

# PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

from the Office of the President



*Together we serve.*

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Among the significant highlights we celebrated, as we wrapped up our spring 2022 term in May, is a new cohort of graduates. We recognized some of our outstanding faculty who received Endowed Teaching Chair and Professor of the Year awards. Also, this month, as a testament to how together we work to move this institution and our community forward, we celebrate three national recognitions. Broward College was named one of the 10 finalists for the 2023 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence, we were named one of the “Most Promising Places To Work” in higher education by the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development, and received a Gold Bell Seal certification from Mental Health America in recognition of our positive work environment. We also expanded the footprint of our community-centered Broward UP™ model with the launch of a workforce development certificate in Emergency Management in partnership with Pace Center for Girls and AshBritt (a premiere emergency management and disaster response firm). I encourage you to join me in sharing these outstanding accomplishments and congratulating our graduates, faculty, and staff.

## COLLEGE NEWS

### More than 3,700 Credentials Earned as Graduates Celebrate at Spring 2022 Commencement

The College hosted its spring 2022 Commencement on Thursday, May 5, at the Broward County Convention Center in Fort Lauderdale. This term more than 3,700 certificates and degrees were earned including 2,328 associate degrees, 833 technical certificates, and more than 240 bachelor's degrees. Graduates ranged in age from 16 to 71 years old. Jacky Wright, corporate vice president and chief digital officer of Microsoft US, delivered the commencement speech. In her remarks, Ms. Wright outlined a career that took her through many senior positions at BP, Andersen Consulting, and General Electric, and provided a call-to-action for graduates to embrace technology to foster inclusivity. The ceremony also featured remarks from Broward College President Gregory Adam Haile, J.D.; Interim Vice Provost, Academic Affairs and North Campus Dr. Jamonica Rolle; Broward College Board of Trustees Vice Chair Reggie Zachariah; and Student Representative Destine Harrison-Williams.



Among the notable graduates were Maalik King, an Exceptional Student Education graduate who hopes to make a difference in the education of underrepresented minority youth; Brenda Amaya, a construction consulting professional who after 30 years in the construction industry saw the need to go back to school if she wanted to continue advancing her career; Matthew Almour, a former food-industry professional who made the switch to Information Technology (IT) and graduated with a 4.0 GPA; and Ingrid Palomino, a mother whose 12-year pursuit of a bachelor's degree in IT inspired her daughter to attend an Ivy League school. Read more about these and other stories on our [blog](#).



### Broward College Named Among 10 Finalists for the 2023 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence

Broward College is one of the ten finalists for the 2023 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence. The finalists were announced by the Aspen Institute on Tuesday, June 7 following a semi-finalist announcement on Wednesday, May 27. The Aspen Prize honors colleges with outstanding achievement in five critical areas: teaching and learning, certificate and degree completion, transfer and bachelor's attainment, workforce success, and equity for students of color and low-income backgrounds. It has been called the “Oscars for great community colleges” by President Barack Obama. In 2021, Broward College was named a Finalist with Distinction. Awarded every two years since 2011, the prize recognizes outstanding institutions selected from a pool of more than 1,000 public community colleges nationwide. The winner, finalist with distinction and a rising star will be announced in spring 2023 and share in a \$1 million award.



## President Haile and Dr. Coyne will be Recognized by South Florida Business & Wealth as 2022 Leaders in Diversity and Inclusion

South Florida Business & Wealth, a publication committed to covering local leaders in the fields of wealth management, philanthropy, and real estate, has named President Haile an Honoree for their Diversity and Inclusion Awards. The award recognizes the president as one of South Florida's most distinguished professionals in the higher education industry and a pioneering business leader in one of the country's most multicultural regions. Dr. Mildred Coyne, senior vice president, Workforce Education and Innovation will also be recognized for her contributions to advancing Diversity and Inclusion. South Florida Business & Wealth will celebrate the Diversity and Inclusion Awards during a ceremony on Wednesday, June 15. Honorees will also be featured in the September issue of South Florida Business & Wealth.



Gregory Adam Haile, J.D.



