WCJC

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

AGENDA PACKAGE

FOR THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 17, 2006

Prepared by the
Office of the President
Wharton County Junior College
Members of the Board of Trustees  
Wharton County Junior College District

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- AGENDA -

Regular Meeting
WCJC Board Room
Hutchins Memorial Center
911 Boling Highway
Wharton, Texas 77488
6:30 PM

January 17, 2006

I. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Reading of Minutes

A. The regular meeting on November 15, 2005

IV. Citizens' Comments (approved by board on 5-20-99)

This is an open forum for those persons who wish to make presentations to the board and who have signed up to do so under board policy. Presentations are limited to five minutes each with a total of twenty minutes for all presentations.

During the Citizens' Comments section of the agenda, any citizen/taxpayer (that is, any member of the public, including college employees) may request to address the board in open meeting. If, however, the topic of the presentation to the board falls within one of the other policies of the college, such as the employee complaint or grievance policy or student complaint policy, the person must first go through the proper administrative channels. In such cases, the right to address the board is guaranteed after the administrative channels have been exhausted.

If any speaker's presentation contains complaints or concerns about an individual employee or officer of the district, that presentation will be conducted in executive session with the board members unless the employee or officer about whom the comments are made requests that the comments be made publicly.

These presentations are made for information purposes only. The board is required to listen to the presentations but not to discuss or act on the items presented. If the board feels the matter warrants further attention, it can be placed on the agenda for a subsequent meeting.

See Under Tab
V. Special Items

VI. Presentations, Awards, and/or President’s Report

A. Bike the Bend for Literacy

B. WCJC Communications and Marketing department won Gold awards for the 2005-2006 Student Handbook, Viewbook and the 2002-2004 President’s Report to the Community from the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations

C. Donation from Ms. Petersen

VII. Reports to the Board

A. Financial Reports for November and December 2005

(FINANCIAL REPORTS ARE MAILED UNDER SEPARATE COVER)

B. Information Item: Management Reports

C. Information Item: Reports from College Governance Councils
   1. Faculty Council, October 12, 2005

D. Information Item: Clipping Service for months of November and December 2005

VIII. Reports from Committees of the Board

A. Audit/Finance Committee: Mr. Kunkel

B. Facilities Committee: Mr. Donaldson

C. Legislative Committee: Mr. Nelson

-CONSENT AGENDA-

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IX. Matters Relating to General Administration

A. Approve a Build to Suit Lease Agreement between the University of Houston System and Wharton County Junior College
X. Matters Relating to Academic Affairs

A. Approve the creation of a new faculty position for instructor of history effective fall 2006- ($33,550 - $45,050 - current operating budget)

B. Approve the creation of a new faculty position for full-time instructor of Cisco/computer science ($33,550 - $45,050 - current operating budget)

XI. Matters Relating to Administrative Services

A. Approve Order of Election for Board of Trustees Election – ($20,000 - current unrestricted operating budget)

B. Approve UniFirst as the College’s provider of uniforms and mop services - ($18,000 - current unrestricted operating budget)

C. Approve the establishment of the Mary Ann Rider Rodades Memorial Scholarship

D. Information Item:
   1. Discuss the possible sale of the WCJC truck terminal property in Bay City

XII. Matters Relating to Technology and Institutional Research

XIII. Matters Relating to Workforce Development, Continuing Education and Distance Learning

A. Approve $18,113.87 for the annual maintenance contract on the college’s distance education network from Southwestern Bell - ($18,113.87 – current operating budget for 2005-2006)

B. Approve proposed new position of Director of Youth Activities – ($40,068 - $46,735 - Kids College professional salaries – current operating budget)

XIV. Matters Relating to Student Services

XV. Matters Relating to Personnel .......................................................... D

A. Board of Trustees

B Office of President/Senior Administration

C. Office of Academic Affairs

1. Approve part-time overload list for the winter mini term 2005

2. Approve employment of Timothy A. Cross as a regular, full-time instructor of radiologic technology, FAC-1-10, effective January 4, 2006
3. Approve employment of Johnson Cherukara as a temporary, full-time instructor of biology, FAC-1-5, effective January 9, 2006

D. Office of Administrative Services

E. Office of Student Services

F. Office of Workforce Development, Continuing Education and Distance Learning

G. Office of Technology and Institutional Research

H. Information Items: Contract Personnel Actions

I. Information Items: Non-contract Personnel Action

1. Thomas C. Beavers employed as a regular, full-time information technology technician, P-13-0, effective January 4, 2006

2. Ruben Ramirez employed as a regular, full-time mail carrier/maintenance apprentice, T-1-0, effective January 4, 2006

3. Nathan C. Brown employed as a regular, part-time fitness center staff, $8.29/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 48 wks. = $7,560.00/yr., effective December 12, 2005

4. Aaron M. Kieler employed as a regular, part-time fitness staff, $8.29/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 48 wks. = $7,560.00/yr., effective December 12, 2005

5. Leo J. Lee employed as a regular, part-time custodian, $7.13/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 52 wks. = $7,044.00/yr., effective December 1, 2005

6. Traci Llanes employed as a temporary, part-time receptionist/secretary, $8.57/hr. x 24 hrs./wk. x 1 wk. = $205.68/yr., effective December 14, 2005

7. Traci Llanes employed as a regular, full-time receptionist/secretary, 0-6-0, effective January 4, 2006

8. Geneva O. Miller employed as a regular, part-time security officer, $9.44/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 52 wks. = $9,326.00/yr., effective December 1, 2005

9. Sandra Pena employed as a regular, part-time custodian, $7.13/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 52 wks. = $7,044.00/yr., effective December 12, 2005

10. David H. Clark resigned as a regular, part-time fitness center staff, $8.29/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 48 wks. = $7,560.00/yr., effective December 22, 2005

11. Jason A. Pitz resigned as a regular, part-time fitness center staff, $8.29/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 48 wks. = $7,560.00/yr., effective December 22, 2005
XVI. Executive Session: According to the Texas Government Code (Chapter 551, Open meetings), the Board may conduct a closed executive session for the following reasons: Consultation with attorney (551.071), deliberation regarding real property (551.072), deliberation regarding prospective gift (551.073), personnel matters (551.074), deliberation regarding security devices (551.076), deliberation regarding economic development negotiations (551.086).

XVII. Action on items discussed in closed session

XVIII. Matters Relating to Formal Policy ..............................................................................................................................................E


XIX. Other Business

XX. Adjourn
WHARTON COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT
AGENDA BRIEF
AGENDA ITEM III

Reading of the Minutes

A. The regular meeting on November 15, 2005
MINUTES
Regular Monthly Meeting of the
Wharton County Junior College
Board of Trustees
November 15, 2005

The Wharton County Junior College District Board of Trustees met in regular session on
November 15, 2005 at 6:30 PM in the Hutchins Memorial Board Room. Mr. Gertson presided.

Trustees Present: Mr. Danny Gertson, Chair; Mr. Rick Davis, Vice-Chair; Mr. Jack Moses,
Secretary; Mr. Gerald Donaldson; Mrs. Georgia Krenek; Mr. Oliver Kunkel; Mr. Lloyd Nelson; Mr.
Phil Stephenson and Mr. Gary Trochta

Others Present: Ms. Betty McCrohan, President; Dr. Ty Pate, Senior Vice President; Mr.
Bryce Kocian, Vice President of Financial Services; Mr. Dale Pinson, Vice President of Workforce
Development, Continuing Education and Distance Learning; Mrs. Pam Youngblood, Vice President
of Technology and Institutional Research; Ms. Gloria Crockett, Executive Secretary to the President;
Mrs. Makyla Dunn, Administrative Clerk to the President; Mrs. Barbara Bubela; Ms. Zina Carter;
Mr. Mike Feyen; Mr. Scott Glass; Dr. Wayne Taylor; Mr. Gus Wessels; Mr. Robert Wolter and Mr. Philip
Wuthrich.

ITEM I: DETERMINATION OF QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER
-The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

ITEM II: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
-Mr. Gertson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM III: READING OF MINUTES
A. The minutes of the regular meeting for October 18, 2005 were approved as presented.

ITEM IV: CITIZENS' COMMENTS
-None-
ITEM V: SPECIAL ITEMS

A. Mr. Stephenson gave a recap of the Audit/Finance committee meeting and asked that the FY2005 External Audit be approved. Mr. Moses noted a correction in campus title on the supplemental schedule, page 30, Richmond Satellite campus should be Fort Bend Tech Center.

BOARD ACTION: On a motion by Mr. Stephenson, the board unanimously approved the FY2005 External Audit with the correction on page 30 of the supplemental schedule.

ITEM VI: PRESENTATIONS, AWARDS AND/OR PRESIDENT’S REPORT

1. Ms. McCrohan addressed the question that was asked by the board regarding the college’s insurance coverage with TASB. Ms. McCrohan distributed a handout regarding this question and reported that our attorneys do agree with TASB’s interpretation of liability and immunity.

2. Ms. McCrohan gave the trustees copies of the Texas Weekly newsletter that she receives.

3. Ms. McCrohan reminded everyone of the President’s holiday luncheon on Thursday. She also reminded everyone to attend the student play, See the Stars, on November 16-19.

ITEM VII: REPORTS TO THE BOARD

A. Financial Reports

-Gus Wessels reviewed the financial reports for October 2005.

-Bryce Kocian reviewed the Texpool report for October 2005.

BOARD ACTION: On a motion by Mr. Davis and a second, the board unanimously approved the financial reports and the Texpool reports for October 2005.

ITEM VII-B: MANAGEMENT REPORTS

-The following reports were included as a part of the Board Agenda Package:

1. Department of Information and Technology: Pam Youngblood (Vice President of Technology and Institutional Research)

2. Financial Aid: Gus Wessels (Dean of Financial Services and Business Services)

3. Student Services: Wayne Taylor (Dean of Student Services)
ITEM VII-C: REPORTS FROM COLLEGE GOVERNANCE COUNCILS

1. Faculty Council, September 12, 2005
2. President's Extended Cabinet, October 20, 2005

ITEM VII-D: CLIPPING SERVICE FOR MONTH OF AUGUST 2005

- News reports relating to the operations of Wharton County Junior College were clipped from area newspapers for the month of September 2005 and included as part of the board agenda packet for this meeting.

ITEM VIII: REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

A. Audit/Finance Committee: Mr. Kunkel
   - Mr. Stephenson gave this report under Special Items.

B. Facilities Committee: Mr. Donaldson
   - None

C. Legislative Committee: Mr. Nelson
   - None

- Mr. Gertson asked if any items needed to be pulled from the consent agenda.

- Item IXA was pulled. This item is not ready at this time and will be brought back to the board at a later date.

- Mr. Stephenson asked about the new chiller that was purchased and if the situation has been resolved. Mike Feyen reported that the new chiller has been purchased and installed.

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ITEM XI: MATTERS RELATING TO GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

A. Approve a letter of intent to enter into a lease of property between the University of Houston System and Wharton County Junior College
ITEM X: MATTERS RELATING TO ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

A. Information item:
   1. Seek sealed bids from vendors to print the 2006-2007 college catalogs
      ($24,000 – current unrestricted operating fund budget for 2005-
      2006)

ITEM XI: MATTERS RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

A. Approve the allocation of funds from the prior year fund balance for 2005
   outstanding encumbrances – ($7,545.05 – total allocation of $7,545.05 will be
   noted in the 2006 financial statements as reserved for encumbrances)

B. Approve the action taken to purchase an 80 ton chiller for the Peace Building as
   an emergency purchase since the old unit failed unexpectedly – ($29,600.00 –
   current unrestricted operating fund budget 2005-2006)

C. Information item:
   1. Seek sealed bids for a company to provide uniform and mop service
      for the college – ($16,000 – current unrestricted operating budget for
      2005-2006)

ITEM XII: MATTERS RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY AND INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH

ITEM XIII: MATTERS RELATING TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, CONTINUING
EDUCATION, AND DISTANCE LEARNING

A. Approve the rental of facilities at Dulles High School for Kid’s College for
   summer 2006 – (Not to exceed $56,985 – Kid’s College Facilities Rental
   budget)

B. Approve acceptance of a grant of $35,000 from the Swalm Foundation for the
   purchase of 2 vans to be used by the Senior Citizen Program – ($35,000 –
   restricted grant funds for 2005-2006)

ITEM XIV: MATTERS RELATING TO PERSONNEL

A. Board of Trustees
B. Office of President/Senior Administration
C. Office of Academic Affairs
D. Office of Administrative Services
E. Office of Student Services

F. Office of Workforce Development, Continuing Education and Distance Learning

G. Office of Technology and Institutional Research

1. Tessa L. Mathews employed as a regular, full-time research analyst III, AA-1-6, effective November 1, 2005

H. Information Items: Contract Personnel Items

1. Miles L. Santo separated as regular, full-time director of public safety training, CA-01-17, effective October 31, 2005

I. Information Items: Non-contract Personnel Items

1. Cynthia A. Kocian received a salary adjustment as a regular, full-time special population advisor for Perkin’s Grant/academic advisor from $17.56/hr. x 30 hrs./wk. x 52 wks. = $27,393.60/yr. and $17.56/hr. x 10 hrs./wk. x 52 wks. = $9,131.20/yr. to $17.87/hr. x 30 hrs./wk. x 52 wks. = $27,882.75/yr. and $17.87/hr. x 10 hrs./wk. x 52 wks. = $9,294.25/yr.

