

FYI Campus Newsletter

Bismarck State College – July 28, 2004

BSC will offer evening credit classes in Mandan

BSC will offer three college credit evening classes in Mandan, beginning in the fall semester. Courses scheduled are Elements of Accounting I, Mondays from 6 to 8:40 p.m., Lisa Aamodt, instructor; College Composition I, Tuesdays, 5:20 to 8 p.m., Jaclyn Raw, instructor; and Introduction to Computers, Thursdays, 5:20 to 8 p.m., instructor TBA. Classes will be held at Mandan High School.

The BSC-Mandan campus is a collaborative effort of Mandan community leaders and Bismarck State College to better serve West River residents, said Dr. Jane Schulz, BSC dean of instruction.

“The classes will be open to anyone who wishes to enroll, but the Mandan location will be especially convenient for students living in Mandan, Morton County, and the surrounding area,” Dr. Schulz said.

BSC welcomes new employees

Jaclyn Bugbee has joined the BSC Foundation/College Advancement staff as fund development coordinator. Originally from Parshall, she is a graduate of NDSU with a B.S. degree in accounting. She was previously employed as assistant controller at Beverage Wholesalers, Fargo, for one and one-half years. A job transfer for her husband, Darin Bugbee, brought the couple to Bismarck.

Also joining the College Advancement staff is **Mike Kubisiak**, institutional research analyst. A native of Bismarck, he spent the last seven years working for a private bank in Fort Collins and Boulder, Colo. He was a market research analyst for the bank for the past four and one-half years. He earned B.S. degrees in biology education and in general science, and an MBA in business from NDSU.

Deanne Erie is the new custodian in the Annex and Student Union. A graduate of Williston High School, she moved here about seven years ago. She worked at Mandan High School as a bus driver and teacher’s aide for five years, and did cleaning for a private firm for one year. Her 14-year-old son, Trevor, is a student at Mandan Junior High School.

Tutor training program is recertified

BSC received notification this summer that the tutor training program has been recertified for five years by the College Reading and Learning Association's International Tutor Certification Program at the Regular Level 1. The last certification was for three years, ending June 30, 2004.

Lonna Meier, academic support services coordinator, says she and her staff improved the training for the tutors, as well as the documentation and evaluation processes. BSC’s program exceeds all the minimum requirements of the College Reading and Learning Association, and these changes resulted in the five-year recertification.

“We are now allowed to certify any of our tutors who meet the requirements of attending 10 hours of

tutor training and document a minimum of 25 hours of actual tutoring experience until June 30, 2009,” Meier said. Forty-three tutors have been certified in the past four years.

Nuclear Energy Institute newsletter publishes BSC news

An article about BSC is included in the Nuclear Energy Overview of July 5. The Overview is a weekly report to members of the Nuclear Energy Institute. The article focuses on the National Science Foundation grant that is helping fund development of BSC’s Nuclear Power Technology online program.

President Thigpen and Dr. Boekes learn about Chinese community colleges

Later this year you’ll have the chance to find out how community colleges in China compare to U.S. community colleges. **President Donna S. Thigpen** says she and **Provost Wayne Boekes** plan to prepare a presentation with photos about their experiences in China. They attended the China-U.S. Conference on Community Colleges Conference in Beijing in early July. Other North Dakota education leaders who attended were Dr. Sharon Hart, president of North Dakota State College of Science, and Dr. Richard Kunkel, former president and current member of the State Board of Higher Education.

Faculty & Staff News

Ronald Pennenga, nuclear technology online instructor, attended the Professional Reactor Operator Society Conference in Rochester, N.Y., June 7-10.

Carla Braun Hixson, associate vice president for CCE, and **Bruce Emmil**, energy technology online program manager, attended a meeting June 16 in San Diego with Southern California Edison and MiraCosta Community College about BSC’s nuclear technology program.

Dave Clark, executive vice president, traveled to Dallas July 7-8 for the Advanced Manufacturing Workforce Solutions Meeting.

Four employees attended a meeting of the Council for Adult and Experiential Learning (CAEL) in Denver July 13. Attending were **Carla Braun Hixson**, associate vice president for Corporate & Continuing Education; **Bruce Emmil**, energy technology online program manager; **Dave Clark**, executive vice president; and **Bill Wahlman**, director of energy programs. CAEL is a national non-profit organization that creates and manages effective learning strategies for working adults through partnerships with employers, higher education, government and labor. CAEL manages EPCE (Energy Providers Coalition for Education), BSC’s partner in two online energy programs.

Bruce Emmil, energy technology online program manager, traveled to Chattanooga, Tenn., July 19 to meet with representatives of the Tennessee Valley Authority about BSC’s Nuclear Power Technology program.