Dr. Mildred Coyne

## Broward College Among 'Most Promising Places to Work in Community Colleges' for 2022

Broward College was selected as a 2022 Most Promising Places to Work in Community Colleges award winner. The award, bestowed by the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) and the publication *Diverse: Issues in Higher Education*, recognizes the College's best-in-class student and staff recruitment and retention practices, inclusive learning and working environments, and meaningful community service and engagement opportunities. Broward College and other institutions were recognized during NISOD's annual International Conference on Teaching and Leadership Excellence in Austin, Texas, from May 28 to 31, 2022.



## Mental Health America Awards Broward College Gold Bell Seal Certification

The College was presented with the Gold certification for the Mental Health America (MHA) Bell Seal. MHA's Bell Seal for Workplace Mental Health is a national certification program to recognize employers committed to creating mentally healthy workplaces. The award is given in collaboration with the Department of Labor, the CDC, and national companies. It reflects MHA's commitment to recognizing institutions that further worker safety, health, and well-being. Broward College was awarded the Gold certification based on the categories of Supportive Workplace Culture, Caring Beyond Compliance, Holistic Wellness at Work, and Mental Health Benefits in support of faculty and staff.



## American College of Higher Education, Sri Lanka Holds First In-Person Graduation Ceremony Since Start of Pandemic

The American College of Higher Education (ACHE) in Sri Lanka has been in partnership with Broward College since 1995, offering the Broward College Associate of Arts degree since 2010 as an approved international center. On Tuesday, February 22, ACHE organized its first graduation since the pandemic to celebrate the success of its students and recognize the resilience of its staff. Dr. David Moore, dean, International Education, represented Broward College and gave the keynote address. Approximately 250 attendees were present at the event. This was ACHE's 10th graduation cohort, bringing the total number of graduates from the program to 430. President Haile also conveyed his congratulatory wishes to the graduates and admiration for their hard work via video.



Graduates during the ceremony.

## 2021-2022 Professors of the Year Honored

In recognition of their remarkable work in the classroom and support of student success, Broward College announced 11 faculty as 2021-22 Professors of the Year. Nominated by their peers and students and reviewed by a selection committee from each campus, the awardees are full-time and adjunct professors who work across the College's locations and online. The awardees are:

### A. HUGH ADAMS CENTRAL CAMPUS



**Jason Aiken**  
Adjunct Professor  
Business Administration



**Victoria Bower**  
Associate Professor  
History/Political Science



**Joshua Kimber**  
Associate Professor  
Visual and  
Performing Arts



**Jose Rivera**  
Adjunct Professor  
Mathematics

### NORTH CAMPUS



**Guensley Jerome**  
Adjunct Professor  
Mathematics



**Lisa Rockford**  
Associate Professor  
Fine Arts



**Arianna Rose**  
Adjunct Professor  
Fine Arts

### JUDSON A. SAMUELS SOUTH CAMPUS



**Nargita Arora**  
Temporary Instructor  
Health Sciences, Nursing



**Angela Cody**  
Adjunct Professor  
History, Behavior,  
Political Science

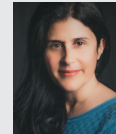


**Toribio Matamoros**  
Adjunct Professor  
Mathematics

### ONLINE



**Jason Aiken**  
Adjunct Professor  
Business Administration



**Lourdes Heuer**  
Associate Professor  
English Communication

## Eight Extraordinary Broward College Professors Receive 2022 Endowed Teaching Chair Awards

Over the course of two days—Monday, April 18, and Tuesday, April 19—recipients of the Endowed Teaching Chair Awards were surprised in their classrooms by College Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Jeffery Nasse and President Haile. The eight professors were recognized for their excellence in the classroom as recipients of an Endowed Teaching Chair (ETC) award for the 2022-23 academic year. Faculty recipients are awarded a \$13,500 honorarium, \$5,000 of which is intended for professional development, class enhancements and other academic improvements. ETC awards are open to active full-time teaching faculty and librarians. Candidates can be nominated by a peer, student, or may self-nominate. The awards are possible thanks to the support of philanthropic individuals, businesses, foundations, and city organizations. The 2022-23 Endowed Teaching Chair recipients are:

### ETC AWARD RECIPIENTS



**Dr. Eduardo Astigarraga**  
Assistant Professor  
English  
Otto Burkhardt ETC



**Dr. Kryzstof Bryniuk**  
Associate Professor  
Chemistry  
The Sun-Sentinel ETC



**Dr. Michael Giovanniello**  
Senior Professor  
Radiography  
Sensomatic Electronics  
Corporation ETC



**Laura McDermott**  
Assistant Professor  
English  
Robert Elmore  
Family ETC



**Dr. Behnoush Memari**  
Senior Professor  
Chemistry  
AT&T ETC



**Dr. David Perdian**  
Associate Professor  
Chemistry  
The Donald L. Goldsmith  
Faculty Development &  
Technology ETC



**Vicky Santiesteban**  
Associate Professor  
English  
The Knight  
Foundation ETC



**Dr. Katherine Peach**  
Associate Professor  
Biology  
The Presidential ETC

## Broward College Receives National Science Foundation Advanced Technological Education Grant to Improve Cybersecurity Education

This grant will support the College's CyberTech: Expanding Opportunities in Cybersecurity project. The project aims to increase access for low-income students, students of color, and women to cybersecurity technician training with a new teaching approach and several crucial community partners. The program



focuses on improving cybersecurity education by implementing and studying a new co-teaching model that pairs community college faculty with highly successful graduate students to co-teach cybersecurity courses. Broward College will partner with Florida International University Advanced Research Center, Nova Southeastern University College of Computing and Engineering, University of South Florida Intelligence Community Center for Academic Excellence, Miami Dade College, and Palm Beach State College. Collaboration with postgraduate students allows them to bring in the latest knowledge from their research being conducted for agencies such as the U.S. Department of Defense and Homeland Security. Along with these universities and colleges, the project will involve three local high schools that cumulatively serve the 187 students in Broward County enrolled in the Applied Cybersecurity program in the K-12 system.

## Broward College Board of Trustees Authorized Custodial Contract Providing Scholarships for Employees of Custodial Vendors

Broward College has awarded contracts to two vendors—Marsden South, LLC and Encompass Onsite, LLC—to ensure sufficient custodial resources will be available to support the College's needs. The term of the award is for a period of five years, with an option for two additional one-year renewal periods. The Custodial Services contract with these contractors will provide specialized and routine cleaning and maintenance across the College's facilities throughout the fiscal year. As part of the College's efforts to ensure the businesses it works with are aligned with its mission and culture, the College developed language in the solicitation to highlight these values. Vendors were asked to share how their businesses aligned with these values. While not a part of the evaluation, both vendors have offered three additional deliverables on their own accord. They will offer internships to Broward College students to work within their companies, provide scholarships for their employees to attend the College and evaluate these practices to see how well they can be modeled for the future. *Indeed, those who ensure we have a clean environment will now have the opportunity to benefit from a Broward College education.*



## Pace Center for Girls, AshBritt and Broward College Launch New Emergency Management Program

Pace Center for Girls in Broward County (PACE Broward) has partnered with emergency management and disaster response firm AshBritt and Broward College to launch the new Emergency Management Program, which will become available beginning this fall. The workforce certificate program is designed to familiarize young adults across the county with career opportunities available in the emergency management industry. Students who enroll in the workforce certificate program will be introduced to the principles and practices of emergency management, disaster recovery, and safety regulations. The program will be offered through Broward UP, Broward College's expanded business model designed to improve access to post-secondary education for neighborhoods with disproportionately high unemployment rates, low education attainment, and low household income. The program is open to everyone; however, Pace Broward launched a pilot phase of the workforce certificate program in spring of 2022. This high school version is designed to expand awareness of the program and encourage more women to enter the historically male-dominated industry.

