

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS (Matt Janisin)

Burlington Center

Nearly 50 students received their CPR Certification as part of the Summer EMT Class and are now working towards becoming a Nationally Registered EMT by August.



School of Business and Transportation

As part of the investment announcement, Brad Smith, President of Microsoft conducted 2 interviews from the Horizon Center, one live with CNN and the other taped with WTMJ.



School of Liberal Arts and Sciences

On May 20th Clarke Griffin started his role as the Associate Dean-School of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

School of Health

Construction continues on the new health wing on the Elkhorn Campus.

The SoH has started working on enrollment for fall semester. We're seeing increases in enrollment across the majority of our programs.

Respiratory Therapy - The first step in accreditation approval is to submit a Letter of Intent package for approval. That package has been completed and submitted to the accrediting body. This required input from local clinical partners who all eagerly took part in the process.

School of Manufacturing, Engineering and Information Technology

Construction continues in the Welding and AMT areas on the Elkhorn Campus. The school of MEIT is continuing to work on enrollment for the fall semester, which is looking promising.

On May 2, 2024, the school of MEIT had its annual Sumo Bot competition at the iMET Center. There were multiple middle and high school students that participated from our tri-county areas.

Various MEIT Instructors and staff members from the iMET Center (Fab Lab and LID staff included) participated in the Whitewater Unified School District (WWUSD) Robotics STEAM Faireas various *community organizations and companies with a STEAM focus provided a plethora of STEAM activities for kids and adults.*

MEIT Administrators and Instructors participated and served as judges in the KTEC 2024 Science and Engineering Fair.

Program Effectiveness

On 5/21/24, the WTCS Board granted full program approval of the Dental Hygiene AAS degree. By mid-summer, a team of college experts will gather to finalize the new program implementation plan to include the utilization of State grant funds to support renovation and equipment needs. Work will also commence on alignment with preliminary accreditation approval from the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA).

The Program Effectiveness team continues to support faculty in their finalization of the 2023-24 annual student assessment plans. As of 5/31/24, 93% (75 out of 81 programs) of annual student assessment plans were completed. The remaining six program areas are receiving targeted support to ensure their plans are completed by mid-June.

Grants office

The college has been awarded a Scale of Adoption grant from WTCS to enhance post-secondary access for students. This funding will expand the VIP Admit program to include more schools within our district. Additionally, we have received the State grant to support the new Dental Hygiene Program. These funds will be allocated towards outfitting space on the Racine campus to accommodate and support this new program.

The Grants Office recently submitted an AEFL Leadership grant to WTCS to hire additional ESL (English as a Second Language) instructors to offer 24 additional ESL course sections across Gateway's campus locations over the 2024-2025 academic year. WTCS is making this grant available to colleges due to the high demand for ESL courses. The College is also working on a grant application to WTCS to address changes in waitlist policies anticipated due to the new TCS10 regulations.

Institutional Research/Organizational Excellence

The Institutional Research and Organizational Excellence team attended the statewide Institutional Research Committee spring meeting. It was a great opportunity to meet and collaborate with colleagues around the system. Michelle Borckardt is currently serving as the chair of the statewide group.

Gateway is in the process of renewing its data sharing agreement with UW-Parkside as part of the ASPEN-AASCU Transfer Student Success Intensive, which promotes partnerships between universities and community colleges to strengthen transfer

pathways. Sharing this data will allow Gateway and Parkside to align on a shared vision and cross-institutional implementation for transfer reform. Sean Riordan is coordinating the data sharing with UW-Parkside's institutional research staff.

Robbin Vester is participating in the Integrated Postsecondary Data System (IPEDS) Consistency Work Group of WTCS colleges. This group has brainstormed issues and questions for the National Center for Education Statistics in order to realize more consistency in reporting amongst WTCS colleges. Colleges work independently on this Federal reporting and can interpret requirements differently. The purpose of this group is to create more consistency so the data reporting is comparable amongst WTCS colleges and can be used for benchmarking.