2. Janice Gensler employed as a regular, full-time acquisition technician, O-7-0, effective September 19, 2005

3. Mike Esparza Jr. reclassified from regular maintenance assistant/Sugar Land, O-7-8, to regular, full-time maintenance apprentice, T-1-8, effective October 1, 2005

4. Espitia Griselda employed as a regular, part-time aide, $9.73/hr. x 32 hrs./wk. x 32 wks. = $9,963.52/yr., effective November 7, 2005

5. Michael C. Mahavier employed as a temporary, part-time bus driver, $12/hr. for drive time and $5.15/hr. for non-drive time (hours determined by location of sporting events) effective October 15, 2005

6. William Bennett employed as temporary, part-time security at the Sugar Land campus, $9.44/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 9 wks. = $1,614/yr., effective November 1, 2005

7. Kenneth E. Dunagan separated as regular, full-time security officer, O-10-1, effective September 9, 2005

8. Angelica M. Juarez separated as regular, part-time homemaker, $5.25/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 50 wks. = $4,987.50/yr., effective October 7, 2005
9. Naomi R. Garza separated as regular, full-time dental hygiene department secretary/receptionist, 0-6-4, effective December 16, 2005

10. Cynthia A. Barrera separated as regular, part-time aide, $9.57/hr. x 25 hrs./wk. x 37wks. = $8,852.25/yr., effective August 25, 2005

11. Gregorio F. Berrios separated as regular, part-time custodian, $7.13/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 52 wks. = $7,044/yr., effective October 19, 2005

BOARD ACTION: On a motion by Mrs. Stephenson and a second, the board unanimously approved the consent agenda with the exception of Item IXA as presented.

ITEM XV: EXECUTIVE SESSION:

-Pursuant to the Texas Government Code (Chapter 551, Open Meetings), the Board may conduct a closed executive session for any or all of the following reasons: Consultation with attorney (551.071), deliberation regarding purchase, exchange, or sale of real property (551.072), deliberation regarding prospective gift to WCJC (55 personnel matters (551.074), deliberation regarding security devices (551.076), and/or deliberation regarding economic development negotiations (551.086).

ITEM XVI: ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

ITEM XVII: MATTERS RELATING TO FORMAL POLICY

A. First reading:

1. New regulation on Optional Retirement Plan/Tax Deferred Annuity Providers (ORP/TDA Providers)

B. Information Item

1. Change of procedures in Regulation 522. Testing and Assessment

ITEM XVIII: OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM XIX: ADJOURN

-The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.
WHARTON COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT

AGENDA BRIEF

AGENDA ITEM VI

Presentations, Awards, and/or President's Report

A. Bike the Bend for Literacy

B. WCJC Communications and Marketing department won Gold awards for the 2005-2006 Student Handbook, Viewbook and the 2002-2004 President’s Report to the Community from the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations

C. Donation from Ms. Petersen
Riding Out For Literacy...

“Bike The Bend” Gets An A+

Cycling enthusiasts from all parts of the Houston area took over the streets of Fort Bend County on Saturday, October 15, for the second annual Bike the Bend for Literacy, which raised more than $20,000 for LCFBC’s adult literacy programs.

“We had a blast,” said Steve O’Mara, fundraising captain for the Amegy Bank Cycling Team. “The weather could not have been better, and the volunteers did an excellent job. I look forward to doing it again next year!”

Approximately 450 riders gathered before 8 a.m. at the Wharton County Junior College Fort Bend Technical Center in Richmond to participate in Bike the Bend, a recommended training ride for the 2006 BP MS 150 Bike Tour from Houston to Austin, which will be held April 22-23.

The course consisted of three routes of approximately 25, 40, and 62 miles. Each took riders through the scenic roads of the Richmond, Rosenberg, Fulshear and Simonton. All riders finished at the Technical Center by 3 p.m.

“Everyone did an outstanding job,” said Robert Wolter, co-rider director and LCFBC board member. “The planning committee put in a tremendous amount of time and effort, and it paid off! We had lots of tired and smiling riders at the finish line.”

Co-chairs Robert Wolter, right, and Lisa Matecha, center, monitored the riders’ progress with HAM radio operator, Ronald Fauccett.

The Amegy Bank Cycling Team took a break from the 62-mile course to enjoy refreshments and food at rest stop three in Fulshear. Pictured (l-r) are: Michael Lustig, Steve O’Mara, Gary Camero and Jeff Beatty.

Volunteers manned rest stops throughout the course, providing food and refreshments to fatigued cyclists. Pictured (l-r) are: Carlos Pina, Adrian Hernandez, Tony Ysquierdo, and Rose Mary and Glenn Hettler.

Bike the Bend’s Official Bike Shop, ACME Bicycle Company, supplied ride marshals and mechanical support to cyclists with flat tires and broken chains. Pictured (l-r) are: Jeremy Wessels, Jesse Nelson, and Tricia Seymour.

Literacy Council of Fort Bend County — 4th Qtr 2005 3
Wharton County Junior College:

Happy New Year and congratulations! I am pleased to inform you that your institution’s entry titled “WCJC 2005-2006 Student Handbook” has been selected to receive a GOLD award in the Handbook, Division A Category in the 2005 NCMPR District 4 Medallion Awards Competition.

All winners will be recognized on Saturday evening, March 18, 2006, during the NCMPR District 4 Medallion Awards dinner and ceremony in Austin, Texas. This year’s award ceremony will be held in conjunction with the NCMPR National Conference on March 19 – 22, 2006. I hope you or someone from your institution will be able to attend to accept your award and receive well-deserved recognition and congratulations from your colleagues.

If you are making plans to attend the Medallion Awards dinner and/or NCMPR National Conference, you will find the online conference registration brochure located on District 4’s page on the national NCMPR Web site (www.ncmpr.org). Early bird discounted conference registration fees are due on or before February 10.

I look forward to seeing you in Austin!

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Crockett, Gloria

From: McCrohan, Betty
Sent: Wednesday, January 04, 2006 4:00 PM
To: Crockett, Gloria
Subject: FW: Gold Award!
Importance: High

For Board Agenda

From: Amy Rebick [mailto:arebick@pulaskitech.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, January 04, 2006 3:19 PM
To: McCrohan, Betty
Cc: kfarley@wcjc.edu
Subject: Gold Award!
Importance: High

Wharton County Junior College:

Happy New Year and congratulations! I am pleased to inform you that your institution’s entry titled “WCJC Viewbook” has been selected to receive a GOLD award in the Viewbook, Division A Category in the 2005 NCMPR District 4 Medallion Awards Competition.

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From: Amy Rebick [mailto:arebick@pulaskitech.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, January 04, 2006 3:14 PM
To: McCrohan, Betty
Cc: kfarley@wjc.edu
Subject: Gold Award Winner!
Importance: High

Wharton County Junior College:

Happy New Year and congratulations! I am pleased to inform you that your institution’s entry titled “WCJC President’s Report to the Community 2002-2004” has been selected to receive a GOLD award in the Annual Report, Division A Category in the 2005 NCMPR District 4 Medallion Awards Competition.

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1/12/2006
Management Reports

The following management reports for the months of November and December are for your information:

1. Department of Information Technology: Pam Youngblood, (Vice President of Technology and Institutional Research)
2. Financial Aid: Gus Wessels, (Dean of Financial and Business Services)
3. Student Services: Wayne Taylor (Dean of Student Services/Director of Dual Credit Enrollment)
The Institutional Research Office has completed for certification the CBM001, CBM004, CBM008, CBM009, CBM00A, and CBM00C fall state reports to the THECB. The CBM002 for spring 2004, summer 2004, and fall 2004 have been completed and certification accepted by the THECB. The IR office has also completed entering the College Board Survey, generating reports for the Program Management Profiles, and updating information for the Annual Recruitment and Retention report. The Director of IR attended the annual COC/SACS meeting in Atlanta, Georgia.

During an on-site visit from WCJC’s Oracle representatives, it was discovered that WCJC is not in compliance regarding licensing of our test databases. Due to this issue, our test database for the upgrade to Banner 7 was made unavailable until this is resolved. The Database Administrator and the MIS Infrastructure Architect are researching our options by gathering information from both Oracle and Sungard SCT regarding this licensing issue.

The WCJC Webmaster has been researching information on content management systems. A content management system is a source of support for web page management. He attended a conference in reference to content management systems.

Several areas where the data in the Banner system is questionable have been identified. The programming staff has developed several reports to identify the problem areas. The calendar year end processes have also been tested by the programming staff with the creation of the 1098T, 1099, and W2 forms.

The Networking team replaced 21 computer systems at the Bay City Process Technology lab. Over the holidays, they performed system backups, updated virus definitions, and performed system maintenance. The MIS Infrastructure Architect also continued to performed regular scheduled database backups throughout the holidays.

During the months of November and December, there were 155 new service requests submitted for the networking team. Of the 155 new service requests, 102 were completed. A total of 156 outstanding issues were completed with a total of 87 issues still remaining.
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WHARTON COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT

AGENDA BRIEF

AGENDA ITEM VII-C

Reports from College Governance Councils

The following are minutes from the College Governance Councils:

A. Academic Affairs Council
   None

B. Administrative Council
   None

C. Faculty Council
   October 12, 2005

D. President's Extended Cabinet
   None
Date of Meeting: October 12, 2005  
Time: 3:00 pm  
Place: ITV – Wharton, Sugarland, and Fort Bend Tech Center


Members Absent: Jon Loessin, Doug Walker

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm by Joyce O’Shea. A quorum was present.

The minutes of September 12, 2005, as corrected were approved unanimously under a motion made by Leigh Ann Collins and seconded by Will Heierman.

Extended Cabinet Report

Extended cabinet did not meet; therefore there is nothing to report. Extended cabinet is scheduled for October 20, 2005.

Old Business:

1) Follow up with Faculty Awards Committee

Joyce O’Shea reported that the first meeting of the committee has been scheduled for Friday, October 14, 2005. One division will not have a representative for the committee. Dr. O’Shea clarified that the awards committee is an Ad Hoc committee of the faculty council. There was no further discussion.

2) Salary ranking of WCJC with other members of consortium

J.B. Groves reported that he contacted a representative from TCCTA for this information. The TCCTA representative reported that the salary rankings are currently being tabulated. The results will be in the December TCCTA Messenger.

New Business

1) Selection of members for committees designated by Ty Pate

Joyce O’Shea reported that she had been notified by Dr. Ty Pate that the committees that currently need members selected by faculty council are the Faculty Evaluation, Purpose (mission statement, vision, and values), and Summary Appeals Committees.
The faculty evaluation committee’s purpose is to review the faculty evaluation process and recommend modifications. Pam Armientroat is currently the chairman. Faculty council recommended Sarah Clark from the Allied Health department and Barbara Watson from Distance Education for the committee.

The Purpose (Mission Statement, Vision and Values) committee’s aim is to review the mission statement, vision and values of the college to insure that it accurately reflects the college’s activities. Faculty council recommended Connie Bibus from the History department and Karen Lescure from the English department.

The Summary Appeals committee’s purpose is to establish a college-wide, formal mechanism for the review and resolution of appeals of parking citations and other summary violations. Faculty council recommended Shelly Mayfield from the Allied Health department and as an alternate Liz Rexford from the government department.

2) TCCTA Leadership Conference

Joyce O’Shea attended the conference. A few highlights of the conference were speakers Beaman Floyd, a lobbyist for TCCTA and Denida McAnely, a research analyst for two-year colleges. Mr. Floyd announced concerns that are being evaluated and discussed in legislature are 1) a proposal to decrease core curriculum requirements such as government and history and 2) ways to be able to cut health benefits. Ms. McAnely reported that research results are finding that there is an increase in students between the ages of 18 to 20, more Hispanic students, more students who are “under” prepared for college, more students who have English as a second language, more students who work full time, and more students who are in the lower socioeconomic group. It also is noted that students are more “pushy” and that 75% of the students have cell phones and computers. This all supports a need for faculty to develop different teaching styles.

3) White board versus chalkboards at Sugarland campus

Will Heierman stated that two of the chalkboards at the Sugarland campus had been changed to white boards without notification to any faculty who utilizes the chalkboards in their classroom for instruction. Mr. Heierman stated the white boards do not provide the space needed to effectively perform math equations for students. He stated that other math instructors verbalized the same complaint. Further concern is that when WCJC moves to the University of Houston campus that WCJC faculty may not have any input into the teaching environment. After discussion faculty council agreed that there should not be any changes to the teaching environment without notifying the faculty who will be affected by the change. After further discussion, faculty council decided to refer to extended cabinet. Faculty council will notify the Director of Sugarland that the concern will be presented at extended cabinet.

Other Business:

1) Traveling between campuses

Because of the increasing cost of fuel, faculty who travel between campuses request that the teaching assignments at different campuses from their office sites be minimized. If minimizing travel time is not possible, then the instructors would like to be reimbursed for their travel time. After discussion, faculty council agreed to review the reimbursement regulation for mileage, speak with members in their division regarding travel assignments, and bring back the information to the next faculty council meeting.
2) ITV meetings

Faculty council members agreed that meeting via ITV was effective. Joyce O’Shea reminded everyone that the next meeting was Tuesday, November 15, 2005 at 3:00 pm.

Extended Cabinet Items
- Evaluation of professional staff
- Mileage reimbursement
- Security Issues
- ORP/TDA provider regulation
- Faculty involvement with changing teaching environment

Adjournment
Motion was made for adjournment by Deborah Yancey and seconded by Liz Rexford. Meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm.

Chairman: Joyce O’Shea  Date Approved: Nov-23, 2005

Secretary: Deborah Yancey

c/c President, Vice President
Clipping Service for Month of November and December 2005

- Each month a newspaper clipping service reviews the area newspapers and clips articles related to Wharton County Junior College. These are compiled into a monthly report for the information of the Board of Trustees. The clippings are for the month of November and December 2005.
WCJC faculty member receives Triumph award

WHARTON-The American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA) has selected Mary W. King, chair of the Wharton County Junior College Division of Allied Health, to receive one of six 2005 Triumph Awards.

The Triumph Awards are given annually to honor excellence, dedication and service of those professionals whose steadfast efforts have bettered the health information management field.

King is one of two in the nation tapped for the 2005 Triumph Awards-Mentor Award, which recognizes individuals with long-

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MARY W. KING
Continued WCJC faculty member receives Triumph award

WCJC award
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standing records of encouraging students or colleagues to realize their full potential. The awards are presented through AHIMA's Foundation of Research and Education and supported by a grant from MedQuist, Inc.

The only recipient in Texas, King arrived at Wharton County Junior College in 1973 and was instrumental in initiating the school's health information technology program. Today, healthcare facilities in the college's immediate service areas, as well as other parts of the Gulf Coast region, and other states employ graduates of the program.