## Faculty and Staff Lend a Hand, Bring Beautification and Fun to Lauderhill Boys and Girls Club for BC Cares Day of Service

On Saturday, April 30, faculty, and staff of the College participated in the third and final BC Cares Day of Service event of the year. The 27 participants volunteered with Lauderhill Boys and Girls Club. They engaged in various service activities, including creating meal packs for the youth, landscaping (planting and mulching), reorganizing the library area, and assembling office furniture. After lunch, the Broward College volunteers participated in a game room tournament with the youth, playing pool, Connect Four, air hockey, and other games. The day ended with an impromptu basketball game in the gym. BC Cares offers college-wide volunteer opportunities to employees throughout the county, making it easier for employees and their families to support local causes.



Volunteers sort books and create meal packs.

## Broward College Village Square Dinner at the Square Event Focuses on School Choice, Public Education

More than 80 participants gathered at Funky Buddha on Wednesday, April 27 for the third and final dinner in the 2021-22 season of the Broward College Village Square to hear panelists explore the topic, “Competition is Good for Customers, but Does It Benefit Our Schools?” Guests heard the opinions of Jon Hage, CEO of Charter Schools USA; Senator Rosalind Osgood, Florida Senate District 33, and former Broward County Public School Board chair; and Joel Satterly, headmaster of Westminster Academy in the spirited debate, moderated by Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, president and CEO of the Children’s Services Council of Broward County. The Village Square is an annual series that provides the public with a safe, comfortable forum to debate diverse issues of local, state, and national importance. Discussions feature community representatives and topic experts of divergent viewpoints.

For more information about the series, please visit [broward.edu/villagesquare](http://broward.edu/villagesquare)



L to R: Panelist Jon Hage, Village Square Co-Chair Chip LaMarca, Moderator Cindy Arenberg Seltzer, Panelist Senator Rosalind Osgood, Panelist Joel Satterly, Vice President Communications and Community Relations Isabel Gonzalez, and Village Square Co-Chair Jack Seiler.



Moderator Cindy Arenberg Seltzer and panelists Jon Hage and Joel Satterly listen as Senator Rosalind Osgood makes a point.

## Broward College Partners with YMCA to Offer Courses to Sistrunk Residents



Fort Lauderdale Commissioner Robert McKinzie, President and CEO of the YMCA South Florida Sheryl Woods and President Haile symbolically cut the ribbon to mark the official opening of Broward College @YMCA as other participants observe.

Broward College will offer classes at the new L.A. Lee YMCA Mizell Community Center located at 1409 NW Sistrunk Blvd. in Fort Lauderdale. The location was officially opened on Friday, May 20 and Broward College will be on the fourth floor of the new building. Broward College@YMCA will allow residents to start with short-term, continuing education courses or what we call non-credit programs that build the student’s confidence and competence. These courses can then be used together to help students earn technical certificates and degrees and provide an advantage in the workforce. The College will host an official opening of the fourth floor with details of services and courses in fall 2022.

## 2022 Broward College World Virtual Conference Focuses on “Overcoming Barriers to Accessing an American Dream Education”

Broward College hosted its 23rd Virtual World Conference for international partners from May 16 to 19. More than 150 people registered for the four-day event, which featured 50 speakers or panelists from Broward College, overseas partners and other U.S. universities. President Haile and Provost Nasse both presented on the opening day. The objective of the virtual gathering is to strengthen relationships between Broward College and its international partners by providing practical, relevant and accurate information for participants about the expectations and requirements for offering a Broward College program at an international location.



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## Broward College Delegates Participate in Racial Equity Leadership Academy Conference

President Haile; Dr. Jeffery Nasse, provost and senior vice president, Academic Affairs; Carmen Ludtke, assistant professor, Teacher Education Program; Esmeralda Sweeney, associate vice president, Student Achievement Initiatives; and Janice Stubbs, vice president, Student Services represented Broward College during the inaugural Racial Equity Leadership Academy (RELA) conference, hosted by Achieving the Dream and the University of Southern California Race and Equity Center in Los Angeles on Wednesday, April 6. This intensive program helps colleges break down barriers and create a welcoming environment for all through strategic planning and actionable solutions. During the program, participants discussed educational models that can provide opportunities for current and prospective students to improve outcomes and tap into their unlimited potential.