High School Partnerships

ACTE Work-Based Learning Conference:

- High School Partnerships Team and local high school partners participated in the ACTE Work-Based Learning Conference held in Milwaukee. Gateway Youth Apprentices had the privilege of participating in the student panel, showcasing their experiences and the benefits of our programs. This platform provided valuable exposure for our students and highlighted the success of our work-based learning initiatives.

High School Administrator Breakfast:

- We hosted a successful High School Administrator Breakfast, focusing on several key topics including new programs, workforce trends, dual credit, recruitment, financial aid, and VIP Direct Admit. This event was an excellent opportunity to engage with our high school partners, discuss the latest developments, and strengthen our collaborative efforts.

National Youth Apprenticeship Week:

- We celebrated our first National Youth Apprenticeship Week in collaboration with the Department of Workforce Development, Precision Plus, and SPX Flow. This event underscored our commitment to work-based learning and apprenticeships, providing students with valuable hands-on experiences.

State Superintendent

- We welcomed the State Superintendent, Dr. Jill Underly, to the HERO Center alongside Burlington High School, where we showcased our dual credit programs and Fire/EMS programs.

BUSINESS & WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS (Matthew Janisin)

Kenosha Correctional Center (KCC) kicked off its 6th Cohort of CNC Certification Training on May 6th with 12 men registered for the courses. The training program runs 25 weeks, and most of the participants work in the industry while attending classes from 5pm - 10pm in the evening. In addition to the CNC training program courses, the students also learn soft skills, test taking strategies, strengths, resume building and interviewing techniques. They also build job boards for a reverse job fair that is hosted at iMET at the completion of each CNC Cohort.

Racine Correctional Institution (RCI) started their 17th Cohort of CNC Certification Training. The student's at RCI are training in a mobile lab that was recently replaced with a brand new CNC outfitted, 52' long trailer. With the addition of laptop computers to this program, these students will also gain multiple NC3 certifications, including Starrett and Tormach, and will be exposed to MasterCam CAD/CAM software.

Robert E. Ellsworth Correctional Center (REECC) completed its 12th cohort of CNC Operators with 11 students gaining their credential. The completion ceremony was held at Gateway's iMET Center Auditorium with Ray Woodruff, WI DOC Reentry Director, providing remarks on behalf of the DOC. With the completion of this cohort, BWS has to date successfully trained and credentialed 126 REECC ladies, all who received the CNC Operator Certification. The 13th cohort of CNC training begins in late June, 2024.

Apprenticeship Signing Ceremony at SC Johnson iMET Center

Several employers in southeast Wisconsin have united to tackle the talent shortage in the information technology field. They have partnered to sponsor an IT Service Desk Apprenticeship program to train future IT professionals and open up career opportunities in the industry. Registered Apprenticeships are a proven training model that can enhance job quality and create pathways to well-paying jobs. The local committee, in collaboration with Gateway Technical College, Kenosha Area Business Alliance, and the state of Wisconsin's Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards, hosted an apprenticeship-signing ceremony on May 9, at the S.C. Johnson iMet Center to showcase the apprentices and raise awareness within the industry.





WCEDA Workforce Summit

Leadership and Supervision Instructor Liz Oplatka represented Gateway and BWS at Walworth County's May 7 event titled "Unlock Your Competitive Edge: Harness Local Resources for Innovative Training in Talent Attraction and Retention!" Liz served as a panel member, focusing on the complexities of attracting and retaining the best possible workforce. Roughly 50 Walworth County companies and organizations were represented at the event.



Gateway Industrial Design Fab Lab



Sumobot 2024

Gateway held its annual Sumo Bot competition this month, and Fab Lab was there to assist. This year 30 teams from the tri-county educational area competed for awards in dexterity, speed and sumo, where robots knock each other off a table.



Fab Lab CNC carved a new control gate for slalom, and assisted with track set up. The Lab also covered robot check in and storage, ran the maintenance tables, and engraved the awards.



REECC Projects

Fab Lab assisted Ellsworth Cohort with coasters, plaques, and gifts.

Scottish Exchange Students

Fab Lab hosted students from Scotland interested in engineering careers in both architecture and coding. Students got to experience 3D printers, laser engraving, and CNC routers, making personalized gifts to take home. They even got to play the Metallica guitars!