"Mentoring is easy when you love your profession," said King, whose former students nominated her for the award. "The best thing about mentoring is seeing the light come on when the student puts together the didactic information with the real-world process. Working with students involves more than just providing knowledge and skills. It is about helping them with everyday struggles, helping them to reach their goals, and seeing them happy and productive. Then they become mentors. Hopefully we all have mentors who have guided us, cared for us, pushed us, and caused us to desire to be better. I know I have, both in my educational process and in my professional affiliations."

In addition to her roles as division chair and full-time instructor at WCJC, King has served on the board of directors and as president of the Texas Health Information Management Association. She is a member of the panel of accreditation surveyors for the Commission on Accreditation of Health Informatics and Information Management Education. With AHIMA, King has chaired the Council on Certification and is a charter member of its Assembly on Education.

The honoree holds a bachelor of science degree in medical record science from Incarnate Word College, now known as the University of the Incarnate Word, and a master of science degree in health care administration from Texas Woman's University. She is credentialed as a Registered Health Information Administrator.
Drop seen in number of WCJC students

By RONALD K. SANDERS

After breaking all records one year ago, Wharton County Junior College is experiencing a slight drop in enrollment.

A total of 6,053 students are attending WCJC this spring, compared to an unduplicated head count of 6,100 last fall.

WCJC broke the 6,000 student barrier last year for the first time in its half-century history.

Although enrollment stayed above 6,000 this fall, WCJC officials are disappointed the trend did not continue.

"Fall is our big growth period," said president Betty McCrohan. "We never sit on our laurels."

WCJC officials are perplexed why enrollment dropped, even though it less than three-fourths of one percent.

Fuel prices might have been a factor. More people may have been employed, rather than going to college, instead.

"We don't know if it was any one thing. We are still looking," McCrohan said.

That includes, she added, internal factors, such as a change in enrollment procedures or class scheduling.

The Sugar Land Campus saw a slight gain, however, up from 1,241 to 1,245 full-time equivalent students.

Wharton dropped, from 1,621 to 1,345 FTE. The Fort Bend Technical Center, which opened in fall 2002, declined also, from 914 to 822.

Total full-time equivalent enrollment was down from last year's record of 3,880 to 3,856.

Full-time equivalent is a typical student taking 15 semester hours.
GED classes begin at local center

Just Do It Now, Inc., a faith-based counseling and life recovery center located in downtown Wharton, has resumed General Educational Development (GED) classes after a summer break.

The facility works in partnership with Wharton County Junior College. WCJC provides the instructor and course materials.

Class size is limited, and enrollment is on a first-come-first-served basis. Preregistration is required.

The class will meet on Mondays and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Just Do It Now office at 235 W. Milam in Wharton.

GED instruction, including books, is free to eligible candidates. To be eligible for GED instruction, a person must be at least 18 years old, not have a high school diploma, and not be currently enrolled in school. Special requirements apply to anyone under the age of 18.

For more information, or to register for the GED classes, contact Just Do It Now at 531-1975, or the WCJC Adult Basic Education department at 532-6514.

(■ Bingo for seniors ■)
Wharton County Junior College's senior citizens center will offer bingo for seniors from 2 to 4 p.m. Monday, Oct. 17, at the LaDieu Center. Avalon Place is co-host. For more information call 532-6430.
WCJC Jazz Band Performs Thursday
The WCJC Jazz Band will present its fall concert on Thursday, Oct. 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Horton Foote Theatre, Duson-Hansen Fine Arts Building. Tickets are $4. WCJC students, faculty and staff are admitted free. East Coast swing songs will be performed, including hits made famous by Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, Cherry Poppin' Daddies, the Brian Setzer Orchestra and others. Call 979-532-6300 for more information.

WCJC choirs’ fund-raiser Oct. 21
The Wharton County Junior College Concert Choir and Chamber Singers will present the 14th annual Choral Dinner/Musical Review at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 21, in the Pioneer Student Center on the Wharton campus.
A prime rib dinner and homemade desserts will be offered.

The show will feature choir members singing country western, show tunes and popular songs and playing piano duets.
Concert Choir and Chamber Singers will offer medleys from the musical "West Side Story," songs sung by Ray Charles, a medley of songs by Irving Berlin, jazz tunes and show tunes.
There will also be a silent auction at the event.
Tickets may be reserved by calling 532-6300.
The cost of the dinner and show is $20 per ticket.
Proceeds will be used to defray the cost of the choir's annual tour.
# Sports Scene

...A look at the area’s upcoming events

## Thursday

### Sub Varsity Football

- Columbia at Wharton, Frosh-Junior Varsity: 5 p.m.
- Brazos at Boling, Junior Varsity: 6 p.m.
- East Bernard vs. Royal at Brookshire, Junior Varsity: 6 p.m.

## Friday

### Football

- 25-3A - Wharton vs. Columbia at West Columbia: 7:30 p.m.
- 25-3A - Sweeny at Needville: 7:30 p.m.
- 25-3A - Stafford at Palacios: 7:30 p.m.
- 25-3A - Boling vs. Brazos at Wallis: 7:30 p.m.
- 25-3A - Royal at East Bernard: 7:30 p.m.
- 25-3A - Hitchcock at Danbury: 7:30 p.m.
- 24-4A - Angleton at El Campo: 7:30 p.m.
- 24-4A - Bay City vs. Terry at Rosenberg: 7:30 p.m.
- 24-4A - Lamar Cons. vs. Calhoun at Port Lavaca: 7:30 p.m.
- 24-4A - Foster vs. Brazosport at Freeport: 7:30 p.m.
- 25-3A - Gonzales at Yoakum: 7:30 p.m.
- 25-3A - Hallettsville at Edna: 7:30 p.m.
- 25-3A - Luling at Cuero: 7:30 p.m.
- 30-2A - Schulenburg at Weimar: 7:30 p.m.
- 30-2A - Tidehaven at Van Vlack: 7:30 p.m.
- 30-2A - Industrial at Ganado: 7:30 p.m.
- 20-3A - Columbus vs. Rice Consolidated at Altair: 7:30 p.m.
- 20-3A - Bellville at Sealy: 7:30 p.m.
- 30-3A - Hempstead at Navasota: 7:30 p.m.
- 30-A - Shiner at Louise: 7:30 p.m.

### High School Volleyball

- 25-3A - Wharton vs. Columbia at W. Columbia, Varsity-JV, Frosh: 4:30 p.m.
- 25-3A - Palacios at Stafford, Varsity-JV-Frosh: 4:30 p.m.
- 25-3A - Sweeny at Needville, JV-Varsity-Frosh: 4:30 p.m.
- 26-2A - Boling vs. Brazos at Wallis, Varsity-JV: 4:30 p.m.
- 26-2A - Royal at East Bernard, Varsity-JV: 4:30 p.m.
- 26-2A - Danbury vs. Yes Prep at Houston, Varsity-JV: 4:30 p.m.

## Saturday

### Cross Country

- East Bernard at Round Top-Carmine Invitational at Festival Hill: 8 a.m.

### Junior College Volleyball

- Wharton County Junior College at UT Brownsville: 1 p.m.

### Team Tennis

- Wharton at Victoria Memorial (Dual Matches): 9:30 a.m.
Sports Scene

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Team Tennis
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Tuesday

High School Volleyball
- 25-3A - Wharton at Sweeny, Frosh-JV-Varsity............................5 p.m.
- 25-3A - Stafford at Needville, Frosh-JV-Varsity.........................5 p.m.
- 25-3A - Columbus at Palacios, Frosh-JV-Varsity.........................5 p.m.
- 26-2A - Yes College Prep at East Bernard (Doubleheader)..........5 p.m.
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Junior College Volleyball
Wharton County JC at Galveston College.................................7 p.m.
Lady Pioneers play tough in loss to Lee

By MIKE KONVICKA
Journal-Spectator Sports Editor

WCJC’s volleyball team gave Lee College all they could handle in Tuesday’s Region XIV match at Pioneer Gymnasium, but lost in four games.

The Lady Pioneers won the first game 31-29 on a kill by Cassie Street.

Lee came back to win the next three by scores of 30-29, 32-30 and 30-21.

“I was pleased with the way we played but it was still a loss,” said WCJC coach Harold Shilk.

WCJC had chances to win the third game, blowing a 26-22 lead. The Lady Pioneers then led 28-26 before Lee tied it.

Lee gained game point at 29-28. WCJC tied it. A kill by Street gave the Lady Pioneers game point again but the Lady Rebels answered with three straight points for the win.

“We should have won it,” said Shilk. “We were ahead but lost focus at the end. We made stupid errors and that hurt us.”

WCJC took a quick 4-1 lead in the fourth game and then went up 14-13.

But Lee, on the serving of Abby Farmer, came back and built a 20-14 advantage.

The Lady Pioneers battled back and made it a 21-17 game.

Hitting errors proved costly the remainder of the game as Lee went up 29-20 on the serving of Amana Bell.

WCJC picked up its final point and a kill by Monica Simiyu ended it. She led the Lady Rebels’ hitting attack.

Lyndell Marek led WCJC with 14 kills. Street finished with 12. Mary Beth Langston added 10 and Cariann Gutowsky had eight.

Street also had four blocks and two aces. Lindsay Barrow had 37 assists and is averaging 9.3 per match.

Kelly McKnight and Marek both had two blocks.

Amy Schneider tallied up 30 digs. Marek, Barrow and Gutowsky had 18 each.

WCJC played at UT Brownsville on Friday. The Scorpions were 5-1 after beating winless Laredo Community College on Wednesday.

League-leading San Jacinto College beat Galveston College in three games on Wednesday to improve to 5-0 and the Whitecaps fell to 0-4.

Coming up Tuesday, WCJC visits Galveston. Then on Thursday, the Lady Pioneers host the Scorpions in a make-up match originally scheduled for Sept. 23.
Passing it up

WCJC's Kelly McKnight passes the volleyball in Tuesday’s Region XIV match against Lee College at Pioneer Gymnasium. The Lady Pioneers lost the match in four hard-fought games. WCJC played at UT Brownsville on Friday and visits Galveston College coming up Tuesday.
GED classes through WCJC resume at downtown Wharton location

Just Do It Now Inc., a faith-based counseling and life recovery center in downtown Wharton, has resumed GED classes in partnership with Wharton County Junior College. WCJC provides the instructor and course materials. Class size is limited, and enrollment is on a first-come-first-served basis. Preregistration is required.

The class will meet on Mondays and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Just Do It Now office, 235 W. Milam St.

GED instruction, including books, is free to eligible candidates. To be eligible for GED instruction, you must be at least 18 years old, not have a high school diploma, and not be currently enrolled in school. Special requirements apply to anyone under the age of 18.

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Taylor is fourth in the region with 130 points. Mandi Jo Fox is eighth with 80 points and Montello is tied for ninth with 70 points.

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Bingo for seniors
Wharton County Junior College’s senior citizens center will offer bingo for seniors from 2 to 4 p.m. Monday, Oct. 17, at the LaDieu Center. Avalon Place is co-host. For more information call 532-6430.

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President's evaluation on WCJC board agenda

Betty McCrohan may be president of Wharton County Junior College, but she still has bosses. That's the nine members who make up the college's governing board, which will conduct her annual performance evaluation this Tuesday.

McCrohan has been WCJC's president since June 2001, succeeding Dr. Frank Viveloo.

Her evaluation is among the 20 items on Tuesday's board monthly meeting agenda. The meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the Hutchins Memorial Center.

The evaluation, itself, will take place in executive session, though any action will be in public.

Hurricane Rita postponed the annual review from last month.

Other agenda items include 2005 budget adjustments and purchasing a dental X-ray machine.

GED and ESL Classes
Free GED and ESL classes are offered in Matagorda County by Wharton County Junior College. Day classes are from 8 a.m. to noon Monday through Thursday at the Pierce Campus, (979)244-2850.

Night classes also are from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at Pierce Campus on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and from 6 to 8 p.m. at Palacios High School, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

For more information, call (979)532-6301 or (800)561-9252, ext. 6301.
Lady Pioneers shock Scorpions

WCJC spikers host UT Brownsville Thursday

By MIKE KONVICKA
Journal-Spectator Sports Editor

BROWNSVILLE — WCJC’s volleyball team played its best match of the season and it resulted in a big 30-26, 30-26, 30-28 win over UT Brownsville on Friday night.

The win was the Lady Pioneers’ first in Region XIV play, against four losses, heading into Tuesday night’s road match against winless Galveston College.

“It was a big win for us,” said WCJC coach Harold Shilk. “Our girls were up for it and they played well.”

“It made our long trip back much more pleasant.”

WCJC hosts the 5-2 Scorpions in a 7 p.m. match on Thursday.

San Jacinto College beat Lee College 30-28, 30-26, 30-26 in a make up match on Friday to improve to 7-0.

Lee was 5-1 before playing 2-3 Alvin last night and the Lady Rebels and Lady Ravens play again on Thursday in Pasadena.

WCJC totaled up 49 kills in the match.

Cariann Gutowsky and Lynndell Marek finished with 12 each. Cassie Street and Mary Beth Langston had 12 each and Kelly McNight had five.

Gutowsky also had two aces and 17 digs. Marek had three blocks and 17 digs. Street had one block and one ace.

Setter Lindsay Barrow had 38 assists with two blocks, 16 digs and one ace.

Libero player Amy Schneider had 23 digs.

Langston had 14 and McKnight had four.

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Friday’s Results

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Thursday’s Matches

UT Brownsville at WCJC, 7 p.m.

Lee Col at San Jacinto, 6 p.m.

Friday’s Matches

Laredo CC at Galveston Col., 6 p.m.

UT Brownsville at Alvin CC, 6 p.m.

Saturday’s Matches

Laredo CC at Alvin CC, 2 p.m.

UT Brownsville at Galveston Col., 2 p.m.
WCJC's Mary Beth Langston reaches high over the net to block the volleyball in last Tuesday's match against Lee College. The Lady Pioneers host UT Brownsville in a Region XIV match at 7 p.m. Thursday.
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Hobizal keys WCJC finish

FROM STAFF REPORTS

HUNTSLVILLE — Wharton County Junior College men’s and women’s rodeo teams cranked up the fall schedule on Oct. 1-2 by taking fourth and fifth, respectively, at a competition hosted by Sam Houston State University.

The men’s team finished fourth with 410 points and the women’s team was fifth with 190 points.

