

FYI Campus Newsletter

Bismarck State College – August 22, 2007

Gov. John Hoeven visits campus, tours NECE

N.D. Gov. John Hoeven visited the BSC campus on Aug. 10 to learn about the current initiatives related to BSC's National Energy Center of Excellence (NECE). BSC President Larry Skogen and vice presidents Gordon Binek, Dave Clark and Dr. Wayne Boekes met with the Governor to discuss new initiatives that will continue to facilitate economic development.

In 2006, BSC received a \$3 million grant to support development of the NECE from the North Dakota Centers of Excellence, an initiative of Gov. Hoeven. The initiative is designed to partner higher education and economic development to create higher paying jobs in North Dakota.

“The energy industry is depending on BSC to help provide a skilled workforce to work at electric power plants, ethanol and biodiesel plants, and other energy initiatives being considered in this region,” said Dr. Skogen. “There’s no doubt in my mind that the NECE will give us the tools and capacity we need to meet industry demands in the upcoming years.”

In May 2007, Gov. John Hoeven signed new legislation providing increased funds to address statewide workforce needs, as well as an additional \$20 million for the Centers of Excellence program.

During his BSC visit, the Governor also toured the NECE construction site and was briefed on federal initiatives the college is working on, including discussions with the military to provide energy technology education.

President Skogen said, “The College is very fortunate to have Governor Hoeven’s support. We appreciate his leadership and support.”

Web Page Development and Design program recognized

The BSC Web Page Development and Design program was honored at the State Board for Career and Technical Education conference Aug. 6-8 in Bismarck. The program received a Director’s Award of Excellence in information technology for the numbers of industry certifications students may earn, internships offered and promoted, and instructors with Master CIW Designer certification and proctor certification to administer national exams. Accepting the award were **Dr. Drake Carter**, associate vice president for academic affairs, **Lynette Borjeson Painter**, associate professor of computer information systems, and **Amy Helgeson**, assistant professor of computer information systems. BSC President **Larry Skogen** and Provost **Wayne Boekes** also attended the award ceremonies.

Dr. Wayne Boekes to retire in June

Dr. Wayne Boekes, provost and vice president for academic affairs, last week announced his retirement, effective the end of June 2008.

Dr. Boekes was first employed at BSC in 1981, when he was hired as dean of vocational-technical education. For the first eight years in the position, he had a concurrent assignment as director of vocational-technical education for the Bismarck Public Schools.

In 1996, after a national search, he was named vice president of instruction and student services by then BSC President Donna Thigpen. His title was changed to provost and vice president for academic and student affairs in December 2003.

Dr. Boekes' 34 years of experience in community college education includes serving in supervisory positions with the N.D. State Board for Vocational and Technical Education from 1972-78. He was director of adult education and special programs at Front Range Community College in Fort Collins, Colo., from 1979-81.

Five faculty members are new to campus

Five new faculty members were hired to fill teaching positions in mechanical maintenance technology, commercial art, nursing, and English. Three of the instructors either attended or graduated from BSC.

CRAIG DOLBEARE, Mechanical Maintenance Technology Instructor

Dolbeare has AAS degrees in network engineering and in water technology from Minot State University-Bottineau. He was an instructor there since 2002, teaching water technology and GIS, a program he instituted. Dolbeare is enrolled at Valley City State University. He has a strong mechanical and technology background and was supervisor of the water and wastewater treatment department in Westhope. Dolbeare owns C-Tech Computer Repair and builds, repairs and troubleshoots computers and components. The past five years he was a youth case aide worker at Village Family Services and did tutoring at Bottineau High School. Dolbeare also coordinated a teen center, coached Little League baseball, and was a Cub Scout master. A native of Bottineau, he and wife Penny have a son Brandon, 19, and daughter Stephanie, 13. He enjoys hunting, fishing, and spending time with family.

ERIN GOODALE, Assistant Professor of English

Goodale was a BSC adjunct English instructor last year and stresses technology in the classroom. She graduated from the University of Minnesota-Mankato with an MA in English literature in 2006 and a BA in English and minor in technical writing in 2004. She attended BSC for one year before transferring to U-M. Goodale was a teaching assistant and mentor for two years at U-M-Mankato and worked for the Office of Residential Life. She did fundraising for AIDS and mentored immigrant and abused children at Theresa House in Mankato. Goodale has worked for Barnes and Noble for seven years in Bismarck and Mankato. A Bismarck native, she enjoys reading, movies, and spending time with family.

ROBERT LEINGANG, Mechanical Maintenance Technology Instructor

Leingang has 33 years experience as a pipe fitter and welder at power plants and refineries statewide and holds Certified Welding Inspector and Certified Welding Educator certifications from the American Welding Society. He was a crane and dozer operator for the ND Army National Guard for six years and worked as a mechanic for Wachter, Inc., of Bismarck. Leingang taught welding at Mandan High School since 1999 and was involved as advisor and coach for SkillsUSA. In 1992, he completed an AA from BSC in business administration, and an AA from University of Mary in management information systems. He is pursuing a BS in vocational education from Valley City State University. Leingang served six years on the ND Association for Career and Technical Education board. Leingang grew up in St. Anthony and enjoys hunting and fishing. He and his wife, Lu Fleck, have two sons and two daughters.