Raymond School High Interest Day

Gateway Industrial design Fab Lab participated for the second year in Raymond School's High Interest day. The session paired pre-K and second graders as they used Kids Lab Kits for the tree house challenge. Teams designed and built fantasy tree houses, and in the interim provided Fab Lab with an opportunity to conduct more pre-K

outreach. Raymond School's Zoe Rodriguez is one of the instructors interested in the fall pilot for Pre-K to 6th STEM initiative. Fab Lab looks forward to future collaboration.



Whitewater STEAM Day

Adam Reed, Thaddeus Cellak and David Aguirre, participated in hands-on demonstrations of industrial robots, 3D printing, industry training kits, and Jetson the robotic dog.

Laser Engraving

May is awards season, a time of the year the Fab Lab is busy creating and engraving personalized awards to be given out by a variety of people.

- REAL School Teacher Appreciation
- LEA Graduation
- Foundation Golf Centerpieces

Open for Tours

The Fab Lab was on hand to give tours and answer questions from families and friends attending completion ceremonies for the STEM Scholars graduation, Promise Program, and the REECC Graduation.

Gateway Industrial Design Fab Lab was also host to visiting educators from Jackson-Madison School District and neighbor and local business partner Kerry Industries. Kerry Industries is planning to utilize the Lab for a family fun night, where employees and their children can learn all about the amazing careers Gateway has to offer, while doing hands-on activities. We look to future collaboration with Kerry as we explore 3D printing applications in food!

AoR STEM Event Park High School



Gateway Industrial Design Fab Lab participated in an Academy of Racine event with Mitchell School. Sixty students visited iMET Center where they experienced robots, CNC and got a chance to run a 3D print in the Fab Lab. Fab Lab has collaborated with Mitchell in the past and is looking to assist as they move forward integrating STEM into their curriculum.

Faculty Teaching and Learning Caucus

The FTLC is meeting with Matt Janisin on Monday, June 10th to further solidify and discuss administration's view of the role of the FTLC. We look forward to having transparent communications about the compensation study, the 2028 strategic plan, and the future of the FTLC. Our next meeting of the full caucus is scheduled for June 14.

In January new members joined the FTLC. They are:

David Boyd – SLA&S

Kelly Brand – B&T

Nicole Dutton – SLA&S

Nicolas Gaede – B&T

Heidi Gottfried - Health (Starting her second term)

Courtney Greve – SOPAS (Starting her second term)

Tracey Junkin – SOPAS (Starting her second term)

Allen Pearson – MEIT (Starting his second term)

We look forward to the contribution our new and second term members will make to the FTLC.

COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS (Stephanie Sklba)

Community and Government Relations

Foundation

Marketing

WGTD

WGTD's brand officially switched from "NPR News & Classical Music" to "WPR News" on May 20th when a realignment of Wisconsin Public Radio's networks occurred. Reaction has been mostly positive. The handful of complaints that were received were from people who weren't aware of the change, despite heavy advance publicity, and were a bit befuddled by the array of options that exist for pulling in classical music. I encourage anyone who has questions to contact me, Dave Cole, either at 262-564-3030 or by email at coled@gtc.edu. For the record, I believe the WPR realignment is a good move not only for Wisconsin Public Radio but for WGTD specifically.

LEARNING INNOVATION DIVISION (Jeff Robshaw)

Information Systems

Financial Aid requirements necessitated applying updates to Colleague, Self Service,

and WebAPI. Self Service has been updated to version 3.2 and WebAPI to 2.2.1.

The implementation of eTranscripts is in progress. eTranscripts will allow students to request and transfer their transcripts digitally.

Information Systems is supporting the Moonshot for Equity project by providing requested reporting.

Seven I.S. servers are being upgraded because their current Operating System is nearing end of support.

Information Technology

We are beginning to onboard production systems and accounts into our new Privileged Access Management system. This system will enhance security of critical accounts and systems by providing secure access, password rotation, and auditing.

With our edge switch replacement project completed, the Network and Infrastructure teams are currently planning a deployment schedule for replacement campus distribution layer switches. The goal will be to complete this rollout prior to the Fall 2024 semester.

