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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Thank you to St. Petersburg College for hosting the Spring Conference 2016. Jackie Skryd, Executive Director of Grants Development and her team produced an outstanding conference for the FCRD members. The FCRD Spring Conference had a great turnout, where nearly 100 attended and 25 colleges were represented.

The highlights of the Spring Conference included a panel discussion with the grant departments on the practice of Uniform Grant Guidance that effect the colleges and best practices for managing pre and post awards. The foundation departments enjoyed sessions about getting the best out of your board, board retention, identifying high value board members and best practices in alumni strategies.

Special recognition goes out to all of you who donated clothing and funding to Melrose Elementary School for our first ever Philanthropic Initiative. We helped collect over \$300 in cash and gift cards and \$1,000 in valued items. AMAZING!

Thanks to all the sponsors who generously gave their time, talent and treasure to FCRD members:

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Also, thanks to Monica Rodriguez, Grant Associate at Miami Dade College for posting on FCRD's Facebook page and creating FCRD's new website www.FCRD.wordpress.com. Conference presentations and other resources will be made available on the site.

Best Regards,
Maureen Capp
FCRD Board Chair

Events & Highlights

Broward College

The Broward College Foundation's **Board of Directors** confirmed two new members during its annual meeting on Thursday, February 25: Shane Strum (pictured left) and Richard A. Suss (pictured right).

Strum is Senior Vice President of Memorial Healthcare System, leading their strategic planning, market and corporate communications, and government relations efforts. He earned his bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Alabama and his master's degree in business administration from Nova Southeastern University. **Suss** serves as executive director for UBS Wealth Management in Miami, overseeing business units that produce more than \$30 million in revenues from investment management, financial and estate planning, banking, lending, and insurance. He graduated from the University of Florida's Warrington College of Business with a concentration in finance and real estate, and he was elected into the Florida Blue Key Honor Society.



The biggest news during the annual meeting was a campaign update: In the years 2010, 2011, 2012, educational-related, philanthropic revenue was \$6,330,385. In the years 2013, 2014, 2015, it was \$15,890,765 – **an increase of 151 percent**.



Beginning in October 2015, Broward College shifted its focus of the **American Dream Scholarship** to be awarded to students from the tri-county area who are 75% of the way toward earning a degree that will help lead to work in high-demand jobs in the local community, while working full- or part-time and maintaining at least a 2.5 grade point average. The goal is to assist 600 students. Named

scholarships can be established with a minimum gift of \$2,500, of which \$2,000 will go toward a qualifying student's tuition and fees and \$500 will go toward an endowment, ensuring the scholarship is available for future generations.

An event was held April 2nd to recognize American Dream Scholarship Benefactors and special friends of the Broward College Foundation. **Dream Makers**, whose leadership gifts are matching contributions to the American Dream and First Generation Scholarships made during the benefit event and pledges paid by May 31, include: Anonymous • Kyle C. Boos • The Hamilton and Blanche Forman Christian Foundation • The Charles F. and Esther M. Frye Foundation • The Leo Goodwin Foundation • Integrated Fire Solutions • David R. Maymon • The Osman Family Foundation • Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale North • The Salah Foundation • Wells Fargo • Lou and May Jean Wolff. Other benefactors are Nancy Botero • Bacardi Jackson • Gregory McGowan • Philip McNally • Ann Porterfield • Lloyd Rhodes • Pamela Stephany.

On January 15, 2016, Frank V. Sacco, former president and CEO of the Memorial Healthcare System, and his leadership team visited the **Memorial Healthcare System Triage Unit** in Broward College's Health Science Simulation Center.

In 1988, shortly after Sacco assumed his leadership role, Broward Community College, the BCC Foundation, the South Broward Hospital District and the Memorial Health System of Broward signed a partnership agreement, similar to one instituted eight years earlier, affirming the healthcare organizations' desire to maintain their sponsorship of students who wished to become trained nurses and specialists in related healthcare positions.