TOM MARPLE, Assistant Professor of Commercial Art

Marple returns to BSC, where he earned an AAS in commercial art in 1988 and received the Outstanding Student of the Year Award in Commercial Art. He was a graphic designer at Image Printing in Bismarck for nine years and has extensive background in offset printing. He also worked briefly for Noble Games and Basin Electric Power Cooperative as a graphic designer, and for Interstate Engineering as an engineering technician. Marple has a BS in agriculture from NDSU and studied geography at the University of Wisconsin-Superior, where he played varsity football. The USDA National Resource Conservation Service employed him for nine years as a soil conservation technician in Hettinger, Rugby, and Cando. Marple grew up Duluth, Minn., and is married to Michele Doyle. He enjoys reading, painting in pastel, and traveling.

ANDREA (ANNIE) PAULSON, Nursing Programs Instructor

Paulson was adjunct clinical nursing instructor for the Dakota Nursing Program at BSC last year. She graduated with an MS in nursing education from University of Mary in 2007 and has a BSN and AAS in practical nursing from Dickinson State University. Paulson worked as a registered nurse from 2003-2006 at St. Alexius Medical Center in Bismarck and at Meritcare in Fargo, where she was a member of the Resource Team. Prior to that, she was an LPN at St. Luke Nursing Home in Dickinson. Paulson led a two-week trip to Guatemala for local nursing students, who volunteered at a homeless shelter and malnutrition clinic, and built houses for the God's Child Project. Paulson grew up in Regent and enjoys wake boarding and water activities. She and her husband Ben have a 4-year-old son.

BSC welcomes new staff employees

JUSTIN FORDE, BSC Foundation Fund Development Coordinator

Forde received his MS in sports administration from Florida State University in 2002 and was employed by the Florida State Athletic Department. His BA in history and minor in business and coaching are from Northern State University in Aberdeen, S.D. A native of Tolna, Forde was assistant director for marketing and promotions for the Athletic Department at NDSU for the past five years. He oversaw corporate sponsorships, advertising, special events, tailgating, and game management. He also was an adjunct instructor in the Health, Nutrition and Exercise Sciences Department. Forde is a founding member of Fargo's Young Professionals Network. He is engaged to Renee Ruter of Bismarck, and their wedding is Sept. 1.

JERRI GISINGER, Conference Associate

Gisinger, conference associate with Continuing Education, Training and Innovation (CETI), has a BS in graphic communications from Moorhead State University. While still in college, she started with US Bank in Fargo in the customer service center. After graduation, she spent seven years at US Bank in Minneapolis as an account coordinator and a recruiting coordinator. Gisinger grew up in Ipswich, S.D., and attended the University of Mary one year. She is married to Rick and has two cats. They enjoy movies and family activities at the lake.

CATHY JANIKOWSKI, CLT Education and Outreach Coordinator

Janikowski, clinical laboratory technology education and outreach coordinator, launched a second career with her graduation from BSC's Clinical Laboratory Technician program in 1994. She started her work life as a teacher with a BS in education from Mayville State University. Janikowski taught physical education and business at Elgin and Pisek high schools and coached women's basketball and track and grade school boys and girls basketball. She has an MLT-CLT license and national board certification from the American Society for Clinical Pathology. She was a microbiologist for seven years at the state Department of Health and worked as a medical lab technician for Medcenter One and United Blood Services in Bismarck, and Sacagawea

Medical Center in Hazen. A Grafton native, she played Class AA softball in Grand Forks and enjoys golf, curling, camping, and reading.

HEATHER PRICE, Residence Supervisor

Price, residence supervisor at Swensen Hall, graduated from BSC in 2006 with AA and AS degrees. She is pursuing a BA in psychology through Minot State University's program at BSC. Price has worked as a residence assistant at Swensen Hall since 2003. She grew up on a farm near Tuttle and enjoys reading and watching sports.

JODI RATHJEN, Admissions Office Assistant

Rathjen worked at Medcenter One the past five years as administrative assistant to the chief information officer. She also was employed in Minneapolis as office manager at Custom Search Inc. and at Accel Computers. Rathjen graduated from BSC with an AA and biology focus in 1995. She is working toward a BS in social work through BSC's collaborative program with Minot State University. Jodi is married to Darin and has two daughters, ages 15 and 8. She enjoys volleyball, fishing, and her children's activities.

Faculty and Staff News

Nancy Gordon, counselor, traveled to Morris, Minn., June 26-28 for the Network Training: Evaluate Campus Programs and Keep Your Sanity seminar.

Carmel Miller, associate professor of agriculture, technology and natural resources, and **Craig Kleven**, assistant professor of agriculture, technology and natural resources, attended the AgrowKnowledge Partner Leadership Training Conference in Springfield, Ill., July 8-11.

Suzie McShane, nursing instructor/coordinator; **Greta Knoll**, nursing instructor; and **Andrea Paulson**, nursing instructor, attended Boot Camp for Nurse Educators in Albuquerque Aug. 2-6.

Jay Meier, director of counseling and career services, traveled to Austin, Texas, Aug. 5-8 for the 2007 Career Services Officers Users Research Conference.

Dan Schmidt, energy technology programs manager, and **Kyren Miller**, assistant professor of power/process plant technology, attended a meeting of the American Coalition for Ethanol in St. Paul Aug. 7-9.

Jane Schreck, associate professor of English, attended the eCollege Instructional Design Training Seminar in Denver Aug. 7-10.

Dr. Larry Skogen, president, visited government agencies and offices in Washington, D.C., Aug. 15-17 and along with **Alicia Berger**, energy programs training manager, gave a presentation to students, faculty and staff at the Army Prime Power School.