L to R: Dr. Jeffrey Nasse, Carmen Ludtke, Esmeralda Sweeney, and Janice Stubbs

## Broward College in the News

### Coast Guard Son Surprises Mom During College Graduation

ABC's World News Tonight with David Muir featured a story on Broward College graduate Jennifer Freeman and her son, Petty Officer Second Class Marcus Roberts of the U.S. Coast Guard, as the closing segment of their Mother's Day newscast on Sunday, May 8. The video captured the moment Roberts made a surprise appearance at his mother's graduation ceremony. Roberts was originally scheduled to be deployed aboard a Coast Guard cutter in Malta during the spring 2022 commencement, but after a scheduling change, he decided to coordinate with Broward College to surprise his mother on her graduation day. The national news segment has accumulated more than 25,000 views on Facebook. The story was also on the front page of the Miami Herald on Friday, May 6 and has appeared in scores of other online and print outlets.

[Read more about Jennifer and Marcus' special moment](#) | [Watch the ABC Person of the Week video](#)

## INFORMING THE COMMUNITY

### Delegates from Broward College Presented Enrollment Strategies, Broward UP and ACUE at the American Association of Community Colleges Annual Conference in New York

On Monday, May 2, President Haile joined Josh Wyner, executive director of the Aspen Institute College Excellence Program and Tess Henthorne, senior program manager, Workforce, the Aspen Institute College Excellence Program to present "Reaching New Populations, Delivering Value, and Reversing Enrollment Declines." Broward College was featured for its strategies that align with best practices identified by Aspen researchers. The success of the Broward UP model was among the highlights on Tuesday, May 3, when Dr. Mildred Coyne, senior vice president Workforce Education and Innovation, and Dr. Jennifer Saint Louis, associate vice president, Partnership Impact, presented a session titled "Achieving Unlimited Potential – A New Community-Based Education Model." The session introduced Broward College's innovative post-secondary education model, impact, and growth to a national audience of higher education practitioners interested in replication in their communities. At the conference, Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Jeffery Nasse, Professor Lisa Burgess, and Melissa Zantello from ACUE presented on the College's partnership with ACUE on Effective Teaching Practices for faculty and staff and how this has improved student achievement gaps. Also, President Haile was recognized as a finalist for the inaugural AACC CEO of the Year at the Awards of Excellence Gala held during the conference.



President Haile with Broward College attendees at the AACC Conference.

## President Haile Delivers Message of Perseverance at 16th Annual Scholar's Breakfast - HANDY, Inc.

The Scholars Breakfast recognizes scholarship recipients from foster, relative, and non-relative care who have beat the odds and recently graduated from college. The 16th Annual Scholars Breakfast was held on Friday, May 20, at the Fort Lauderdale Marriott Harbor Beach Resort & Spa. The approximately 250 guests included sponsors, donors, friends of HANDY, family members of HANDY youth, C-suite executives, HANDY board members, family members of the honorees, and others who have supported the agency. President Haile delivered an address to attendees in which he shared four key lessons from his journey of overcoming personal obstacles. The event also honored the Champions of Children who support HANDY.



## President Haile Participates in Educational Advisory Board Virtual Seminar for Aspiring College and University Presidents

The role of the presidency in business and academic institutions was the subject of the Educational Advisory Board's (EAB) Future Presidents Intensive. President Haile served as a panelist in the virtual seminar, which was held on Wednesday, April 6. He joined fellow presidents to offer guidance to rising leaders from across higher education who are tracking toward presidency positions in their future. The EAB's Future Presidents Intensive offers virtual and in-person seminars designed to foster upward mobility of leadership across higher education. The first series for presidents and provosts was held in the summer of 2020 and expanded to support additional institutional leaders in 2021.



Top centered: President Haile during his presentation.

## Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance Mid-Year Meeting Featured Remarks by President Haile and Former Governor Jeb Bush



Broward College staff and trustee with Jeb Bush.