In addition to scholarships and programming for the college's healthcare programs, Memorial has provided capital support for the SIM Center's technology. Since 1988, Memorial's support of the college and its students has exceeded \$14.8 million. Sacco, who retired on February 29 after 41 years of service, is credited for steering the expansion of Memorial, which is now the nation's third-largest public healthcare system. (Pictured L-R: Dr. Deborah Papa, Dean of Nursing, A. Hugh Adams Central Campus; Dr. Mercedes Quiroga, Central Campus President; Broward College President J. David Armstrong, Jr.; Frank V. Sacco, President and CEO of the Memorial Healthcare System; and John A. Benz, Chair of the Broward College District Board of Trustees)



College of Central Florida

The CF Foundation held the **28th Annual Taste of Ocala** gala on March 5th at the College of Central Florida Ocala campus. Over 250 guests enjoyed food, wine and craft beer tastings from 13 of Ocala's best food and wine purveyors. Over \$63,000 was raised to benefit a new scholarship program for promising fifth-grade participants in the Boys and Girls Club of Marion County. The scholarship program is a spinoff of the foundation's successful Scholarships Taking Elementary Promising Students to CF, or STEPS program, which offers deserving fifth-grade students \$4,000 scholarships to CF upon their graduation from high school, provided they remain drug- and crime-free and hold their record of academic achievement.



The College of Central Florida Foundation is celebrating a record-breaking internal annual fund campaign. The foundation's **Annual Family Campaign** ended Feb. 19 with a record 94% of full-time CF employees giving more than \$28,000 to support the work of faculty and dreams of students. "Our faculty and staff went above and beyond to show students, our peers and the community that those closest to the college's mission believe in it enough to give beyond their service as employees," said Dr. Jim Henningsen, CF president.

The CF Foundation received \$150,000 from former Ocala postmaster Norton B. McNeal to establish the **Norton B. McNeal and Norma R. McNeal Scholarship in Nursing**. A longtime resident of Ocala, Norton served as postmaster for 13 years before his retirement in 1977. He passed away in June 2015; he was preceded in death by Norma, who passed in 2010. Norton's nephew, Judge Ray McNeal, said, "Norton's gift to the college is an expression of his love for Norma and his heart for individuals and families struggling with mental illness." CF has a long history of producing top quality health professionals, dating back to 1963. In August 2014, the college began offering a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing to address the need for more highly trained nurses locally and statewide. This past December, CF graduated the first cohort of BSN students. "This is a wonderful legacy and wonderful gift that the McNeals have provided," said Dr. Jim Henningsen, CF president. "It will support nurses long into the future and enhance the quality of care in the region."

Daytona State College

Daytona State College joined forces with Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University to compete in the **2017 U.S. Department of Energy Solar Decathlon**. Selected as one of 16 final teams in the initial round of the two-stage process, the DSC-ERAU team will design and build a solar-powered, energy efficient house which will be judged at the conclusion of the two-year competition. All finalist teams are guaranteed \$50,000 in prize funding. The winning team will earn \$300,000. With oversight from faculty, DSC students from the Architecture and Building Technology program will contribute architectural and interior designs and specifications for the project.



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SOLAR DECATHLON

Florida Keys Community College



FKCC has been awarded \$35,000 from the **Rising Tide Conservation Foundation** to develop Innovative Techniques for Marine Ornamental Aquaculture. Through this funding, Dr. Patrick Rice & Dr. Michelle Walsh will evaluate the effect of ambient photoperiod and lunar cycle on marine ornamental broodstock Rock Beauties, *Holocanthus tricolor* and four-eyed butterflyfish, *Chaetodon capistratus*. Other goals are to develop a mesocosm system to promote reliable zooplankton production from wild seed and to conduct a broodstock evaluation for three wrasse species.



FKCC's Aquatics Director, Lori Bosco, has been awarded \$10,000 for the college sponsored **FKCC Swim Around Key West** which consists of a 12.5 mile journey around the pristine waters of Key West. This event is unique in that it is the only U.S. Coast Guard sanctioned event of this type, and because swimmers enter in the Atlantic Ocean and return in the Gulf of Mexico. The Monroe County Tourist Development Council awarded funding to this project. FKCC Swim Around Key West benefits the local pool in providing scholarships to teach swimming and water safety and aids in purchasing needed equipment for the swim clubs that train at the FKCC pool.

The National Science Foundation has awarded FKCC the **Innovate-X project**. FKCC's Dawn Ellis will collaborate with Florida State College at Jacksonville to develop 7 online Network Enterprise Admin courses. FKCC faculty will receive professional development and have access to resources developed from other institutions.

Florida SouthWestern State College

Dr. Larry Miller, Dean of School of Education at Florida SouthWestern State College has received a \$19,297 grant from **Nellie Mae Education Foundation, Inc.** This study proposes a first of its kind empirical evaluation of New Hampshire's Completion Based Funding system. The purpose of the study is to investigate the impact of completion-based funding on school policies, administrator and teacher practices, and student outcomes.

Florida SouthWestern State College, Bob Rauschenberg Gallery Director Jade Dellinger was invited by the State Department on a **Fulbright-Hays** grant to travel to Venezuela in March. There he presented five lectures on Bob Rauschenberg, the Gallery and FSW to college and high school age students at the binational centers including the Universidad Metropolitana. He also met with various major museum directors for talks on bringing Venezuelan artist to the Rauschenberg Gallery at FSW in the future.