Throughout the summer we will be working closely with the Endpoint Technology team to deploy our new endpoint security software suite to the college's computer fleet. This project must be completed prior to December 2024 to ensure all computers will have adequate security coverage and monitoring.

End User Computing and Distance Learning

Racine and iMET computer techs are working on moving the Mac lab from Racine to iMET. New Mac computers have been delivered and we are in the process of preparing them for the Fall Semester. Elkhorn will have their mac lab updated as well.

Multimedia equipment installation has been completed in Haribo Hall in Kenosha. This project included the installation of 2- 165" LED panel arrays in the front of the room, along with the installation of new speakers, microphones, and controls. The room also had a number of holes and electrical plates patched and painted. There will be additional aesthetic updates made to the room in the coming months.

The endpoint team is working on a number of projects, including provisioning Windows 11 Engineering computers, the transition off of old security to new tools on computers that will not be reprovisioned by the end of the year, and provisioning new equipment that is received.

ENROLLMENT (Stacy Riley)

STUDENT AFFAIRS (Stacy Riley)

Admissions

The Admissions team had a busy month of May processing documents and applications for the start of the Summer Semester.

608 applications submitted in the one month prior to the start of Summer Term (April 6th-May 6th)

445 applications completed in the one month prior to the start of the Summer Term (April 6th-May 6th) (445 represents total applications completed during one month prior to start of term regardless of submission date (prior to 5/6/2024)).

310/608 *51%* of those that submitted in the one month prior to the start of the term completed during this time frame as well.

275 applications submitted in the 2 weeks prior to the start of Summer Term (April 23rd to May 6th)

192 applications completed in the 2 weeks prior to the start of Summer Term (April 23rd to May 6th) (192 represents total applications completed during the two weeks prior to start of term regardless of submission date.

109/275 *39%* of those that submitted in the two weeks prior to the start of the term completed during this time frame as well)

291 applications were submitted on or AFTER the start of the Summer Term with an intended Start term of Summer (May 6- May 31)

258 applications were completed AFTER the start of Summer Term with an intended Start term of Summer (May 6- May 31) (258 represents total applications completed after the start of the term regardless of submission date.

155/291 *53%* of those that submitted on or after the start of the term completed during this time frame as well)

approx 26% of all applications submitted for Summer were submitted in one month prior to the start of the Summer term. 2322 total applications total submitted for Summer 2024 Term

827 Applications were submitted in the Month of May (676 were WFE and 151 were Program Modification Apps), 852 including lost.

New Student Specialist (NSS)

During the month of May, the NSS team wrapped up their time visiting the high schools for the year and continued to meet with adult students both on campus, on the phone, and online. Besides one on one appointments, the team also hosted several Get Ready

Application workshops to assist groups of students through the application process at the same time. Members of the team hosted several individual and group tours at the campuses and centers for interested students and their families as well as school groups like Tremper Horticulture students and Mitchell Community School's visit to the iMET center. In the community, the NSS team also hosted and participated in a variety of events, including both nights of Gateway's Graduation Commencement ceremonies, the annual Sumo Bot competition, the Cinco De Mayo parade in Delavan and the Acelero School's Family Engagement Network Meeting in Racine.

Financial Aid

During the month of May the financial team were busy processing financial aid files for 24-25 and continuing to create documents and input triggers for students with the StudentForms platform. 863 students were packaged aid offers during the month. Sixty-five Financial Aid SAP and M150 Maximum Timeframe appeals were processed.

Student Finance Specialists (SFS)

During the month of May the SFS team has seen an influx of student appointments and phone calls. The SFS needed to quickly adjust their availability, and offered more appointment times to support the 624 appointments that varied from in person to virtual. The SFS also added additional phone/email coverage to their calendars to support the 1,546 phone calls from students due to the fafsa delay. To remain a collective and to ensure that the messaging was the same throughout the campuses, they created canned email, and voicemail responses that would be delivered to students. The SFS also sent out communication for other departments to have students attend the Application/FAFSA workshops on campus.