President Haile was among the many distinguished guests who participated in the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance mid-year meeting at the Seminole Hard Rock and Casino in Hollywood on Friday, May 20. Presented by Florida Power and Light and the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization, the event brought together South Florida business and government leaders to discuss new ways of creating capital investment in high value targeted industries, developing more vibrant communities and improving the quality of life for Broward County residents. Approximately 600 people were in attendance. In his remarks, President Haile, who serves as vice-chair of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance Board, shared highlights of how the Alliance's partners strengthened and diversified the county's economy this year. Other speakers

at the mid-year meeting included Broward County Mayor Michael Udine; President and CEO of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance Bob Swindell, and County Commissioner Monica Cepero, who appeared via video feed. The event's keynote speaker was the former governor of Florida Jeb Bush, who advocated for the return of civil political discourse, discussed the value of education, and touted local business leaders' investments during the first half of 2022.

## More than 300 Attend Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance Prosperity Partnership Housing Affordability Summit at Broward College

President Haile gave the opening remarks when Broward County civic leaders and housing experts convened at Broward College's A. Hugh Adams Central Campus in Davie on Thursday, May 5, for the first ever Housing Affordability Summit. The event was hosted with the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance as part of their Prosperity Partnership initiative. More than 300 people were in attendance. Representatives from Broward County municipalities, private developers, and nonprofit leaders provided concepts for addressing the entire continuum of housing, from homelessness to affordable housing. In addition to homelessness and housing, the Prosperity Partnership expands its focus to nine other civic areas: industry growth, education, talent attraction and retention, community branding, social justice and racial equity, economic mobility, entrepreneurship, transportation, and resiliency.

## President Haile Shares Impact of Broward UP at Florida TaxWatch Spring Board Meeting

Florida TaxWatch, an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit taxpayer research institute and government watchdog for 40 years, audited Broward UP and concluded that every dollar invested provided \$9.27 return to the student and \$13.13 return to the state. Florida Tax Watch further stated: “We recommend policy makers incorporate the Broward UP framework as a model for the rest of the state.” On Wednesday, May 11, at the Florida Tax Watch spring board meeting, President Haile shared how Broward College and Broward were able to come together to make such an extraordinary county impact. Florida TaxWatch works to improve the productivity and accountability of the Florida government. Its research recommends productivity enhancements and explains the statewide impact of fiscal and economic policies on residents and businesses, including those in the education sector, such as Broward UP.



Florida TaxWatch board members.

## STUDENT NEWS

### Student Shannon Escoriza Wins National ADDY® in the American Advertising Awards

Shannon Escoriza, an Associate of Science student, was awarded an ADDY Award in the American Advertising Awards’ National Competition for her entry “Thorn Annual Report.” She is the first-ever student from Broward College to win an ADDY Award at the national level. Earlier this year, six students were honored with 18 ADDY awards, including four gold, nine silver, two Judge’s Choice, Best of Brand, Best of Packaging, and Best of Publication Design by the local Fort Lauderdale chapter. The winners moved on to the district awards, where they received three gold and three silver ADDY awards which represents Florida and the Caribbean. The American Advertising Awards is one of the industry’s most prominent creative competitions, attracting nearly 30,000 professional and student entries each year through competitions offered through local AAF clubs.



Shannon Escoriza

### Broward College Team Remains Undefeated at Florida College System Activities Association Brain Bowl Southern Regional Competition

The Brain Bowl team was named Southern Regional Champion for the sixth year at the 2022 Florida College System Activities Association (FCSAA) Brain Bowl state tournament at the College of Central Florida in Ocala. The competition took place from Thursday, April 24 through Saturday, April 26. This year’s team included veteran player and Captain Deandre Nelson, along with new members Anna Romanenko, Renee Prentice-Ochoa, Melaina Lawrence, and Nya Hutchinson. The Broward College team won several games on the first day of competition, but after close losses, was knocked out of contention for the state champion title. Captain Deandre Nelson won an individual high scorer award, which resulted in Broward College being named Southern Regional Champions. In addition, all Broward College team members were named to the FCSAA Academic All-Stars for 2021-22.



L to R: Advisor Tony DeLia, with students Jenny Jean Mary, Anna Romanenko, and team captain Deandre Nelson.

