawer. Mr. Brawer gave an update on legislative issues. A plea for concession stand help was issued as we have a few more games through February.
- February 2019. Raider Recognition Award to Karyn Cooper, Student Success Navigator. She was nominated by coworker Alex Webb who said: Karyn is such an amazing person and coworker. She has been my go to person since I began my original position as the Recruitment Coordinator. Karyn is always willing to help where she is needed, she stays late if complete work, she has dealt with major changes with nothing but grace in the past year or so. I truly believe she is the epitome of a perfect employee and coworker. No one deserves the recognition more than she does.
- March 14, 2019. AFC Provided Snacks to NWFSC Basketball teams headed to Nationals.
- April 2019. Raider Recognition Award to Mary Beth Mizell, Student Success Navigator. Mary Beth is a cherished coworker in Student Success. She always goes above and beyond for both students and colleagues.

- April 8, 2019. AFC's Sonja Quinn won the People's Choice Award for her entry in the Edible Book Contest. Her entry was "Dune."

Future Plans:

New Scholarship is being developed for Terry Comeau. She has been a member of AFC here at NWFSC since the charter group of FACC members were first started here at Okaloosa Walton Junior College. She garnered many awards from her graphics contributions over the years as well as single-handedly running our basketball concessions for many years. She is still working on campus and we are very excited to honor her with a student scholarship in her name.

General Membership Meeting planned for April 25th. We will be trying to fill the slate of officers for the upcoming year. ☺

Pensacola State College – submitted by Chapter President, Michael Listau

March

- March 1st – March 15th Community Service Project- Reading Pals Donation Drive- Completed
- March 12th, 2019 Refreshments at Board of Trustees meeting - Completed

April

- April 1st – April 19th Community Service Project Lions Club - Completed
- April 3rd 11:30am to 12:30pm AFC Sponsored "Lunch & Learn" Professional Development Met Life-Completed
- April 5th Teen Challenge Community Service Project- Completed

May

- May 5th AFC Graduation Flower Sale
- Date TBA Membership/Legislative Representative Meeting
- May 21st, 2019 Refreshments at Board of Trustees meeting

June

- June 18th, 2019 Refreshments at Board of Trustees meeting

Approved AFC Donations:

- AFC United Way Campaign Contribution- Completed
- AFC Sponsored Scholarship \$250.00 to foundation- Completed
- AFC Donation to Student Veterans Cook Out in celebration of Military Appreciation Month

AFC Region and Commission Meetings:

- March 28 & 29, Region 5 Miami Dade College – Commissions: CPEC, EDI, IEPPD & Tech.
- April 12, Region 3, College of Central Florida
- April 19th, Region 1, Chipola College- Commissions: (Tentative – CMC)
- April 19th, Region 2, Florida College at Jacksonville
- April 26th, Region 4, State College of Florida – Commissions: LRC & WACE
- May 14 – May 16, Student Development Commission, College of Central Florida

Tallahassee Community College – submitted by Chapter President, Gregory Williams

The TCC Chapter has hit the ground running and has taken on a lot of community service project and gaining members.

January

The TCC Chapter transitioned to our new officers as follows:

Mr. Gregory Williams, President
Mr. Kermit Harrison, President Elect
Mrs. Sharon Walker, Past President
Mrs. Rita Dickey, Secretary
Ms. Melissa Hyden, Treasurer
Mr. Jessie Clayton, Membership Chair
Mrs. Summer Dusek, Advisor

Our chapter also assisted in the 2019 TCC African American History Calendar Unveiling and Luncheon. We also sent 5 members to the Leadership Conference.

February

The TCC Chapter sent 1 member to Legislative Days

Our chapter had AFC Spirit Day event when we played Gulf Coast and we donated over \$2500.00 worth of supplies and paper goods to Gulf Coast.

March

The TCC Chapter held our first Annual AFC Informational Day to showcase why AFC is important to the Executive and Leadership Team at the college. We had different member speak about their experiences at the AFC conferences. We also gave out awards for our Vice President of the Year, Dean of the Year and we also recognized Mrs. Sharon Walker our outgoing Chapter President.

Our Chapter sent 2 members to the Region V/CPEC Conference in Miami. We had one member present at this conference.

April

Our chapter sent 4 members to the AFC Teaching and Learning Conference.

Our chapter sent 18 members to the Region I conference at Chipola College in Marianna. We had two members present at the conference

To date the TCC Chapter has signed up 25 new members. We have also added a monthly service project on the first Friday of each month we serve lunch at the Kearney Center (Homeless Shelter) in Tallahassee. We also have a team in the North Leon Relay for life which will be Friday, May 10, 2019 @ Chiles High School.