North Florida Community College

North Florida Community College awarded over **150 scholarships** during the Fall 2015 and Spring 2016 terms and received approximately \$225,986 in contributions from its community to support area students. "The community has been extremely supportive in raising funds for scholarships," said Dr. Cheryl James, Executive Director of Development and External Affairs at NFCC. "We are thankful for all the contributions from corporations, businesses, alumni, and friends of the college. We are extremely appreciative for the generosity of those who donate to the Foundation." NFCC is currently accepting student scholarship applications for Summer Term 2016.



Palm Beach State College

Yvonne Boice announced at the 4th annual **Palm Beach State College STEAM luncheon** that the **Boice Family Foundation** will be donating an endowment of \$150,000 for scholarships to PBSC for women to study STEAM disciplines. “Lack of funding should never stop a woman from receiving the kind of education that can change lives for generations,” she said. “These scholarships will ensure that women who would have given up on college or had to struggle between work and part-time studies, will now be able to eliminate the worry of funding their classes and simply concentrate on excelling in them.” (Pictured L-R: Dr. Ava Parker and Yvonne Boice)



Boice’s announcement, which took place at the Kravis Center, drew thunderous applause from the audience of over 500, who came to support the fundraiser and to hear race car driver Danica Patrick speak about her success in a male dominated sport. Boice, is highly regarded as an advocate of both the arts and women’s issues. At her urging, for this five year fundraising initiative, PBSC added the Arts to the traditional STEM disciplines, providing more opportunities for students to benefit from the scholarship and mentorship opportunities. Boice has also travelled the globe as a delegate for women’s issues as part of several State Department initiatives.

Pensacola State College

The Pensacola State College Foundation received a \$100,000 gift to name the Cathy Hammond and David Hammond Photography Studio at the Anna Lamar Switzer Center for Visual Arts. The gift is part of a \$1 million endowment campaign to support scholarships and programming in Visual Arts. As an avid artist and photographer, David Hammond firmly believes that great communities included opportunities for individuals to enhance their understanding and appreciation of the arts.

Polk State College

The Polk State College Foundation was the recipient of an estate gift totaling \$4,577,832. The donors, **Walter Dent Brown & Alice Lorraine Brown** believed in assisting students in pursuing their dreams through higher education. Their history supporting the college dates back to 1982. At that time they established a Loan Program to assist nursing students with the cost of tuition. This estate gift has been designated for scholarships to students who are pursuing a degree in nursing or related healthcare programs, and then to students who are pursuing degrees in fields of science, technology, engineering, math, agriculture, accounting, education, law, media technology, business and medicine.

Seminole State College of Florida

Thanks to a “Roaring ‘20s” theme, the celebration of two decades of stellar leadership, and the generosity of many supporters, the Foundation for Seminole State College of Florida hosted its most successful Dream Gala ever on Feb. 13 at the Orlando Marriott Lake Mary. The 32nd edition of the gala raised an all-time high of more than \$400,000. Proceeds from the gala benefit Seminole State College student scholarships, faculty programs and areas of greatest need at the College. During its 32 years, the Dream Gala has made countless Seminole State students' educational dreams come true while raising more than \$4 million.



In addition to the record-setting fundraising, Dr. E. Ann McGee was recognized for the 20th anniversary of her term as the college’s president. Under her leadership, the college has enjoyed tremendous success, including growing from one campus to four; beginning to offer bachelor’s degrees; and growing to become the eighth largest college in the 28-college Florida College System, with 30,000 students attending the college annually. In recognition of McGee’s service and success, John Mica, U.S. Representative for Florida’s seventh Congressional District, read a special tribute for the Congressional Record honoring her accomplishments. (Pictured: Students share their career goals with guests at the Dream Gala)

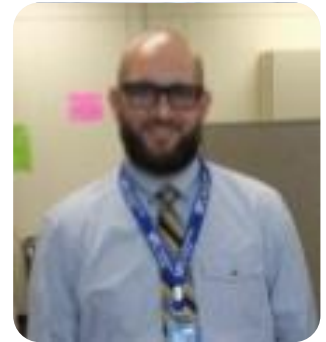
South Florida State College

South Florida State College has been awarded a \$99,619 grant from the **National Endowment for Humanities** for a three-year humanities initiative. The money will pay for a project titled, "A Sense of Home: From Cultural Conflict to Coexistence in Florida's Heartland." The project will bring into the school's humanities curricula the study of the cultures of the Heartland region, from the history of its indigenous peoples and European adventurers to recent influxes from the Caribbean, the Americas, Asia and Africa, according to information from the endowment. SFSC English and Philosophy Professor Charlotte Pressler is looking forward to delving into the cultures of the local Heartland region and sharing her new knowledge with her students. During the project, small-scale seminars will be held for college and high school faculty, and "I hope our people at SFSC will give public lectures, as well," Pressler said. "This is a real opportunity for our faculty and for high school teachers and the community."