Hill College took the men’s title with 753 points. Panola Junior College was third with 535 points and Northeast Texas Community College was third with 495 points.

Texas A&M won the women’s title with 555 points. Hill was second with 265 points. Panola was third with 230 points and Sam Houston was fourth with 215 points.

Individually for WCJC, Keith Hobizal from Needville won the steer wrestling with a 9.7 second average. Nathan Michalek from Sealy was seventh with a 16.6 average.

Josh Hudson, from Kaufman, took second in bareback riding with a 156 score.

Dustin Domangue, from Louisiana, took fifth in bull riding with a 77 score and Travis Prejean from Bellrose, La. tied for seventh with a 71.
Government class for WCJC now on net

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WCJC's King to receive Triumph award

The American Health Information Management Association has selected Mary W. King, chair of the Wharton County Junior College Division of Allied Health, to receive one of six 2005 Triumph Awards.

The Triumph Awards are given annually to honor excellence, dedication, and service of those professionals whose steadfast efforts have bettered the health information management field.

King is one of two in the nation tapped for the 2005 Triumph Awards-Mentor Award, which recognizes individuals with long-standing records of encouraging students or colleagues to realize their full potential. The awards are presented through AHIMA's Foundation of Research and Education and supported by a grant from MedQuist, Inc.

The only recipient in Texas, King arrived at Wharton County Junior College in 1973 and was instrumental in initiating the school's health information technology program. Today, healthcare facilities in the college's immediate service areas as well as other parts of the Gulf Coast region, and other states employ graduates of the program.

"Mentoring is easy when you love your profession," said King, whose former students nominated her for the award.

"The best thing about mentoring is seeing the light come on when the student puts together the didactic information with the real-world process. Working with students involves more than just providing knowledge and skills. It is about helping them with everyday struggles, helping them to reach their goals, and seeing them happy and productive. Then they become mentors. Hopefully we all have mentors who have guided us, cared for us, pushed us, and caused us to desire to be better. I know I have, both in my educational process and in my professional affiliations."

In addition to her roles as division chair and full-time instructor at WCJC, King has served on the board of directors and as president of the Texas Health Information Management Association. She is a member of the panel of accreditation surveyors for the Commission on Accreditation of Health Informatics and Information Management Education. With AHIMA, King has chaired the Council on Certification and is a charter member of its Assembly on Education.

She holds a bachelor of science degree in medical record science from Incarnate Word College, now known as the University of the Incarnate Word, and a master of science degree in health care administration from Texas Woman's University. She is credentialed as a Registered Health Information Administrator.
WCJC rodeo teams compete in Uvalde

UVALDE — WCJC men’s and women’s rodeo teams finished second and third respectively at this past weekend’s Southwest Texas Junior College Southern Region competition held in Uvalde.

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Hill also won the women’s division, with 315 points. Trinity Valley Community College in Athens was second with 233 points and WCJC was third with 227 points.

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In breakaway calf roping, Carly McCumber from George West finished seventh with a 5.5 second time.
Final practices

Wharton County Junior College Chamber Singers practice for the 14th annual Choral Dinner/Musical Review at 7 p.m. on Friday in the Pioneer Student Center on the Wharton campus. They will be joined by the WCJC Choir. A prime rib dinner and homemade desserts will be offered for $20. The show will feature choir members singing country western, show tunes and popular songs and playing piano duets. There will also be a silent auction at the event. Tickets may be reserved by calling 532-8300. Proceeds will be used to defer the cost of the choir's annual tour.
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Junior College Volleyball

UT Brownsville at Wharton County Junior College....................7 p.m.

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26-2A - East Bernard at Hitchcock......................................7:30 p.m.
26-2A - Brazos vs. Royal at Brookshire.................................7:30 p.m.
24-4A - El Campo vs. Lamar Consolidated at Rosenberg...........7:30 p.m.
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Saturday

Swimming

Wharton at Angleton Invitational......................................9 a.m.
WCJC process tech program gets upgrade

The Wharton County Junior College Process Technology Program will add more simulator programs, virtual lab experiments, heat exchangers, and other equipment to its small-scale, petrochemical plant housed in the Testenner Engineering Building in Bay City. The technology upgrade is funded through a $47,920 Carl D. Perkins Grant.

Joining the current Simtronic simulator programs for boilers, distillation units, furnaces, and benzene reactors will be three, customized simulator programs for neutralization reactor, heated water, and distillation columns.

Additional workstations will expand student access to these programs allowing them to conduct experiments and operate process units in a virtual setting before performing them in the laboratory and model process unit.

Other equipment funded by the Perkins Grant includes three acrylic heat exchangers, a small-scale, steam engine with electric generator, videos about process technology, safety and environmental issues, and other equipment.

The current scale-model distillation column will also be refurbished with a new chiller.

Wayne Stephens, a 30-year veteran of the chemical process industry, directs the WCJC Process Technology Program.

He said the purchases “bring us to a much higher level technically and give us the capability to show students through simulation programs, hands-on demonstrations, and videos what they read in the text.”

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WCJC Grant Not DeLayed

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Wharton Matched with Calallen & Tuloso Midway at Corpus Christi 8 a.m.

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Cross Country
District 26-2A Championships at Royal High School in Brookshire

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Junior College Volleyball
Wharton County JC vs. San Jacinto College in Pasadena

...7 p.m.
McCrohan given high marks

Betty McCrohan is doing a great job as president of Wharton County Junior College, the college’s government board has concluded.

WCJC trustees expressed that confidence after completing an annual review of her performance on Tuesday.

McCrohan has been the president since 2001. She is the sixth president since WCJC’s birth in 1946.

"The consensus is she is highly rated," said Phil Stephenson, a WCJC board member from Wharton.

"We think she is doing a heck of a job," he said. "We think she is a great leader. That was the consensus."

Her greatest strengths, he added, are strategic planning and communication.

She also has been highly successful building an effective and cohesive administrative team. Many are products of the college, itself, said Georgia Krenek, also a trustee from Wharton.

"We feel she has done an excellent job. Promoting the college’s image and garnering support for the college has been outstanding," Krenek said.

The annual evaluation, held Tuesday, is required by board policy. It was postponed from last month because of Hurricane Rita.

McCrohan, who works under a three-year contract, was pleased with outcome.

"They were very satisfied and would like to keep me for a while," she said. "We had a very good session. It was very constructive."
WCJC spikers drop two matches

By MIKE KONVICKA
Journal-Spectator Sports Editor

WCJC's volleyball team still has only one win in the Region XIV standings after losing to Galveston College and UT Brownsville earlier in the week.

The Lady Pioneers dropped a hard-fought five game match to the Whitecaps on Tuesday 30-28, 30-26, 24-20, 30-32, 19-17.

Then on Thursday at Pioneer Gym, WCJC lost to the Scorpions 30-19, 30-22, 28-30, 30-24 to fall to 1-6.

"We just didn't play well and made a lot of mistakes," said WCJC coach Harold Shilk.

"When you make your own mistakes, you're going to lose."

In the match against Galveston, WCJC blew leads of 14-13, 15-14, 16-15 and 17-16 in the fifth game.

"We should have won that game but couldn't pick up the final point," said Shilk. "We just started off too slow. It was a hard loss."

WCJC also had a big lead in the first game before the Whitecaps scored four straight points to break a 26-26 tie.

"We were ahead to the very end and should have won it," said Shilk. "It was a hard loss."

UTB, who lost to the Lady Pioneers last Friday, improved to 6-1 and are in second place.

WCJC jumped out to a quick 5-0 lead in the first game but UTB came back to tie it at 7-7.

The Lady Pioneers then took a 13-12 but the Scorpions went on a big run thanks to the serving of Bridgette Longoria to go up 29-17.

After WCJC's Lyndell Marek hit an ace, the Scorpions picked up a point for the win.

UTB broke an 11-11 tie in the second game and went up 17-12. A kill by Marek and three serves by Cassie Street made it 17-16.

But Scorpion Jessica Plyer served up six straight points to make it 23-16.

WCJC made it 23-18 but UTB answered with a 4-0 run on serves by Ashley Sabrusla to go up 27-19.

WCJC came back to make it 28-22 but two kills by Plyer ended the game.

In a see-saw third game, WCJC battled back from a 22-20 deficit to go up 23-22 on serves by Lindsay Barrow.

UTB later tied the score at 24 but a kill by Marek put the Lady Pioneers up by one. WCJC then

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UT Brownsville def. WCJC 30-18, 30-22, 28-30, 30-24
Lee Col at San Jacinto Col. (NA)

Friday's Results
Laredo CC at Galveston Col., late.
UT Brownsville at Alvin CC, late.

Today's Matches
Laredo CC at Alvin CC, 2 p.m.
UT Brownsville at Galveston Col., 2 p.m.

Oct. 25 Matches
Galveston Col. at Lee Col., 7 p.m.
Alvin CC at San Jacinto Col., 7 p.m.

Oct. 27 Match
Alvin CC at WCJC, 2 p.m.
Continued WCJC spikers drop two matches

-Lady Pioneers dealt losses by Galveston, Scorpions-

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took a 28-24 lead but the Scorpions came back to make it 28-27.

A serve into the net made it 29-27 but UTB made it 29-28.
A service point by Marek finally ended the game.

The Scorpions relied on hitting errors to build a 14-9 lead in the fourth game.

WCJC came back to make it 18-17 on an ace by Cariann Gutowsky and a block by Mary Beth Langston.

With the score at 21-19, the Scorpions picked up two more points. But WCJC came back to make it 23-21.

The Scorpions then went up 25-22 and Player's serving gave them match point.

Two kills by Gutowsky made it 29-24 but an out of bounds hit ended the match.

Against UTB, Marek had 14 kills. Gutowsky finished with 12.
Street had 10 and Langston had eight.

Marek and Street also had aces. Lyndell had two blocks and Street had one.
Amy Schneider had 30 digs. Marek added 19 and Lindsay had 18.

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Street also had seven blocks. Barrow had four and Kelly McNight had two.

Schneider had 40 digs and Marek had 28

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DELAY VISITS WCJC FORT BEND CENTER — Congressman Tom DeLay recently visited the Wharton County Junior College Fort Bend Technical Center in Richmond to take a first-hand look at instructional equipment purchased with funding received from a Congressionally-directed grant of $496,000 which he helped secure for the college earlier this year. WCJC used the grant to purchase computers, network printers, work stations, data projectors, and servers at its Wharton campus and two Fort Bend County campuses. DeLay visited the class of WCJC Instructor of Business and Office Administration Mary McClelland, pictured standing. Also pictured are keyboard class students Esperanza Leos, left, and Veronica Leos.
EB students to go to ‘university day’

East Bernard High School seniors will travel to Wharton County Junior College on Monday, Nov. 14.

They will attend the annual University Information Day hosted by WCJC.

Students will leave from East Bernard at 10 a.m. and return around noon.

All seniors are required to ride the bus to and from the event, school officials said.

Learn About WCJC in EC on Nov. 1

Explore educational opportunities at WCJC by visiting with recruiting coordinator Julie Aaronson and financial aide counselor George Lehnert on Tuesday, Nov. 1 from 4-7 p.m. No appointment needed. Just drop by Northside Education Center at 707 Fahren- thold in El Campo, directly behind the El Campo library, and learn what WCJC has to offer.
Alvin deals Lady Pioneers region loss

East Bernard graduate Jennifer Witte paces Dolphins

By MIKE KONVICKA
Journal-Spectator Sports Editor

WCJC’s volleyball team played the first game of Thursday’s Region XIV match against Alvin Community College at Pioneer Gymnasium like gang busters, winning 30-19.

But the Lady Pioneers went the opposite direction in the next three and lost by scores of 30-24, 30-25, 30-22.

The intensity was there first and then we fell apart,” said Shilk.

“We’ve been that way all year long. We play really, really good and then play bad.”

Alvin had built big leads in those games before WCJC mounted comebacks which were not enough.

“We fell behind too much and then it was too late,” said Shilk.

The loss left WCJC with a 1-7 regional record and Alvin improved to 6-4. The Dolphins won 3-7 Galveston today.

Region-leading San Jacinto beat Alvin in three games on Tuesday to improve to 9-0. Second place Lee College beat Galveston to improve to 6-3.

The Lady Rebels played third place Laredo Friday night and hosts UT Brownsville today.

The Scorpions were 6-3 before playing San Jac last night.

Alvin broke a 4-4 tie in the second game and built leads of 11-5, 16-7, 19-11 and 23-13 before WCJC came back to make it 27-21 when Cassie Street hit an ace.

The Lady Pioneers then trailed 28-23 but Alvin picked up two points for the win.

WCJC built a 14-12 lead in the third game but then fell behind 17-14 when the Lady Pioneers got a bad call.

“We can’t ever get a call our way,” said Shilk.

WCJC later tied it at 19-19 but Alvin responded and took a 24-20 lead.

The Lady Pioneers then trailed 25-22 but Alvin answered with three straight points to go up 28-22.

Two kills by Street later made it 28-25 but Alvin added two points for the win.

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Alvin then built an 18-15 lead and then went up 25-18. WCJC made it a 27-22 game but the Dolphins scored three points to end the match.

Langston finished with 16 kills, two blocks, four assists and nine digs for WCJC.

Czarina Gutowsky had 12 kills, and 12 digs. Street had 11 kills, five blocks and eight digs.

Marek had 11 kills, one block, 19 digs and two service aces.

McKnight had five kills with one block.

Setter Lindsay Barrow had 44 assists with two blocks and 10 digs.

Libero player Amy Schneider had 40 digs.

Alvin freshman Jennifer Witte, a graduate of East Bernard, finished with 11 kills and seven blocks for the Dolphins.

Megan Klimtchek had 19 kills and seven blocks.

Tanya Oliver added 15 kills and five blocks and Robin Walker had 15 kills and seven blocks.

WCJC hosts San Jacinto in a 7 p.m. match on Tuesday and then entertains 1-7 Laredo Community College at 6 p.m. Wednesday.

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WCJC's Lyndell Marek watches teammate Kelly McKnight hit the volleyball over the net in Thursday's Region XIV match against Alvin Community College in Pioneer Gymnasium. The Dolphins beat the Lady Pioneers in four games.
Campaign launched to buy new theater seats for WCJC

Wharton County Junior College has kicked off a fundraising campaign to replace 300 seats in the Horton Foote Theatre. They're needed because original seats were installed in 1967 and repair parts are no longer available for them.