### Outstanding Criminal Justice Student Award Ceremony

The Criminal Justice Department of the Institute of Public Safety held its first annual Outstanding Criminal Justice Student Award Ceremony on Friday, April 22. There were 10 award recipients, and eight were able to attend the ceremony with their loved ones. Students of the criminal justice program were nominated by both full-time and adjunct faculty. Captain Stacy Jurgens, the first woman captain in the history of the Pembroke Pines Police Department, served as the guest speaker and shared with attendees the importance of finding one’s why. Students received their awards alongside their guests, many of whom were family members, as a symbol of the collective journey to their success.





MARCELLA CARABELLI

Marcella Carabelli started her career at Broward College in January 1976 as a Biology professor teaching biological sciences courses at North Campus. From 1981 to 1987, she served as the department chair for Science and Wellness also on North Campus. After a six-year tenure, she returned to teaching as a senior professor of Biology until her retirement in May 2022.

FOUNDATION NEWS

The 34th Annual Broward College Golf Classic Raises More Than \$114,000 for the Empowerment Fund

The Empowerment Fund provides the greatest flexibility for facilitating programming and scholarship support to benefit students and enables the College to respond to emerging critical needs to support student success. The 34th Annual Golf Classic at the Fort Lauderdale Country Club, on Monday, April 11, raised more than \$114,000 in support of the Broward College Empowerment Fund. Golf Classic Chair Lloyd Rhodes, who also serves on the Broward College Foundation Board, led the committee comprised of staff members Lorne Cleaver, Elisa Stone, Terri Justice, Jack Paltani, Daniel Riosecco, Deborah Czubkowski, Marla Stenger, Mark Van Dyke, and Ken Tate. Lorne Cleaver was recognized for his support of the Golf Classic at the event. He is retiring after 35 years of service to Broward College. He has been an integral committee member for many years and remains dedicated to supporting Broward College students through the tournament. Participants in this year’s Golf Classic included Terry Kirby, NFL player for Miami Dolphins; Paul Wilson, golf professional; and Alonzo Mourning, NBA Hall of Famer and vice president, Miami Heat.



L to R: Golf Classic First Place South Course Champions Melvin Roane, Terry Kirby, Paul Wilson, and Alonzo Mourning.



L to R: Golf Classic First Place North Course Champions, Kibler Construction: Beau Beckett, Kris Kibler, Nancy O'Donnell Botero and Bob Cavanaugh



L to R: Will Holcombe, Harrison Rein, Ray Casey, and Lorne Cleaver

PeerForward Awards \$50,000 for Emergency Aid to Students in the Peer Mentoring Program

To address the financial hardships that Peer Mentoring and Leadership program students have faced due to the COVID-19 pandemic, PeerForward and one of its donors created the PeerForward/Greenwald Leadership Scholarship fund. The donation of \$50,000 is an unprecedented effort to provide student mentees in need with up to \$750 in emergency grants and will go into effect during the summer term. Broward College’s PeerForward program supports students identified as being at risk of not persisting in their education. One Peer Leader is matched with up to 15 mentees, primarily based on their educational pathway. Peer Leaders leverage PeerForward’s Reporting App to provide tailored interventions for mentees. Broward College and PeerForward staff provide coaching, skills development, resource sharing, and supervision throughout the mentorship process.



Representatives of the Broward College Foundation, staff, students and representatives of Peer Forward during the check handover at the College on Wednesday, April 30.

## Dr. Richard Pulido Welcomed as New Faculty Senate President

President Haile officially welcomed Associate Professor of Education Dr. Richard Pulido as the new Faculty Senate President during the Board of Trustees meeting on Tuesday, May 24. He takes over from Dr. Amanda Thibodeau, associate professor, English. With a career in education that spans more than 30 years, Dr. Pulido has held positions as both a secondary and higher education administrator. He also is a successful businessman, and was elected in his hometown of Miami Lakes as Vice Mayor. He has worked for various nonprofits in the field of community engagement and philanthropy in areas serving youth education, foster children, and homeless populations.