St. Petersburg College

SPC students Mahir Abdella and Courtney Kent have been selected as **2016 Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team Silver Scholars**. Abdella and Kent were selected to the silver scholar team based on their scores in the All-USA Community College Academic Team competition, for which more than 1,900 applications were received this year. The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation sponsors the Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team program by recognizing 50 Gold, 50 Silver and 50 Bronze Scholars, and providing nearly \$200,000 in scholarships annually. Each Silver Scholar receives a \$1,250 scholarship and a special medallion.

(Pictured L-R: Mahir Abdella; Courtney Kent)



Gov. Rick Scott and First Lady Ann Scott recently honored SPC Early College Program student Michaela Polmann as the high school winner of the **2016 Black History Month Student and Teacher Contest**. Students in kindergarten through 12th grade submitted art and essays around the 2016 theme "Honoring African American Heroes." Polmann, a senior at Dunedin High School, submitted an essay honoring Valdez (Val) Demings, the first female chief of police in the Orlando Police Department. She will receive a four-year Florida College Plan scholarship provided by the Florida Prepaid College Foundation.

This May, Polmann will graduate from SPC with an Associate in Arts, then from Dunedin High School in June. After graduation, she plans to obtain a bachelor's degree in dietetics and then attend medical school. "Early College has prepared me to enter a four-year university and has inspired me to apply for scholarships such as Gov. Rick Scott and First Lady Ann Scott's Black History Month Essay Contest," said Polmann. "My Early College counselor, Ms. Hall, and Dunedin High School counselor, Ms. LaMondra, have encouraged me to work hard to reach my goals."



Valencia College

Registration is now open for the **7th State Assessment Meeting of Florida's State Colleges**, hosted by Valencia College: "**More than what Works: Focusing on what Matters Most when Strengthening Student Success.**" This gathering of faculty and administrators is for those at State Colleges who are: working to strengthen teaching and learning at the classroom and program-level; focused on the meaningful assessment of student learning; responsible for program and classroom assessment for accreditation; evaluating programs that impact student learning; or new to the assessment of student learning. Please join SAM and Valencia College this summer - June 16-17, 2016 at Valencia College's West Campus. Also consider sharing your work by submitting a proposal via www.valenciacollege.edu/SAM. Registration is \$100 with a discount for teams. The early rate ends May 1st.

Funding Achievements

College	Source of Funding	Amount Awarded	Description
Broward College	Louis & May Jean Wolff	\$100,000	Louis and May Jean Wolff American Dream Scholarship
	The Salah Foundation	\$50,000	Salah Foundation American Dream Scholarship for First Generation Scholars
	Dr. Floyd F. Koch	\$25,000	Dr. Floyd F. Koch American Dream Scholarship for First Generation Scholars
	Hannah Kahn Poetry Foundation	\$21,000	Hannah Kahn Memorial Endowed Poetry Scholarship
	Gertrude E. Skelly Charitable Foundation	\$15,000	Gertrude E. Skelly Memorial Nursing Scholarship
	Kelly Foundation	\$12,500	Pantropic Power / Caterpillar Marine Excellence Scholarship
	Hamilton M. & Blanche C. Forman Christian Foundation	\$10,000	American Dream Scholarship
	Florida Department of Cultural Affairs	\$10,000	Broward College South Campus Office of Cultural Affairs' Overheard Series , which focuses on performance art and public speech, both exposing students to empowering ideas and providing them a forum to be heard. The program includes student initiatives, conferences on contemporary social topics, and cutting-edge performance art "one-acts." Grant will fund four acts on campus; host two conferences, exploring how performance arts can help address contemporary political and/or ethical issues; and promote the performance talent of faculty and students.
	Google igniteCS	\$9,500	Grant will fund 12 female-friendly STEM workshops for 25 minority middle and high school girls with no experience in computer science and engineering living in low-income areas that surround Broward College's campuses across Broward County. The girls will engage in activities twice a month, for three hours per session, alongside college staff, Broward College students from science and computer science clubs involved in service-learning, and the Dennis Project staff, a middle school after school program provider.