Donors to the “Named Seat Project” will have the opportunity to provide a lasting tribute to an important person in their lives by naming seats in memory of loved ones or acquaintances, or in honor of special occasions or individuals. Named seats may be purchased for $200 each and include an engraved plaque with up to three lines of text totaling up to 20 characters per line. Contributions are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by the law.

Jeanene Dittman Merka, president of The WCJC Foundation, said “Thousands of community members attend events at the Horton Foote Theatre on the WCJC campus each year. By naming a seat after a special friend or loved one, donors contribute to the lasting legacy of that individual while helping to refurbish the theatre.”

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Laredo CC at Wharton County Junior College..........................6 p.m.

## Thursday

### High School Volleyball

Region IV, Class 2A Area Match – Boling vs. Navarro at Yoakum......7 p.m.

### Sub Varsity Football

Palacios at Wharton, Frosh-Junior Varsity.............................6 p.m.
Danbury at East Bernard, Junior Varsity..............................6 p.m.
Boling vs. Royal at Brookshire, Junior Varsity.......................6 p.m.

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### Junior College Volleyball

Wharton County Junior College at Laredo CC..........................6 p.m.

## Saturday

### Cross Country

Region IV Class 2A -3A Championships at UT San Antonio...............9 a.m.

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### Swimming

Wharton at Lamar Invitational in Rosenberg................................9 a.m.
WCJC spikers play Laredo in final home match tonight

BY MIKE KONVICKA
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The WCJC volleyball team plays its final home match of the season tonight, taking on Laredo Community College.

The Lady Pioneers played Region XIV champion San Jacinto College in Pioneer Gymnasium on Tuesday night and were 1-7 in league play.

The Ravens were a perfect 11-0 as they prepare to play in the regional tournament next weekend in Brownsville.

WCJC travels to Laredo on Thursday afternoon to play the Palominos in a 6 p.m. match on Friday to finish the season.

The Palominos are 2-8, upsetting second place Lee College last weekend.

The Lady Rebels are 6-3 and play at Alvin, who has the same record, tonight.

Third place UT Brownsville completed its season last weekend, beating Lee College and losing to San Jacinto.

The Scorpions claimed the fourth and final playoffs spot and finished at 6-6.

It's been a disappointing season for the Lady Pioneers who were 8-17 before playing last night.

Coach Harold Shilk has gotten good play from hitters Lyndell Marek, a graduate of Bellville, and middle blocker Cassie Street.

Kelly McKnight, Cariann Gutowsky, Amy Schneider, Mary Beth Langston, Lindsay Barrow and Whitney Kotrala have also played well this season.

WCJC opened its season back in late August and won three matches to win the East Texas College Tournament.

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WCJC instructor attends National Endowment for humanities workshop

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Lady Pioneers host Galveston College in season finale Monday

By MIKE KONVICKA
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WCJC volleyball coach Harold Shilk said a loss to Region XIV champion and nationally ranked San Jacinto College on Tuesday night in Pioneer Gymnasium was beneficial to his team.

In a home match on Wednesday, WCJC bounced back to beat Laredo 30-24, 30-25, 35 to pick up its only second win in regional play.

"I think playing well against San Jac gave us confidence," said Shilk.

"We just knew that we could beat them (Laredo). I'm happy with the win and glad we pulled it through."

The Lady Pioneers lost to the Ravens on Tuesday 25-30, 30-24, 30-28, 30-21 in a hard fought match.

WCJC played the Palominos again on Friday in Laredo in a make up match from earlier in the season.

The Lady Pioneers close out their season on Monday by hosting Galveston who fell to 3-8 after losing to Lee College on Wednesday.

San Jac, Lee, Alvin and UTB Brownsville will play in the regional tournament next Friday and Saturday. It will be played in Brownsville.

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The Lady Pioneers then went up 23-18 but the Palominos answered with two quick points. Four serves by Lindsay Barrow combined with a kill by Lyndell Marek and block by Cariann Gutowsky gave the WCJC a 27-21 lead.

Just moments later blocks by Cassie Streit and Mary Beth Langston gave the Lady Pioneers game point. After Tania Garza hit an ace for Laredo, Gutowsky slammed the ball to the court for a kill to end the game.

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WCJC got an early 7-1 lead in the third game and later went up 19-14 on a kill by Gutowsky.

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WCJC hitters combined for a season high of 60 kills.

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In Tuesday's loss to San Jac, Langston had 16 kills. Street had 15. Marek had nine and Gutowsky and McKnight had five each. McKnight also had three blocks and Street had two. Gutowsky had three aces. Barrow had 42 assists. Schneider finished with a school high of 48 digs. Marek had 25, Mary Beth Langston had 18 and Gutowsky and Street had 10 each.
Continued Loss helps WCJC bounce back to beat Laredo

WCJC's Kelly McNight hits the volleyball over the net in Wednesday's Region XIV match against Laredo Community College.

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Wharton County Junior College Rodeo Team

Here is this year's Wharton County Junior College rodeo team. Front row from left, Devon Porter of Solsgirth, Manitoba, Canada, Quiet McClendon of Three Rivers, Thomas Bray of Fulshear, Cody Graves of East Bernard, Travis Prejean of Bellmose, La., Brandon Reese of Sherman, Josh Hudson of Kaufman, Matt Prichard of Victoria and Kris Loupe of Esthertood, La. Second row, coach Sean Amestoy, Rudy Austin of Zachary, La., Josh Dix of Greenville, Tim Erickson of Guy, Blake Rosenbaum of Columbus, John Klier of Needville, Casey Rice of Sealy, Justin Atkinson of Boling, Aaron Smidt of Yorktown, Keith Hobital of Needville and Trey Brssard of of Esthertood, La. Top row, Lucy Taylor of Victoria, Mandy Jo Fox of George west, Carly McGunster of George West, Lindsay Bobbitt of West Columbia, Sheila Scibba of Victoria, Erin Sebeata of Needville, Cheyenne Pietsch of El Campo and Mindy Grens of Houma, La.. Not pictured is Jonathan Bernhard of Victoria, D.J. Domangue of Houma, La., Douglas Duncan of Alvin. Morgan Montelio of El Campo, Casey Haiderman of Shiner, Justin Hendrick and Rosenburg and Nathan Michalke of Sealy.
### Sports Scene

...A look at the area's upcoming events

#### Saturday

**Cross Country**
Region IV Class 2A-3A Championships at UT San Antonio...9 a.m.

**High School Football**
- 2A-4A - Bay City vs. Lamar Consolidated at Rosenberg...2 p.m.
- 2A-4A - Brazosport vs. Terry at Rosenberg...8 p.m.
- 2A-4A - Foster at Angleton...7 p.m.
- 2A-4A - Calhoun at El Campo...3 p.m.

**Swimming**
Wharton at Lamar Invitational in Rosenberg...9 a.m.

#### Monday

**Junior College Volleyball**
Galveston College at Wharton County Junior College...7 p.m.

#### Tuesday

**Girls Basketball**
Wharton at Brenham, Frosh-JV-Varsity...4:30
**Flu shots at WCJC**

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FITTING RIGHT IN
Katrina evacuees taking classes at WCJC - Richmond

By Clair Maciel

For many college students in the New Orleans area, Hurricane Katrina couldn't have come at a worse time. Just as classes were about to begin for the fall semester, students were forced to evacuate and enroll at another college out of state.

Luckily, Wharton County Junior College in Richmond stepped up to help several evacuate students.

Scott Glass, director for the WCJC Richmond campus, said about 15 students came from Louisiana to register for classes. While a few of them have returned home, the majority of those 15 students remain at WCJC, he said.

Two freshman students, Barrielle Joseph and Terise Scott, who are cousins, said it was a challenging transition to adjust to the immediate arrangements because when they arrived, classes had already started the week before.

“We had to enroll the day we got here, and we started classes the next day,” said Joseph, a nursing major. “It happened so fast, we didn't have time to think.”

But despite the fact that their lives were turned upside down, Joseph, who was enrolled at Delgado Community College, and Scott, who was to attend the University of New Orleans, found an upside to the whole situation.

“In a way it's better now because we got a head start in school. If we wouldn't have come here, we wouldn't have started classes on time, and we would have had to wait until next semester,” said Scott, a pre-med biology major.

Glass said that in order to make the transition a little easier on the students, both the instructors and Barnes and Noble Booksellers provided books and school supplies free of charge to the evacuees.

“The instructors here were very

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Terise Scott and Barrielle Joseph
Staff photo by Clair Maciel
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understanding of their situation," Glass said. "They wanted to do whatever they could to make the transition as easy and pain-free as possible, and they did an excellent job in doing so."

Now that they have each settled in, Joseph and Scott are excelling in their classes. Glass said he noticed right away that these two students would easily fit right into their classes.

"They are both good students, and they were able to catch up pretty quickly after missing the first week," he said. "It is very commendable for them to do this well."

For now, neither of their families is able to return to their homes in Louisiana because, according to Joseph, the houses still have a lot of mold and are not in livable conditions.

Until it is safe to return home, the two of them are staying with family and trying to adjust to the more rural setting of Richmond and Rosenberg as compared to the city life of New Orleans.

Scott said she can't wait to go back to her home town, where everything is familiar and within walking distance.

"I miss the city and how everything is close together," Scott said. "If I was home and wanted to go to the store, I could walk. But I can't do that here. Everything is so spaced out. And I don't have a car, so I can't go anywhere."

Joseph, on the other hand, doesn't mind the change of scenery.

"It's kind of peaceful here; I like it," she said. "People kind of keep to themselves. It's not so loud and busy like the city."
## Sports Scene

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### Thursday

**High School Football**

- Class 2A Division II Bi-District – Brazos vs. Little River Academy at A&M Consolidated in College Station. 7:30 p.m.
- Class 3A Division I Area – Columbia vs. Gonzales at Victoria Memorial. 7:30 p.m.

### Friday

**Football**

- Class 2A Division II Bi-District – East Bernard vs. Lexington at A&M Consolidated in College Station. 7:30 p.m.
- Class 3A Division II Bi-District – Sweeny vs. Cuero at Victoria Memorial. 7:30 p.m.

**Girls Basketball**

- Bay City at Wharton, Frosh-JV-Varsity. 5 p.m.

### Saturday

**Girls Basketball**

- East Bernard at Edna, Frosh-JV-Varsity. 2 p.m.

**Cross Country**

- UIL State Championships at Settler's Park in Round Rock. 8 a.m.

**Football**

- Class 3A Division II Bi-District – Needville vs. Halletsville at Victoria Memorial. 2 p.m.
College’s info night is Nov. 16

From Facts staff reports

LAKE JACKSON — Parents, students and counselors from the Angleton, Brazosport and Columbia-Brazoria school districts are invited to meet with representatives from more than 30 colleges and universities, including Brazosport College. Information will include costs, financial aid, scholarships, available dorm space, academic programs, entrance requirements, admissions and transfers.

Brazosport College’s annual College Information Night will be from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Nov. 16 at Brazosport College, 500 College Drive, Lake Jackson, in the student activities area on the first floor of the college. For information, contact Phil Robertson, (979) 230-3236 or Phil Robertson@brazosport.edu.

"Brazosport College has been pleased to host this annual Information Night, now in its 10th year running," said Brazosport College counselor Phil Robertson. "We plan it carefully to be a valuable educational goal-planning resource for our service-area high school communities."

College

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Max Brod

Funeral services for Max Earl Brod, age 71, of Wharton, were held at 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 7, 2005, at the chapel of Wharton Funeral Home with Rev. Gene Wofford and Mickey Reynolds officiating. Burial followed in Evergreen Memorial Park Cemetery in Wharton.

Mr. Brod was born on April 28, 1934, in Newgulf, the son of the late Elmer John Brod and Marie Barnett Brod. He passed away on Nov. 4, 2005, at his home in Wharton following an extended illness.

He graduated from Boling High School in 1953 and from the University of Houston in 1960. Mr. Brod participated in many football programs including Boling High School, Wharton Junior College, Texas Tech University and the U.S. Army where he was chosen by the military newspaper, The Stars & Stripes, to the All Star Team as a fullback and linebacker and later drafted by the New York Giants football team. He coached football at Cuero High School and Temple High School and also coached for many years in the Cy-Fair Sports Association. Mr. Brod was an Allstate Insurance Agent for 30 years until his retirement in 1991.

Besides his parents, Max was also preceded in death by his brother, Delbert Elmer Brod in 2004 and his father-in-law, Bob Lominac.

He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather. He leaves to mourn his passing, his wife of 30 years, Bobbie S. Brod of Wharton; his daughters and sons-in-law and grandchildren, Teri and Mike Penrose of San Antonio and their children Ashley and husband Golden, Kaylea, Chance and Dalton; Nancy and Randy Wass of Brighton, Colo., and their children, Alyson and Zach, and Linda Brod of Wharton and her children, Chris, Sam and Sarah; his sons and daughter-in-law and children, Kyle and Raquel Brod of Tomball, Kinsey and Berklee; his son, Scott James of Navasota and his son, Brandon; “other” son, Joe Lee Garcia and one great-grandson Kendall; his sisters and brothers-in-law, Hazel and J.C. McFarland of Caldwell, and Dorothy and Gene Wofford of Missouri City; a sister-in-law, Marianne Brod; mother-in-law, Lois Lominac; and a host of relatives and friends.

Mr. Brod always had a smile and a funny story for everyone. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him. Special thanks to all his friends at the McDonalds morning coffee club, especially his coach and longtime friend, Tom Pickett and to the guys at the daily afternoon domino game. Also very special thanks to his Hospice nurse, Joe Hochman.

Pallbearers were Zach Wass, Chris Thieret, Sam Thieret, Del Brod Jr., Max Brod II, Jimmy McFarland, Joe Lee Garcia and Vincent Reina.

Honorary Pallbearers were all of the boys he coached in the Cy-Fair Sports Association.

In lieu of usual remembrances the family requests memorials to Hospice Support, Inc. P.O. Box 1417, El Campo, TX 77437; or the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 15186, Austin, TX 78761.