Registrar

Academic Advising

With the start of the Summer 2024 term, Advisors worked with students to troubleshoot any registration or course issues they may have had. Many Advisors learned more about our new LMS system, Brightspace in May as well. Advisors also continue to reach out to newly admitted students to encourage them to register for the Fall 2024 semester. Advisors were recognized during the May 22nd Board Meeting for their efforts, and had lunch with President Raju. The Academic Advising team sincerely appreciates the recognition and enjoyed their lunch with the President.

Tutoring Services

As the college moves through the beginning of the summer semester, Tutoring is assisting students as they work through questions with Brightspace, as they navigate a new LMS software. Tutoring Services is also working in conjunction with the math department to pilot an embedded tutoring structure this semester in some sections of

QR. The Tutoring Services team plans to explore embedded tutoring in 3 different modalities, asynchronous, synchronous, and in-person, with various math instructors.

Libraries

Library staff reviewed and provided feedback on ILS (Integrated Library Systems) for Rachel Rohlf and Gary Flynn to bring to the WISPALS consortia. Additionally, the summer semester has kicked off well in the library. Between May 6th and May 29th - the staff completed 817 Transactions with 167 being related to LID Device distribution.

Student Life

After welcoming new students to the USG leadership team, the Student Life staff assisted in interviewing a new student trustee. We are proud to announce that Andrea Nunez has taken over this role. Student Life staff coordinated the volunteers for this year's commencement ceremonies. The USG team attended the National Conference on Race and Ethnicity (NCORE). This was a conference dedicated to better understanding issues surrounding race and ethnicity in higher education. Over the summer Student Life has plans to hold weeklong giveaways and activities for students district wide.

Learning Success Coaches

The Nursing Learning Success Coach has had a busy start to the semester with one-on-one coaching meetings with students, visiting classrooms to present mini workshops on test taking, study, and time management strategies, and being present during Fundamentals and CHA 1 classes as an embedded tutor. The Learning Success Coach for Business Management and Human Services has been working with Intro to Human Service and Substance Abuse Counselor instructors to launch embedded tutoring into the courses. The focus is to provide individualized attention and assistance for students during class. This new focus allows for the Learning Success coach to serve as a tutor helping to motivate students' participation and engagement in the classroom or lab, as well as help to provide additional support for students during activities. The Learning success coach will be working collaboratively with two instructors for the summer semester in the classroom/lab to support students.

Impact Program

Testing

Career & Employment Services (CES)

CES Engaged in the following activities during the preceding month: RUSD 9th Grade tours - CES collaborated with RUSD, Faculty and departments for 3 days of events that showcased various programs and departments to help educate prospective students of the many programs and services available; CES in collaboration with BWS toured AbbVie and discussed future collaboration opportunities surrounding specialized

training and future workforce needs; members of CES met with the Kenosha Colleges career centers to discuss opportunities for continued collaborations surrounding events and professional development for employers; RUSD College Tours - 1110 students, 40 RUSD chaperones, and 50 Gateway Volunteers, were involved with the 3 day events on the Racine campus; CES staff coordinated, oversaw and provided tour guide services; CES toured the SC Johnson Waxdale manufacturing campus with the Advisors, Admissions, and Recruitment. We learned about the operations of the plant and the many career opportunities our students have in the automation/advanced manufacturing field, and job opportunities in their corporate office. Many Gateway alumni who currently work at SCJ Waxdale were encountered while touring.

OFFICE OF DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION (DEI)

D365 (Jomarie Coloriano)



Taste of Asia - A Thai Culinary and Chinese Culture Journey



The Gateway community came together to explore the rich and vibrant culture of China, as Hanie Yee shared her expertise and personal stories that shed light on the country's customs, traditions, and history. Through her engaging presentation, attendees gained a deeper understanding and appreciation of Chinese culture, dispelling any misconceptions and myths that may have existed. The event was a unique opportunity to build cultural awareness and foster a sense of unity and mutual respect.

The program also featured delicious Thai cuisine, allowing attendees to experience the bold flavors and aromas of this popular cuisine. The culinary delight added an extra layer of excitement and enjoyment as participants savored each dish and learned about the cultural significance behind the food.