Daytona State College	FL Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs	\$28,600	Daytona State College has received support for its Southeast Museum of Photography, one of only 12 such museums in the US devoted solely to photography. Funds through FDCA's General Program Support grant will be used in 2016-17 to sponsor photography exhibits of regional interest and lectures by each of the featured artists.
	CareerSource Florida	\$823,200	Daytona State College has been awarded a Florida Flex Contract to facilitate workplace training for Total Renal Laboratories. More than 300 full-time permanent employees will be trained through this two-year grant-funded program, allowing for an expansion of jobs at TRL's regional headquarters in DeLand, FL.
Florida Keys Community College	Florida Department of Education	\$25,000	Florida DOE has awarded \$25,000 to FKCC to implement the Florida Integrated Career and Academic Preparation System. This will allow FKCC and the Monroe County School District to plan, design, and/or implement an integrated GED® Preparation course and a career and technical program within Florida's Integrated Career and Academic Preparation System (FICAPS).
	Florida Department of Education	\$56,727	A Florida DOE Perkins grant for \$56,727 has been awarded to FKCC. The purpose is to develop the academic, career, and technical skills of postsecondary education students who enroll in career and technical education programs. These funds will be used to develop internship opportunities, fund certification exams and to provide assistance for special populations.
Florida State College at Jacksonville	The University of West Florida	\$81,000	Complete Florida – FSCJ is one of 11 institutions participating in this project to increase the number of degrees obtained by adult learners. The University of West Florida is lead institution and fiscal agent. This is the second calendar year of this project.
	National Science Foundation	\$75,664	National Center of Excellence for Convergence Technology – This is the fourth year for this project in which FSCJ collaborates with the Convergence Technology Center at Collin College in Texas in its application for a National Center of Excellence to implement high-demand convergence degree and certificate programs.

	National Science Foundation through Florida A&M University	\$19,500	Florida-Georgia Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation – Known by its acronym FGLSAMP, this program supports greater participation by underrepresented minority students in STEM programs.
	State Farm Foundation	\$5,000	FSCJ Financial Literacy Initiative Expansion Project – The College’s Center on Economic and Financial Education (CEFE) will provide the FSCJ community with education on borrowing wisely and researching financial resources.
	Kynamatrix Research Network	\$500	Community Beyond the Classroom: Collaboration with Community Connections of Jacksonville – This is an Innovation Through Collaboration service learning grant that will help develop an interdisciplinary service learning model for FSCJ’s faculty and administrative community as the College embarks on developing its Center for Civic Engagement.
Indian River State College	Bank of America	\$5,000	Bank of America and IRSC will partner to support the growth and development of small businesses on the Treasure Coast. These funds will be utilized to support general operating costs of the SBDC @ IRSC.
	U.S. Small Business Administration	\$189,868	Funding to deliver consulting to small business clients through the SBDC at IRSC.
	The Legacy Foundation	\$5,000	Funding to support a campus-wide initiative to investigate becoming a smoke-free and/or tobacco-free campus.
Pensacola State College	Fish Florida	\$1,987.60 and 100 fishing rods	Fish Florida receives \$22 from the purchase of each specialty license plate and supports fishing and conservation education programs. PSC received these funds and fishing rods to support the 2016 Kids College fishing program.
Polk State College	American Association of Community Colleges	\$60,000	Right Signals initiative to demonstrate a new credentialing model that recognizes multiple quality credentials to send the “right signals” to employers, students, and colleges about the meaning of key credentials: degrees, certifications, industry certifications, apprenticeships, and badges.
	Florida Department of Children and Families	\$522,490	Polk State is contracted for five years to administer and coordinate childcare training and competency exams in Polk, Highlands, and Hardee Counties.

	Education Development Center	\$5,500	To research the effect social media has on student recruitment as part of a larger initiative to develop a model plan for effective use of best practice social media strategies and disseminating research findings nationally throughout the Advanced Technological Education (ATE) Community.
St. Petersburg College	Achieving the Dream (ATD) – Student Financial Empowerment	\$25,000	SPC is one of just five colleges that ATD and OneMain Financial will assist in integrating financial education into the college experience through the implementation of financial empowerment programs.
	CareerSource Florida – FloridaFLEX	\$105,000	SPC’s Workforce Institute will serve as the fiscal agent for Inside Sales Solutions FL, Inc. (ISS) in the implementation of the FloridaFLEX training program. ISS will train approximately 76 of its newly hired employees through its St. Petersburg facilities, primarily in marketing and database administration. SPC will also be able to provide potential training and consulting services outside of the grant.