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MAX EARL BROD
Audice Lynn Rieger

Audice Lynn Rieger was born on July 28, 1927, near New Taiton in Wharton County, Texas to Benjamin F. and Lillie Treybig Rieger. He grew up in the communities of Garwood, Eagle Lake, Glen Flora, and El Campo, Texas and graduated from El Campo High School in 1945. He joined the U.S. Navy in June of 1945 and served in Gui- van, Samar in the Leyte Gulf of the Philippine Islands. He attended Wharton County Junior College from 1946-1948 after which time he enrolled at Texas A&I in Kingsville. He graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in petroleum and natural gas engineering in May of 1951 and was selected to be a member of Who’s Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities.

In July 1951, Audice began his career with Houston Pipe Line Company and received his State of Texas Professional Engineers License in 1957. He was Chief Engineer of Houston Pipe Line Company from 1971-1984. In 1985 he became Chief Engineer of Transwestern Pipe Line Company, a subsidiary of Houston Natural Gas. He held the position of Chief Engineer for Gulf Coast Division of Enron Gas Pipeline Operating Company from 1986-1988. He then became Director of Design of Mid Continent Division at Enron Gas Pipeline Operating Company followed by Director, Field Engineering of Enron Gas Pipeline Operating Company, and finally, Director at Enron Gas Group until his retirement in January 1993. Audice’s professional organizational memberships included Houston Engineering and Scientific Society, The Pipe Liners Club of Houston, American Society of Mechanical Engineers and Gulf Coast Gas Measurement Society.

Audice married the “love of his life,” Clara Myrtle Rieger, on Sept. 1, 1952. They lived in Houston and raised their children, Karl and Debbie, in the Shepherd Forest subdivision. They were members of Zion Lutheran Church in Houston. Audice and Myrtle moved to Katy in 2000.

Audice was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather who dearly loved his family and friends and cherished his time with all of them. His grandchildren held a very special place in his heart, and he shared countless hours with each of them. He especially enjoyed family reunions, holiday gatherings, hunting and fishing trips, and company and school reunions. Audice loved helping others and gave so graciously and unselfishly of himself to help others or just to let them know how important they were to him whether it was by cooking for others, sharing vegetables from his garden, going to visit, making a phone call, or sending a greeting card.

Following complications resulting from ALS, Audice passed away peacefully with his family by his side on Sunday, November 6, 2005, at the age of 78. He was predeceased by his parents and sister, Eula Besch.

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A celebration of Audice’s life was held on Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2005 at 10:30 a.m. at Zion Lutheran Church, 3606 Beauchamp in Houston, with the Rev. Don Carlson officiating. The service was followed by a gathering in the Great Room of Zion with internment at 2:30 p.m. in Evergreen Memorial Park in Wharton.

Serving as pallbearers were Walter Treybig, Jr., Joe Welch, Gary Kinder, Ray Lewis, Pat Ketcham, Pete Chutt, Tommy Rieger and Bill Janacek. Honorary pallbearers were Charles Schorre, Bob Bradfield, Bob Thiele, Ray Dietrich, Jim Hansford, Bob Brown, Otis Bryant and Ed Causey.

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Lady Pioneers finish with win

WCJC spikers tie for 5th in region standings

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WCJC’s volleyball team ended its season on a winning note Tuesday night at Pioneer Gym.
The Lady Pioneers beat Galveston College 30-23, 30-25, 30-23 to finish in a three-way tie for fifth place in the Region XIV standings.
“It was a good way to wind up the season,” said WCJC coach Harold Shilk. “Overall I thought we did a better job.”

WCJC, along with Laredo and Galveston, finished at 3-9 but the Lady Pioneers won more games than the Palominos and Whitecaps did.

The Lady Pioneers finished the season at 10-9.
“We improved all year long and with a little bit of luck made the regional tournament,” said Shilk.

Champion San Jacinto College, Lee, UT Brownsville and Alvin will play in a double-elimination tournament Friday and Saturday in Brownsville.

Both teams had several service errors throughout the match which WCJC dominated for the most part.

The Lady Pioneers rallied from an 18-15 deficit in the third game to tie it up and then go ahead 21-18 on the serving of freshman Cassie Street.

Galveston came back to make it 22-20 but a kill by Mary Beth Langston and an out of bounds hit put WCJC up 24-20.

Just moments later, Langston slammed the ball to the floor again and WCJC led 26-22.

After Galveston picked up its final point, Street slammed the kill to make it 27-23.

Langston stepped to the service line and WCJC picked up two points for a 28-22 lead. A kill by Street left the Lady Pioneers with match point and an ace by Langston ended it.

WCJC broke open a 14-13 lead in the first game and built a 24-18 advantage.

Just moments later, Lyndell Marek slammed two kills for a 26-22 lead.

After Galveston made it 28-23, Kelly McNight got two kills to end the game.

The Lady Pioneers broke a 10-10 tie in the second game to build a 16-12 lead.

Galveston came back to make it 21-19 and then trailed 25-24. WCJC then took a 28-25 lead after Lindsay Barrow hit an ace.

A kill by Marek gave the Lady Pioneers game point and Barrow hit another ace to end the game.

WCJC hitters combined for 68 kills in the match.

Langston finished with 17. Gutowsky and Street had 15 each.

Marek added 11.

Kelly McKnight had nine and Barrow had one.

The Lady Pioneers enjoyed success in blocking the ball and finished with 17.

McKnight and Street had five each. Barrow, Langston and Marek had two each and Gutowsky had one.

Street also had four service aces. Marek had two aces and Barrow. Gutowsky, Amy Schneider and Barrow had one each.

Schneider also had 38 digs. Marek had 19, Barrow had 17. Gutowsky had 16.

Langston had nine. Street had three and McKnight had two.

Barrow had 43 setting assists and Gutowsky had three.
WCJC's Carlynn Gutowsky digs the volleyball in Monday's Region XIV home match against Galveston College. The Lady Pioneers beat the Whitscaps in three games to pick up their 10th win of the season.
Audice Lynn Rieger was born on July 28, 1927, near New Tafton in Wharton County, Texas to Benjamin F. and Lillie Treybig Rieger. He grew up in the communities of Garwood, Eagle Lake, Glen Flora, and El Campo, Texas and graduated from El Campo High School in 1945. He joined the U.S. Navy in June of 1945 and served in Guimauve, Samar in the Leyte Gulf of the Philippine Islands.

Audice attended Wharton County Junior College from 1946-1948 after which time he enrolled at Texas A&M in Kingsville, Texas. He graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering in May of 1951 and was selected to be a member of Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities.

In July 1951, Audice began his career with Houston Pipe Line Company and received his State of Texas Professional Engineers License in 1957. He was Chief Engineer of Houston Pipe Line Company from 1971-1984. In 1985 he became Chief Engineer of Transwestern Pipe Line Company, a subsidiary of Houston Natural Gas. He held the position of Chief Engineer for Gulf Coast Division of Enron Gas Pipeline Operating Company from 1986-1988. He then became Director of Design of Mid Continent Division at Enron Gas Pipeline Operating Company followed by Director, Field Engineering of Enron Gas Pipeline Operating Company, and finally, Director at Enron Gas Group until his retirement in Jan. 1993.

Audice's professional organizational memberships included Houston Engineering and Scientific Society, The Pipe Liners Club of Houston, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, and Gulf Coast Gas Measurement Society.

Audice married the love of his life, Clara Myrtle Rieger, on Sept. 1, 1952. They lived in Houston and raised their children, Karl and Debbie, in the Shepherd Forest subdivision. They were members of Zion Lutheran Church in Houston. Audice and Myrtle moved to Katy in 2000.

Audice was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather who dearly loved his family, friends and cherished his time with all of them. His grandchildren held a very special place in his heart, and he shared countless hours with each of them. He especially enjoyed family reunions, holiday gatherings, hunting and fishing trips, and company and school reunions.

Audice loved helping others and gave so graciously and unselfishly of himself to help others or just to let them know how important they were to him whether it was by cooking for others, sharing vegetables from his garden, going to visit, making a phone call, or sending a greeting card.

Following complications resulting from ALS, Audice passed away peacefully with his family by his side on Sunday, Nov. 6, 2005, at the age of 78.

He was preceded by his parents; and sister, Eula Besch. He is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 53 years, Clara Myrtle Mimi Rieger of Katy; son and daughter-in-law, Karl and Donna Rieger of Houston; daughter and son-in-law, Debbie and David Kotzebue of Katy; granddaughter Jami and husband, Brian Holmes of Houston; granddaughter, Melissa Rieger of Houston; granddaughter, Kristen Rieger of San Marcos; grandson, Bryce Kotzebue of Houston; grandson, Kyle Kotzebue and wife, Kristin, of Katy; grandson, Brad Kotzebue of College Station; and great-grandson, Blake, due the first of December. He is also survived by numerous cousins, nieces, nephews, and brothers- and sisters-in-law.

A celebration of Audice's life was held on Saturday, Nov. 8, 2005 at 10:30 a.m. at Zion Lutheran Church, 3606 Beauchamp in Houston, with the Rev. Don Carlson officiating. The service was followed by a gathering in the Great Room of Zion with interment at 2:30 p.m. in Evergreen Memorial Park in Wharton, Texas.

Serving as pallbearers were Walter Treybig Jr., Joe Welch,
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Gary Kinder, Ray Lewis, Pat Ketcham, Pete Cluett, Tommy Rieger and Bill Janacek.

Honorary pallbearers were Charles Schorre, Bob Bradfield, Bob Thiele, Ray Dietrich, Jim Hansford, Bob Brown, Otis Bryant and Ed Causey.

In lieu of usual remembrances, memorial contributions may be made to the ALS Association of Houston, P.O. Box 271561, Houston, Texas 77277.

Audice Rieger
WCJC offers core classes in afternoon for spring semester

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Additional information about these courses is available at the college Web site or by calling the Sugar Land campus at 281-243-8410.

WCJC English'1302 Course in El Campo

WCJC will offer English 1302 composition II at Northside Education Center in El Campo on MWF, 11-11:50 a.m. as an ITV class during the Spring 2006 semester. Register at WCJC or online at www.wcjc.edu.
Placement tests for WCJC classes being administered for spring

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have an application for admission to WCJC on file and have paid the $25 testing fee. A receipt for the testing fee can be taken to any testing center at the campus of choice to make an appointment to test.

THEA Alternative/ASSET exam scores are listed on students' official WCJC transcript and transfer to other universities after students complete three semester hours at WCJC.

To speak with WCJC testing representatives, please contact the respective campuses as follows: Wharton Campus, 1-800-561-9252, ext. 6386 or 6457; Richmond WCJC Fort Bend Technical Center, 1-800-561-9252, ext. 1532; or Sugar Land Campus, 1-800-561-9252, ext. 8434 or 8503.
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WCJC production opens this Wednesday

The Wharton County Junior College Drama Department presents Cynthia Mercati's "To See the Stars" Wednesday, Nov. 16, through Sunday, Nov. 19.

Tickets are $4 and all performances will be at 7:30 p.m. in the Horton Foote Theater on the local campus.

The play is an historically accurate retelling of the 1909 Shirtwaist Factory Strike that occurred in New York City.

At the time, thousands of women were employed under deplorable conditions by the garment industry.

Oftentimes the women were first generation immigrants to the U.S.

Lacking education, a full understanding of the legal system, the ability to fully speak the English language, these women fell prey to unscrupulous factory owners, brutal supervisors, corrupt police officials and an unsympathetic culture which held that women could only improve their social status through marriage.

The 1909 strike was orchestrated by a small group of young women and culminated in a march which included 20,000 workers.

Even more compelling is that the strike was supported by an unprecedented level of social and cultural diversity where men and women forgot boundaries of nationalities, religion, and wealth to make a statement for social justice and fairness.

The play is directed by the WCJC drama director Phil Hoke. Set design is by Mary Beth Prater of El Campo; costume design by Charity Flores of Palacios; and the sound design is by Covey Barbee of Wharton.

The play features the talents of Josh Anderson of Boling; Kim Barron, Nathan Gray and Amber Koch, all of Needville; Covey Barbee and Kevin Zahradnik, both of Wharton; Charity Flores and Katy Schulze, both of Palacios; Leslie Gynes of East Bernard; Evan Newton of Houston; Mary Beth Prater of El Campo; Steve Ryan and Mandie Barnette, both of Sugar Land; Jared Sloan of Bay City; Joe Shelton of Industrial; and Leah Whatley of Katy.
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Placement testing being offered at WCJC

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WCJC drama opens tonight

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Bingo for seniors

Wharton County Junior College's Senior Citizens program will offer bingo for seniors, co-sponsored by Avalon Place, from 2 to 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21, at the LaDieu Center.
WCJC rodeo teams claim championship titles at Nacogdoches

NACOGDOCHES — WCJC's men's and women's rodeo teams brought home championships from the final fall Southern Rodeo competition held at Stephen F. Austin University last weekend.

The men's team totaled up 675 points and beat out second place McNeese State University who had 497 points.

Hill College was third with 490 points and Panola Junior College was fourth with 409 points.

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The WCJC ladies totaled up 208 points to beat out Sam Houston State University who was second with 195 points.

McNeese was third with 145 points and Texas A&M was third with 145 points.

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Devon Porter from Solsgirth, Manitobal Canada took the men's All-Around title in Nacogdoches, totaling up 209 points.

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For the WCJC ladies, Morgan Montello from El Campo finished seventh in barrel racing with a 15.67 time. She is third in the region with 209 points.

Mandi Jo Fox from George West finished second in breakaway roping with a three-second time and Carly McCumber from George West was fifth with a 3.1 second time. Fox and McCumber rank ninth and 10th respectively in the region.
Gene Guffey

Former Mayor Eigean Pershing “Gene” Guffey, 85, of Wharton, died Monday, Nov. 14, 2005 in Wharton.

He was born Dec. 21, 1919 in East Bernard, one of eight children of the late Otis Vernon Guffey and Tressa Blanch Shelton Guffey.

He graduated from East Bernard High School in 1938, where he lettered in track and field, baseball, basketball and football. He was an All-District end and Captain of the 1938 District Championship team. After graduation he moved to Wharton and worked for the Houston Oil Station and Duval Sulfur Co. from 1938-42.