In addition to hearing from Hanie Yee and enjoying Thai cuisine, attendees were able to learn about Japanese culture. Karin Migut brought in the kimono and geta (traditional footwear worn with the kimono) worn by her grandmother during WWII while residing in Japan, and the geta that her father wore when he was 5 years old. Attendees were able to learn about the several pieces and clothing involved in wearing a kimono.



- Kimono - Main outer garment (can be made from a variety of materials including, cotton, linen, wool, and silk).
- Obi - The outermost sash that is tied around a kimono. The knot can be tied in a variety of decorative ways, which can have various meanings and symbolism.
- Juban - A type of undergarment used specifically with kimono.
- Koshi-himo - A sash that is tied at the waist to secure the kimono in place.
- Datejime - A belt that is fastened over the kimono, but under the obi, which helps the obi keep its shape.
- Tabi - Socks explicitly made to be worn with traditional Japanese footwear. The toe area is split into two sections.
- Geta - These are some of the traditional types of footwear worn with kimono, resembling modern sandals.

Veteran Support Services (Edwardo Vargas)

Continued supporting incoming and current military, veteran and dependent students.

Attended The United States Hispanic Leadership Conference in Chicago IL. I attended military workshops that discussed supporting veterans and recruitment challenges. I networked with veterans from the Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan wars. Also met the Army's head officer of Diversity and Equity of ROTC.



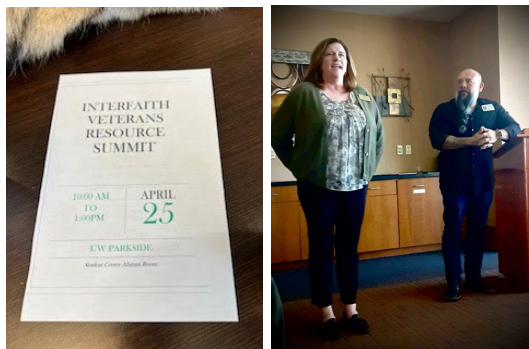
April allowed for a few distinct events. Along with members of the D365 committee, a Suicide Awareness table was set up at the three main campuses. We also sold shirts for the Student Veterans Club fundraiser.



Was invited to guest speak and facilitate at the UW Parkside Multicultural Professional day to enhance students educational experience for academic success from a military and academic viewpoint.



The Multicultural Veterans Alliance hosted an Interfaith Veterans Resource Summit where I was able to share the support Gateway offers our veteran and military community. Representatives from different faiths joined us to learn about how we can help their congregants.



Along with members of the Diversity 365 Veterans Subcommittee, we handed out Veteran Cords at Graduation.



TALENT & CULTURE (Jacqueline Morris)

The Talent & Culture Team developed official hire date parameters for instructors. There was a disconnect between NFL (New Faculty Leadership), benefits, and payroll for an instructor's start date and how to properly pay that employee. There is now an a parameter in place on selecting a start date for a new instructor and how NFL will be paid to that new instructor.

Selina Bohn, Al Jelinek, and Heather Halbach looked at how the Personnel Information Sheet process could be simplified and improved. The old process required Heather to input that data, Selina to sign off on the data, and Heather to send out the data to the proper parties. This was causing a back log and additional work out of Compensation. The new process eliminates one step and combines another. Heather will now be inputting data into the form and sending it out directly to the parties that need the information. A process was also developed to address the needs of the auditor when reviewing evidence for salary change. (Which is why the old process had three steps).

Heather Hallbach offered training at May's Supervisors Training in relation to FMLA compliance. This included triggers supervisors needed to be aware of and when the hand-off to Talent & Culture should take place.

Benefits met with the Employer Clinic staff to review first quarter data of clinic utilization. So far in 2024 our clinic usage is up 5% from 2023. We discussed marketing strategies and ways to promote the employee clinic.

Michelle Ruiz attended the 2024 Payroll Congress in Nashville, TN and shared information with other attendees. The future is A.I. (Artificial Intelligence). Payroll is using A.I. more and more, but it won't take over a human doing the payroll work.



Heather Halbach participated in the Medicare Coordination with Employer Sponsored Coverage event to learn more of how Medicare of spouses coordinated with Gateway's insurance. Takeaways included: which benefit applies first when both benefits are in force and how employers can help retirees and their spouses navigate Medicare.

