

REPORT OF THE SUPEINTENDENT TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 20, 2012

PICTURES

It is time for a new composite picture of the Board, so please arrive by 6:45 pm with great big smiles to pose for our new picture. Lynette Moritz, Media Communications Instructor will be here to take the picture. It will hang outside the Board Conference room.

BILL KUCIC, MEAT PROCESSING INSTRUCTOR INJURED BY A STEER

On February 9th, Bill Kucic, our Meat Processing Instructor, was injured when he was corralling a steer into the stall. When Bill herded the steer into the stall, the steer got frightened and turn quickly. When Bill tried to escape the stall, the steer threw him. Bill flipped and landed on his head and hip. A student closed the gate to contain the steer and preventing the steer from attacking Bill. Students called 911 and went to get help from Administration and the nurse. Bill was taken to Med-Central – Shelby and then, life-flighted to Grant Medical Center in Columbus.

Bill ended up with a broken pelvis, vocal cord damage and a lot of lacerations, bumps and bruises. Bill spent a few days in ICU, but now is recuperating well and has been released to step down. Bill is a great teacher and has taught his students all the safety skills needed to react in this type of a situation.

ConneCT MULTI-CAREER TECHNICAL SCHOOL ALL INCLUSIVE STAFF IN-SERVICE

We are asking you to approve a Regional In-service for support and certified staff that involves our Regional Career Technical Schools including: Penta Career Center, EHOVE Career Center, Tri-Rivers Career Center, Lorain Joint Vocational School, Vanguard-Sentinal Career Center, Four County Career Center, Apollo Career Center, Ohio Hi-Point Career Center and Pioneer Career and Technology Center.

For several years, we have brought our Administrative staffs together and found the networking and best practices sharing have been invaluable. We now would like to bring our whole staffs together on September 28, 2012 to share in a common Inservice for Career Technical Education.

COURSES OF STUDY

In preparation for Course of Study adoption and approval, we have sent you copies of the Math, Science, Contemporary World Issues and World Geography Courses of Study. We will also have hard copies at the Board meeting for your review. These Courses of Study will be on the March Board Agenda for your approval. Please let me know if you have any questions.

SOPHOMORE VISITATION

Sophomore students from our Partner schools and Goal Digital Academy visited Pioneer for Sophomore Visitation on January 24, 25 and 26, 2012. Well, the weather played havoc with our visits again, a 2 hour delay on Thursday caused us to reschedule several schools.

Although many students had not yet visited Pioneer, the Open House on Thursday, January 26 went very well with a nice number of potential students and their parents visiting our programs. As in the past, the staff has decided to have a Second Glance Open House on February 28th from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm for those people who did not have a chance to visit or who would like to make another visit.

This is our third year for on-line registration which continues to be very successful. Students are able to immediately register on-line at the Open House or as soon as they returned home or to their schools. Currently, we have about 600 students registered which is about the same as last year even though we are recruiting from a much smaller sophomore class.

I cannot commend Student Services Department, our staff and students *enough* for their hard work and a job well done!

LEGISLATIVE SEMINAR

The Ohio Association for Career-Technical and Adult Education (ACTE) hosted the annual legislative seminar in Columbus on January 25 and 26, 2012. Howard Koons, Doug Theaker, Mary Jean Theaker, Greg Nickoli, Jerry Payne, , and I had great visits with Representative Margaret Ruhl and Representative Jay Goyal . We were not able to meet with Representative Jeffrey McClain, but had a nice conversation with his aide. They all were very supportive of Career Technical Education and our district. They understand the economic impact that Career and Technical Education has on the economy.

OSBA CENTRAL REGION MEETING

The 2012 OSBA Central Region Spring Conference will be held Wednesday, March 21 at Villa Milano Banquet and Conference Center in Columbus.

Howard Koons will receive the Award of Achievement at this conference. The Award of Achievement is given to School Board members in recognition of their

commitment to training and leadership activities on their boards of education and region and statewide OSBA activities. We are very proud of Howard and grateful to have him as President of our Board of Education. We will be submitting a press release after the conference.

The conference will begin with a Social Hour at 5:00 pm and dinner and program at 6:00 pm. The keynote speaker will be Michelle Francis, Deputy Director of Legislative Services.

RICHLAND COUNTY TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW

Doug Theaker has graciously agreed to serve as Pioneer representative on the Richland County Tax Incentive Review Council. Doug has served in this capacity for us for several years.

CAREER TECHNICAL MONTH

This month is National Career-Technical Month. Laurie Kirk, Job Leads Coordinator has planned several activities this month to celebrate Career – Technical Education. Activities this year will include Muffins for Moms and Donuts for Dads which took place on February 7th from 7:30 -8:15 am in the Pioneer Community Room. Parents enjoyed a continental breakfast with their son/daughter then had an opportunity to visit their students' lab and take a tour of Pioneer. Other activities were Job Shadow Day, Senior Project Presentations and promotion of CTE Champions where students can share success stories.

PIONEER'S RALPH PHILLIPS' BUSINESS PARTNER OF THE YEAR AWARD DINNER

The Ralph Phillips' Business Partner of the Year Award Dinner was held on Thursday, February 9, 2012 at 6:30 pm in the Pioneer Cafeteria. This award was started in 2006 to honor those business partners that have greatly contributed and supported Pioneer and our students.

Our first recipient was Ralph Phillips, owner and president of Phillips Manufacturing. Each year the partner is selected on their commitment to education; support and participation in mentoring, job shadowing, Career Technical Student Organizations, field trips and community projects; service on Pioneer committees; financial support; advancement of Pioneer levies; hiring of Pioneer students; and utilization of Pioneer training opportunities.

This year's very deserving Ralph Phillips' Business Partner of the Year was Chanel Hipp, Human Resource Director from Covert Manufacturing. Chanel has been very supportive of Pioneer at the secondary and adult level. Her company has hired several Pioneer students, been involved in adult training programs, provided speakers and field trip opportunities and served on committees. We appreciate Chanel's commitment to Pioneer.

**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE INNOVATION GRANT FOR THE NORTH
CENTRAL STATE COLLEGE AND PIONEER ADULT EDUCATION
PARTNERS**

Pioneer Adult Education and North Central State College are writing a \$100,000 Innovation Fund Grant to help us with the implementation of our Workforce Training Partnership. We need the Board of Education to approve a Resolution of support for the Grant. The Grant which is due March 1, 2012 will provide us with funds to solidify this partnership.

ALL BOARD MEMBER-ADMINISTRATIVE DINNER

Our Annual Administrator-Board Member Dinner will be held this year on Wednesday, March 28, 2012. This year we will do a Progress Report about the last 3 years during the renovation and allow time for tours of the building. Hors d'oeuvres will be served at 6:00 pm with the dinner starting at 6:30 pm in the Pioneer Cafeteria.

PERSONNEL

We will be entering into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. All other personnel items are common for this time of year.