Gene joined the Navy on April 23, 1942 and served in the South Pacific for 42 months during World War II. He achieved the rank of First Class Petty Officer and was honorably discharged in September of 1945.

He returned to Wharton and married the love of his life, Alice Elizabeth Kana, on April 20, 1946. They celebrated their 59th Anniversary on that day this year. In 1949 he opened Guffey Packing Co., a meat market and grocery business. After 27 years, the business burned to the ground on Nov. 6, 1976. During this time he also owned and operated Gene’s Do-nut Shop and Ice Cream Parlor for nine years.

During these busy years, he found time to attend night classes at Wharton County Junior College and completed a two-year program including all courses required for a Realtors License. He entered the Real Estate business in November 1976. He and Alice opened their own Real Estate firm, Gene Guffey Real Estate, in June 1981 where he worked until his retirement in 2004.

During his 67 years in Wharton, Gene led a very active community-oriented and family-oriented life. His list of accomplishments epitomize the Lions Club Motto, “We Serve”. He served as President of Wharton Lions Club, President of the Wharton County 100 Club twice, Commander of the VFW twice, President of the W.C.J.C. Booster Club, Chairman of First United Methodist Church Administrative Board and also served on its Board of Trustees.

He was also Chairman of the Wharton County Selective Service Board, served on the Wharton City Council from 1970-72, was Mayor of Wharton from 1972-76, and was Municipal Judge of Wharton from 1977 until he retired from that position in 1988. The City of Wharton recognized Gene with “Guffey Park” named in his honor for his dedicated service to the community.

He was a Life Member of the Boy Builders, Life Member of the Wharton County Youth Fair, Life Member of the American Legion and VFW, a Charter Member of Wharton County Crime Stoppers, Charter and Life Member of Wharton County 100 Club, Member of Wharton Masonic Lodge #621 and was a Master Mason, member of the First United Methodist Church, former member of the Texas Municipal Courts Association, member of Wharton Country Club and served on the Board of Directors and was a member of the Wharton Lions Club for 53 years where, in 2001, he was named a Melvin Jones Fellow, the highest form of recognition conferred upon a Lion.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, 2005 at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Don Storey officiating. Military graveside services and interment will follow in Evergreen Memorial Park Cemetery under the auspices of the Wharton American Legion Post 87.
Friends may call for visitation at the Wharton Funeral Home from 5-7 p.m. today, Wednesday, Nov. 16. Survivors include his wife, Alice of Wharton; daughters, Nancy O'Hearn and husband Jim of New Braunfels, Donna Chambers and husband Jimmie of Wharton and Carol Guffey of Houston; sons, Bob Guffey and wife Sarah of Sugar Land and Bill Guffey of Houston; sisters, Mary Obohanus and husband Donald of Bonus, Dottie Lechler and husband Ed of Wharton; brother, Donald Guffey and wife Adele of Bay City; sister-in-law Margaret Guffey of Bay City; grandchildren, Scott Chambers and wife Tammy of Wharton, Todd O'Hearn of New Braunfels, Stephanie Chambers of Austin, Casey O'Hearn of Charleston, South Carolina, Laura and Michael Guffey of Sugar Land; great grandchildren, Kirby and Cale Chambers. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Gene was preceded in death by his sister, Winnie Shroyer and husband Cline and by brothers Lloyd Guffey and wife Lillymae, Vernon Guffey and Clifford Guffey.

Pallbearers are Bob Guffey, Bill Guffey, Scott Chambers, Todd O'Hearn, Casey O'Hearn and Michael Guffey.

Honorary pallbearers are Dr. Victor H. Driscoll, Talmadge Fordham, Bob Wynn, Buddy Tompkins, Richard Arnold, J.B. Johse, Ervin Seiler, Bobby Kleas and all members of the Wharton Lions Club, Wharton County 100 Club, Wharton VFW, Wharton American Legion and Masonic Lodge No. 821.

Memorials: Wharton County 100 Club, P.O. Box 868, Wharton, TX 77488 or to the First United Methodist Church, 1717 Pioneer, Wharton, TX 77488.
WCJC administering placement exams

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Walk-in registration at WCJC

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WCJC to add evening classes

Wharton County Junior College hopes to make it easier for people who work to get a college degree.

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Registration already begun for WCJC spring semester

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Web registration will be held now through Jan. 16.
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‘The good, the bad, the ugly’

Evaluation team hears lots of comments about local schools

By BENJAMIN C. SHARP
Journal-Spectator Staff Writer

A consultant group has spent this week garnering opinions and observations about the Wharton Independent School District as part of a performance review.

And though plenty of suggestions have been shared as to possible improvements, lots of positive things have been highlighted, too.

During one of several “focus” group discussions held this week, it was noted that the district may be suffering from a negative perception — one that may not necessarily be warranted.

“I don’t think Wharton gets the credit it is due,” said Betty McCrohan, president of Wharton County Junior College.

“There are good things going on,” added Wharton businessman Eric Muegge.

McCrohan said that WCJC has had a good working relationship with the high school when it comes to college level courses.

She said the district also has a strong corps of volunteers and a host of dedicated teachers. Muegge, whose wife is a third grade teacher, agreed with that last point especially.

“My wife is on the phone at least every other night talking to those parents,” he said.

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Yet there seems to be a problem with parental involvement, said Lance Ousley, rector of St. Thomas Episcopal Church. Ousley said the district needs to find a way to get more parents interested in the PTO and in their child’s progress in class — both with their academics and attitude.

McCrohan agreed.

“If a parent doesn’t value education, it’s hard to make the child,” she noted.

Muegge, though, said students are at least partially to blame.

“A little bit of it is the children’s attitude,” he said.

And some of that may be due to a lack of effective discipline — on the playing field and in the classroom.

“I don’t think it’s very good,” Muegge said of the district’s discipline.

Larry Jackson, editor of the Journal-Spectator, said this may have far-reaching effects.

“I think we have a problem with discipline that results in teachers’ discouraged attitudes,” he said.

That discouragement could also be an effect of how the district’s upper echelon is organized and hired. Some feel it’s a “good old boy” system that values “getting along” more than high standards.

The free-wheeling comments of numerous groups will be sifted and analyzed by the performance review team before being compiled into a final report.

Ultimately, its goal is to propose ways school districts can improve education and get more value for dollars spent.

The report is expected to be complete next April or May.

Comments have been taken in both public and private settings. Many of the groups were specifically invited. Other sessions were for the public in general.

Thursday evening, several dozen district residents attended a meeting in the Wharton High School cafeteria, where they could make written comments.

Writing pads and pencils were provided at various tables, each of which was labeled with a specific topic, such as facilities, safety and security, personnel, purchasing, community relations and the like.

Each year the state conducts a number of these studies, sometimes at the request of the school district and sometimes because the district was selected by the state.

According to a Texas School Performance Review website, “TSPR was created by the Texas Legislature in 1991 to help public schools rise to the increasingly difficult challenge of spending more of their scarce resources in the classroom rather than on needless bureaucracy.”
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Life is a stage for former El Campo grad

By QUALA MATOCHA

Having the privilege of working with some of the most noted entertainers in the business, Gary Zaskoda has been stage manager of Harrah's in Lake Tahoe for almost two decades now. After graduating from El Campo High School and Wharton County Junior College, he left town to pursue a career in theater.

A multitude of stars have graced the stage of Harrah's night club where Zaskoda has created friendships with many celebrities over the years. Some of the noted stars include Sammy Davis, Jr., Jim Nabors, Shirley MacLaine, Ann-Margret, Bob Hope, Frank Sinatra, Liza Minnelli, Mac Davis, Willie Nelson, Charlie Daniels Band, Dolly Parton and Bob Dylan, just to name a few.

Born in El Campo in 1945 to the late Dennis and Evelyn Zaskoda, he has one brother and sister-in-law, Wayne and Mary Beth Zaskoda, as well as other relatives, who live in El Campo.

After graduating from ECHS in 1963, he attended WCJC where he received a degree in drama and a minor in art. From there, he acquired a position at the Houston Music Theatre in the Sharpstown area.

"I worked there for nine months helping build sets, light shows, and move props on and off stage," he said. "The stage manager of this theatre accepted that position at Harrah's Lake Tahoe and called me to work for him. Although I wasn't happy about leaving the theatre atmosphere for more of a night club venue, I was eager for new challenges. So, I accepted his offer."

Zaskoda's first interest in theatre however began while student at ECHS.

"I discovered drama my senior year and fell in love with it," he said. "Also, I did very well in art and shop classes." He also worked for the school district on the "maintenance" crew for four years. Under the direction of Anton Sevcik who was the shop class and mechanical drawing teacher. Then during his junior year, he and some friends organized a band called "Gary Gene and the Kounts."

"We played music throughout the next four years," he said. "These band members—Kenneth Moore, Mario Bustos, Pat Krenek, Andrew Dittter and Ed Tenant—were also my best friends during these early years. I still keep in touch with Kenneth Moore, our drummer, and Mario Bustos, our bass player, who just tracked me down after a 30 year absence."

Arriving in Lake Tahoe in March of 1967, Zaskoda started as a stagehand. "I began working right next to the entertainers," he said. "As a stagehand, my responsibilities included moving props on and off the deck, paging microphone cables, flying curtains in and out, and anything else that was needed to make a show work."

He then progressed to performing other jobs. "One could move up to the light booth to run a follow spotlight or even run the lighting switch board. I did all of that," he said.

"After about two years, I was promoted to head stage technician/assistant stage manager. Now, I supervised all the different aspects of the productions. I held that position for over a year and then was promoted to stage manager at Harrah's Club in Reno, Nev. I stayed in Reno for a year and decided to try my luck as road manager for Engelbert Humperdinck. After arriving in Los Angeles, I didn't like the prospects of all the traveling on the road from gig to gig. So, I decided to start over at Harrah's Tahoe as a stage technician again."

Eventually, he was promoted to assistant stage manager again and then as stage manager in Tahoe in 1986 where he has been for about 20 years.

"As the stage manager, I am in charge of three supervisors, 20 full-time stage technicians, six part-time technicians, one wardrobe person, as well as manage an annual two million dollar entertainment budget," he said. "Along with my supervisory staff, I handle all the technical aspects of all of our entertainment venues here at Harrah's and Harveys."

"This includes one 300 seat showroom, one 275 seat cabaret,
two open stages in the casinos, a piano bar, and two special events centers."

He is also responsible for supplying technicians and support for the events and promotions department for casinos. "Additionally, I deal with the artists' managers, agents, and tech people when gathering information about the upcoming shows and the hospitality they require. I find out what they need technically as well as what they need for their comfort in their dressing rooms during their stay here."

"There have been so many fantastic performers I've worked with, however, there were several that were extra-special to me. Sammy Davis Jr. was a regular performer at Harrah's and became like one of the Harrah's family. I will always remember the last evening of his last public performance at Harrah's. He had recently found out the seriousness of his throat cancer. When he came off stage, he stopped, grabbed my arm and said, "Babe, don't believe everything you read about me. I'll be back." That night ended up being his last show at Harrah's and the last time I saw him in person."

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Above, Gary Zaskoda (far right), formerly of El Campo, and his wife Yvonne, were friends of Sammy Davis Jr., who was a frequent entertainer at the club where Zaskoda is stage manager. This photo was taken in 1969.
At left, Zaskoda is pictured with another celebrity musician who performed at Harrah's, Bo Diddley. This photo was taken in 1978. Over the years, Zaskoda has met many other celebrities. He still has family who reside in El Campo.

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Other favorites came through the doors of Harrah's, too. "In the mid-1970s, John Denver and his cast and crew challenged Harrah's stage crew to a friendly softball game anytime they performed in the summer. This became a summer tradition, not only with him but also other entertainers such as Willie Nelson, Charlie Daniels, Mac Davis, Glen Campbell, Jay Leno and Billy Crystal, to name several."

Zaskoda and wife Yvonne, met in 1969 and were married in 1971. Together they managed a dance studio for seven years before starting a family. "We have two beautiful daughters, Erin and Shelly. The oldest, Erin, is 23 and a public relations major at Whittier Law School in Costa Mesa, Calif. "She is studying intellectual properties/entertainment law. And 21-year-old Shelly, is in her third year at University of Nevada, Las Vegas. "She is a very talented artist. She aspires to be a digital animator for Disney, Pixar, or any of the studios or corporations that engage in digital animation."

Over the years, Zaskoda admits he hasn't returned to his hometown on too many occasions. "My entertainment job requires working weekends and holidays when normal people get that time off. So, between that and school schedules, it's always been very difficult to leave home."

"I still have fond memories of growing up in a small, close-knit town surrounded by aunts, uncles, cousins, and good friends," he said. "I still have many relatives living in the area and wish that we lived closer so that I could share more time with them. Although my last visit was in May 2005 for my mom's funeral, I and my family enjoyed riding around..."
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President's Lecture next Tuesday
at Wharton County Jr. College

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William Willeford

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He was a resident of Wharton most of his life and was Christian by faith. Mr. Willeford was a graduate of Wharton High School and attended Wharton County Junior College.

He was an electrician by trade. Mr. Willeford was preceded in death by his father, William Larry Willeford.

Survivors include his mother, Sherry Ann Kielman of Wharton; daughter, Maylei Martinez Willeford of Sweeny; grandmother, Mary Sue Gage of Wharton; sister, Amy Suzette Robertson of Wharton; a niece, a nephew and several aunts and uncles.

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WCJC now giving tests for spring placement

Placement exams required as part of the Wharton County Junior College admissions process are now being administered for students who will take classes during the Spring 2006 semester.

The Texas Education Code requires students entering a Texas public college or university to take the Texas Higher Education Assessment Test, or THEA, before enrolling in any college-level coursework unless they are exempt.

Those exemptions can be found at wjc.edu by linking to Student Services and then Testing Services.

The paper and pencil version of the THEA is administered five Saturdays each year at the Wharton campus. Although no tests are scheduled before January classes begin, students can take the state-approved THEA Alternative/ASSET exam, which provides immediate scores.

Students who plan to major in education may take the ASSET to qualify for admission, but must take and pass the THEA Test prior to entering their junior year of college. Students who will be in the LVN program may take either the THEA or the ASSET to qualify for admission, but may not use combined scores from these exams.