Open enrollment effective 7/1/2024 closed on 5/17/2024. The changes have been processed through Gateway's system and in the benefit companies' portals.

Jacqueline Morris attended the African American Female Initiative Luncheon (AAFI) for Kenosha Unified students. She was invited to attend the end of year celebration and was able to visit with the students and share her leadership journey. The purpose of the African American Female Initiative is to support young women of African descent toward higher levels of academic performance in a K-12 setting. A main objective of the Initiative is to assist African American females in their persistence toward college readiness and completion.

Several members of the Talent & Culture team attended the graduation ceremony on both nights to represent the department and our commitment to recruit, retain, and graduate our students.

Leadership Kenosha is a professional development program that connects participants to community organizations, issues and leaders, building their network while developing essential leadership skills. Both Heather Halbach and Nastasya Rodriguez participated along with Magan Perez, Jacqueline Morris, Lisa Guerrero, Gaby Iirbarren from the Talent & Culture team.



Denise Schneider, Ann Fredriksson, and Paul Aceto (Training & Development team) worked with our new director of security, Chris Burton, to switch our college training from ALiCE active shooter to the newest training of Run, Hide, Fight. This was released to all Gateway employees for updated training

FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION & FACILITIES (Sharon Johnson)

Community Connectedness Sharon Johnson participated in the following activities:

- Gateway Technical College Foundation, Inc. Golf Outing Volunteer
- Williams Bay Joint Review Board Meeting
- KABA Lakeview OAC Meeting
- Tempo Racine Board Meeting
- Tempo Racine Meeting
- RCHC Executive Committee Meeting
- RCHC Board of Directors Meeting
- Pleasant Prairie Annual TID Meeting
- Juneteenth Freedom Luncheon
- Village of Waterford Joint Review Board Meeting
- Wisconsin Technical College Insurance Trust Meeting

Student Accounts

Our Student Accounts VA connected team has seen an increase in the number of students using military-connected benefits over the last year.

- Summer 2022 to Summer 2023 increase: 2.5%
- Fall 2022 to Fall 2023 increase: 6.3%
- Spring 2023 to Spring 2024 increase: 9.3%

We are excited to see these numbers increase. The team is playing a VA partnership meeting with local VA partners in late July for them to learn more about what Gateway has to offer our military-connected students.

One of the debt initiatives that Student Accounts introduced last year is in full effect. Students who have debts with collections can set up payment plan arrangements and re-enroll in the college. In less than a year, we have had over 110 students enroll in this option!

FY 2023-2024 Audit Update

The Business Office is gearing up for the FY 2023-2024 audit, which will begin with some preliminary information gathering later this month and initial testing in July. The auditors plan to be onsite for some portions of the FY24 audit.

Grants Update

The Grants Business Office team is preparing preliminary Single Audit schedules for the interim audit for FY2023-24.

Jane Nikolai is preparing the Permanent Employees List of grant funded individuals for FY2024-25. She will forward her list to the Talent and Culture Department for updating the allocations for payroll.

The team continues to provide ongoing support regarding the numerous grants.

Facilities

As we approach year-end, many facilities projects have been completed and closed! We are making good progress on the Elkhorn projects, with some delays due to long lead times for materials. New projects are in the beginning stages on the Kenosha and Racine Campuses.

My sincere thanks to the facilities team (mechanics and custodians, managers) for the amazing and consistent hard work they do!

FY 2024- 2025 Budget Update

College leadership is proud to present a final preliminary FY 2024-25 Budget. As we continue to navigate through these challenging times, leadership will continue to monitor this budget very closely and prioritize resources to ensure alignment with our strategic plan. Once approved, the budget will be forwarded to the WTCS by June 30, 2024. Thank you to everyone who put a tremendous effort into this year's process.

Safety and Security

Active shooter training campaign has been started with a new online training followed up with voluntary in person training at employee's work areas. I have completed 5 of the in person trainings at various locations, have three more on the schedule, and one pending.

In the final stages of preparation for the upcoming inaugural year of our Student Safety program. These will be work/study students who will patrol campuses and monitor cameras as an extra set of eyes and ears for our security operations.