Dr. Richard Pulido

## Broward College Board of Trustees Hears Presentations on Preliminary Fiscal Year 2023 Budget

The Board of Trustees received an overview of the 2022-23 fiscal budget from Caleb Cornelius, vice president, Finance. Strategic priorities for the budget proposal include stabilization of student and operational investments, expanded review of organizational efficiencies, and care for Broward College employees. The budget for the upcoming fiscal year takes into account additional state-appropriated recurring funds of \$4.8 million and a state-delegated contribution of \$950,000 of Florida Retirement System expenses. Other factors considered were nationwide enrollment challenges at the state and community college level and high inflation. The General Operating Fund Budgeted Recurring Revenue for Fiscal Year 2023 is expected to be \$173.4 million, consisting of \$96.9 million of funding from the state, \$67.6 million from tuition fees, and \$8.9 million from other revenue.

## Board Authorizes Purchase of 33-foot RV for Use as Innovation STEM Mobile Unit

The Board authorized a bid waiver and agreement with Farber Specialty Vehicles for the purchase of a 33-foot RV to be used as an Innovation STEM (iSTEM) Mobile Unit, a traveling education center that will offer experiential learning experiences at local high schools and within Broward UP communities. Dr. Jamonica Rolle, vice provost, Academic Affairs, who presented the proposal, said the unit is a component of the College's Title III grant received in 2021, with the purpose of bolstering the pipeline of Information Technology graduates.



## Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF) Activity Update

VP Cornelius provided the Board with an update on the College's use of HEERF, enacted two years ago to provide emergency financial aid grants to students and allow institutions to expand remote learning programs and information technology capacity. Among the noteworthy updates is a U.S. Department of Education no-cost extension of the HEERF performance period through June 30, 2022. Since receiving the funds, Broward College has completed several grant activities, including Student Emergency Aid (\$81.1 million); offering Student Emergency Childcare (\$3.6 million); Student Tuition and Fee Refunds (\$2.3 million); Loss Revenue Recovery for the Fiscal Year 2020 and Fiscal Year 2021 (\$32.9 million); Device, Network, and Telephony Upgrades (\$18 million); Online Course Redesign and Development (\$12.7 million); and Streaming and Learning Classroom Upgrades (\$5 million). HEERF-funded programs that are currently in progress include Student Wraparound Support (\$5 million); North Campus Chiller and Air Handler Maintenance (\$3.5 million); Curriculum and Course Analytics (\$1.9 million); Cybersecurity Upgrades (\$1.3m million); and Digital Signage upgrades (\$1 million). Other ongoing HEERF-funded work includes Financial Aid Outreach, Retention Outreach, Contact Tracing and Virtual Student Services.

### Policy Changes

At the May meeting, the Board approved the following policy changes. Please click on the link for details.

**Policy 6Hx2-3.55 Criminal Justice Information Handling and Storage**

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**Policy 6Hx2-4.19 Grades and Grade Appeals**

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**Policy 6Hx2-4.21 Deletion of Courses from College Curriculum**

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**Policy 6Hx2-5.10 Veterans and Active Duty Benefits and Services**

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**Policy 6Hx2-6.16 Collection of Funds Owed to the College**

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**Policy 6Hx2-6.45 Refund of Tuition and Fees**

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**Policy 6Hx2-6.46 Policy Refund of Title IV Funds**

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**Policy 6Hx2-7.03 Physical Plant, Sites, and Facilities**

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**Policy 6Hx2-7.10 Changes in Construction After Award of Contract**

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**Policy 6Hx2-7.12 Construction of Facilities and combined with Policy 6Hx2-7.15 Compliance with the Florida Building Code**

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**Policy 6Hx2-7.11 Safety, Sanitation, and Fire Inspection of Property**

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**Policy 6Hx2-7.14 Regulation of Smoking in Facilities and combined with Policy 6Hx2-7.21**

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**Policy 6Hx2-7.15 Compliance with the Florida Building Code & State Requirements for Educational Facilities**

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**Policy 6Hx2-7.17 Sustainable Landscape Policy and Use of Native Materials**

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**Policy 6Hx2-7.19 Recycling Policy**

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**Policy 6Hx2-7.21 Tobacco-Free and Smoke-Free Environment**

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