Several THEA Alternative/ASSET exams will be administered in November and December at all WCJC campuses. Test dates can be obtained at wjc.edu by linking to Student Services and Testing Services, or by calling any WCJC campus.

Information about the THEA is also available at thea.texasc.com.

Since the THEA Alternative/ASSET exam is for WCJC students only, those taking it must have an application for admission to WCJC on file and have paid the $25 testing fee. A receipt for the testing fee can be taken to any testing center at the campus of choice to make an appointment to test.

THEA Alternative/ASSET exam scores are listed on students' official WCJC transcript and transfer to other universities after students complete three semester hours at WCJC.

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Mary Ann Roades honored with endowment at WCJC

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Endowed by her husband, Edgar, to whom she was married for 54 years, the scholarship honors Mrs. Roades' compassion and generosity.

After graduating from Boling High School, she enrolled at WCJC in 1947. It was there that she met Edgar Roades, a graduate of El Campo High School.

In February 1948, she was installed in WCJC's newly organized Zeta Xi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society of two-year colleges. Throughout her life, she championed education for the area's young people.

Friends remember Mrs. Roades as an outstanding student as well as an outstanding person who was always full of love for her God, family and friends. In addition, they say she was always available to provide assistance to anyone who needed her.

Income from the endowment of the Mary Ann Rider Roades Memorial Scholarship will provide assistance annually to at least one graduate each from Boling High School and El Campo High School.

Recipients must be U.S. citizens enrolled as full-time students at the main campus in Wharton. They must have graduated in the top half of their high school class and, while at WCJC, they must maintain a minimum C average.

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Nurse Aide Info Available Monday

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WCJC looks for Bay City home
Businesses say property owners not willing to sell land for development

BY KRISTIN MCCASLAND
Tribune Staff Writer

Board members met in closed session during Monday's Bay City Community Development Corporation meeting to discuss real estate and business financial incentives.

After the session, the board members formed two committees: one to discuss a real estate prospect for a Wharton County Junior College location in Bay City and another to create a business plan for the potential site.

The prospect would offer professional, technology and job training courses for the community through WCJC, according to board vice-president Joe Enoch.

The strategic plan would be to answer questions the board and community have and it would be something that Dr. Betty McCrohan, president of WCJC, could take to the board of trustees, said Enoch.

Any contract will be contingent on board approval.

Board members would not comment on the possible location of WCJC's Bay City campus.

Both committees will need to present findings to the BCCDC board.

BCCDC also approved spending up to $30,000 as an incentive for a possible industrial project.

Andy Hawkins, president of BCCDC and DC Dunham, BCCDC executive director, volunteered to be a part of an oversight committee for the prospect.

"It's premature to announce what the prospect is at this time," said Owen Bludau, president of Matagorda County Economic Development Corporation, who brought the prospect to BCCDC.

At the meeting, Dunham and BCCDC board member Erwin Ward discussed the International Conference of Shopping Centers conference they attended with Bay City Mayor Richard Knapik in San Antonio Nov. 1-3.

"I think it was a really good event," Dunham told BCCDC board members Monday evening.

The group had a booth in the Deal Making Exhibit with about 200 other exhibitors.

"Many retailers were looking at our area; i.e. CATO, Shoe Dept.," said Dunham.

"Some came to Bay City, looked, found land, but could not get the property owners to sell. Or found it hard to get property owners to negotiate," she said.

At the meeting, Ward mentioned possibly attending a similar convention in Las Vegas in the spring of 2006.

Dunham also mentioned that BCCDC received a $2,000 grant for trees for Hardeman Park from Houston-Galveston Area Council's reforestation project.

"We'll be working on a date to do a groundbreaking and unveiling of the new park and I thought that would be a good opportunity (to plant the trees)," said Dunham.
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WCJC rodeo team ...

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WCJC presents its Candlelight concert Thursday, Dec. 8

The Wharton County Junior College Music Department presents the 31st annual Candlelight Holy Days Concert at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church.

The annual tradition was begun in December 1974 by Music Department Head Phil Hart and Choir Director Tom Phillips.

Since its modest beginnings, on the lawn of First Baptist Church, the concert has grown, both in the number of ensembles that perform and the size of the audiences.

Ensembles that have performed include professional musicians from Houston, Wharton County Junior College brass, percussion, and woodwind players and the Colorado River Band and Strings Brass Quintet.

This year’s performers include the Sivells Elementary School Third Grade Choir, the Dawson Elementary School Girls Choir, the WCJC Concert Choir and Chamber Singers, the Combined Handbell Choirs from First Baptist and First United Methodist churches, the WCJC music faculty and special guests.

Pastors, staff and members of First Baptist Church have hosted the program for 30 of the 31 years. The second venue was Holy Family Catholic Church, also in Wharton.

The program includes music as well as narration. The narration is extracted from various sources including Messiah and Judas Maccabaeus by George Frideric Handel; The Christmas Oratorio by Johann Sebastian Bach; Platero and I by Juan R. Jiminez; Hamlet by William Shakespeare; and Journey of the Magi by T.S. Eliot.

Narrators will be Debbie Cenko, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, and Joe Tom Davis, former WCJC instructor of history and professor emeritus. First Baptist Church pianist, Amberly Mathews, will play familiar as well as lesser-known carols on the keyboard.

Music and narration will be mixed...
The WCJC Concert Choir, under the direction of Lee Lemson and accompanied by Debra Lemson, will perform Joyful, Joyful, Hanukkah, Hodie!, There Shall A Star Come Out Of Jacob, and Hallelujah from Messiah. The audience will be invited to sing with the choir on Hallelujah, the final piece of the program. The Chamber Singers will perform A Christmas Soliloquy, Christ is Born Today and Christmas Gloria.

The women of the Chamber Singers will perform Christ is Born Today. Members of the WCJC Concert Choir and Chamber Singers include: Melissa Olide and Mollie Rees from Bay City; Rachel Farley from Baytown; Dayna Moore from Brazoria; Jana Harbaugh from East Bernard; Anthony Jasso from El Campo; Kaylene Kuhlman from Ganado; Marque Barrett from Hemphill; Jarrod Trica from Needville; Robert Argueta, Amanda Garza and Micaela Garza from Richmond; Rebecca Cano, Ana Gonzalez, Katie Hartlage, Amanda Martinez, Mike Martinez, Joshua Nelson and Heather Ortega from Rosenberg; Johnathan Harris from Sealy; Alexander Emmons from Sugar Land; Cody Mullins and Angelina Sanchez from Sweeney; Christina Alanis, Samantha Beener, Heidi Magehee, Brian Mata, Hercules Mugambi and Carrie Mund from Wharton.

The Sivells Elementary School Third Grade Choir, directed by Pat Herring and accompanied by Sally Soderquist on piano, will perform Ready, Set, Christmas! and Go Where I Send Thee.

Members of the Third Grade Choir include Hannah Adams, Carly Albert, Isaiah Allen, Iesha Allen, Monishea Allen, Eduardo Alvarez, Kameren Baines, Jeremy Barron, Antonika Beasley, Mar'Tavia Barrera, Rachel Billings, Katie Camacho, Joel Cantu, John Castellano, Mackay Chamberlain, Maggie Cheatam, Je'Kierah Coleman, Reena Cruz, Esperanza Cuevas, Erin Cullers, Sydnee Davis, Dominique Dillard, Meredith Faix, Shawnese Felton, Felicia Flores, Haley Flores, Rebecca Ford, Angel Granado, Dechristian Griggs, Heather Grissom, Riley Hamilton, Madison Hamlin, Kylie Hardy, Libby Hinze,

The Dawson Elementary School Girls Choir, directed by Kay Bol-lom, will sing three songs.

Members of the Girls Choir include Emily Abbott, Natalie Allen, Amy Bremer, Tori Chamberlai, Kristen Cullers, Carissa Gandy, Stephanie Grissom, Hannah Gubbels, Marissa Hlavinka, Kena Holliman, Macie Huerta, Kristy Hutrya, Erin Long, Jazmine Marbles, Salina Martinez, Darian Massey, Cassidy McDonald, Kath-lin Norrell, Frankie Pace, Stephanie Perez, Jessica Rome, Katie Reyna, Jasmine Simmons, Marisa Sliva, Marissa Vargas, Lexie Walker and Hailey Welch.

The Combined Handbell Choirs from First Baptist and First United Methodist Churches, under the direction of Nina Klingaman, will perform two pieces.

Members of the Handbell Choir include Margie Dornak, Kay Elliott, Lucille Hart, Sandra Kallas, Mary Ellen Martin, Jeanie Merka, Lori Middleton, Ginger Morgan, Pat Potter, Pam O'Quinn, Shari Stelzel, Sheila Taylor, Shari Wilkinson, Dixie Waldrop and Quinn Wrench.

Debra Lemson, WCJC music staff accompanist, will perform on piano. WCJC band director Joe Waldrop will play a Christmas hymn and a traditional Polish carol, on saxophone.

Special guest, Lucille Hart, will sing Breath of Heaven, Mary's Song, and Celtic Carol, Jesu Bambino and What Child Is This? Phil Hart will play Christmas Time and Silent Night on EVI (Electronic Valve Instrument).

Lucille and Phil Hart will perform together on Gloria in Excelsis Deo.

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WCJC expands evening core classes in Sugar Land

Beginning in January, Wharton County Junior College in Sugar Land will offer four core classes from 3 until 5:40 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

One course each will be offered in English Composition II (ENGL 1302) on Mondays, U.S. History II (HIST 1302) on Tuesdays, College Algebra (MATH 1314) on Wednesdays, and Fundamentals of Speech (SPCH 1315) on Thursdays.

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Bingo for seniors
Wharton County Junior College senior citizens program will offer bingo for seniors, cohosted by Wharton Manor, from 2 to 4 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12, at the LaDieu Center.

Medicare program
The National Counsel on Aging and the Access Benefits Council, sponsored by the Wharton County Junior College senior citizens program, will be available to help with the new Medicare D prescription benefit from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16, at the LaDieu Center.

For more information and to register, call 532-6430.
Wi-Fi: Making Wharton hot

By RONALD K. SANDERS
Journal-Spectator News Editor

When she isn’t in class and it’s time to write or research a term paper, Kaitlyn Suchadoll doesn’t rush off to the college library.

Instead, you might find her at the local coffee shop, sipping a cup of java and working on her laptop.

“It’s a great place to sit and study,” said the 20-year-old sophomore at Wharton County Junior College. “There is not a place like this in Wharton.”

In gourmet coffee shops across the country, the laptop computer is nearly as common as a double espresso. Leitia Grosser, owner of Milam Street Coffee Co., decided Wharton should not be an exception.

First, Grosser looked at “hard-wiring,” where people plug their laptops into built-in ports. But that turned out expensive, and, perhaps, not even practical.

She received a $500 quote, and canned that idea.

Instead, she went Wi-Fi. It was a fraction of the price of hard-wiring. It doesn’t force people to carry around cables to plug into hard-wired ports. People aren’t limited in moving around by the length of a cord, either.

Besides, it’s cool.

Wharton County Junior College students use it the most.

“It’s very accessible,” Suchadoll said. Grosser admits “I like it, too.”

Some say Wi-Fi is an acronym for Wireless Fidelity, although others claim the name was just made up to sound like “High Fidelity.” But everyone agrees on what Wi-Fi does.

It uses radio waves to connect to the Internet. It is just like using a computer wired to a modem at a home or office, but without the wires. There’s a home page, surfing and E-mail, all at high speed, and all without a single cord.

Many new computers are already designed for wireless connection. Even if they are not, the devices are cheap.

The location where Wi-Fi is being used also requires an on-site receiver and transmitter, which also is relatively cheap.

The signal can be picked up about 150 feet away indoors and about 300 feet outdoors.

The signals are transmitted at high frequencies, 2.4 or 5.8 GHz, as the higher the frequency, the quicker it dissipates over distance.

Wi-Fi is growing like wildfire. Even by today’s standards, it’s fast.

“This is Buck Rodgers stuff compared to what we were talking about even two years ago,” said Dale Pinson, a vice president and technology guru at Wharton County Junior College.

In Houston, for example, more than 70 Wi-Fi networks are in operation. They are at hotels, restaurants, coffee shops, and even Hobby and Intercontinental airports.

Wireless technology is expanding in Wharton, too.

In addition to the coffee shop, it’s now available at McDonald’s. The burger restaurant offers customers up to an hour’s free time on the system while at the store.

It’s also at the Holiday Inn Express in Wharton. It was in the original designs of the hotel.

“It is something you have to have nowadays,” said hotel co-owner Shelly Desai. “A lot of people are using them.”

The county government also uses wireless broadband. Instead of leasing high-speed phone lines to connect remotely with the computer server in Wharton, they installed radio towers.

Eleven buildings are connected thus far, from East Bernard, to Wharton, to El Campo to Louise, said Paul Shannon, the county’s facilities maintenance director.

A master plan calls for adding the county libraries to the system, Shannon said.

However, individual computers inside these buildings are still hard wired.

Wharton County Junior College plans to move toward Wi-Fi one step at a time, said Pinson, vice president of workforce development, continuing education and distance learning.

A replacement campus in Sugar Land, in partnership with the University of Houston, will be completely wireless, he said.

And at the main campus, wireless technology will start to become obvious.

Early next year, the college plans to have a mobile, wireless computer lab.

The transmitter and computers fit on a cart and is moved to where it is needed. The cart keeps 20 to 24 computers charged, so they don’t even need to be
plugged into the electric socket.

"All future purchases of computers will be wireless," Pinson said.

Eventually, he predicts the entire campus will be a wireless computer zone. Anyone can connect to the Internet anywhere, though they likely will need a password to connect to the college server.

East Bernard is perhaps the largest proving ground. The local telephone provider, Verizon, does not have phone lines capable of carrying high-speed Internet access, DSL. And the company has not announced any immediate plans to rewire the entire city. But residents had been clamoring for DSL.

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But it hasn’t been easy, and it has taken much longer than expected.

"It is the density of the trees," said Edward Vavricka of Twilight Communications of Wallis.

The providers install an antenna and hubs throughout their service areas. Customers, however, have to purchase receivers and transmitters at their homes or businesses, as well as pay for the installation. But they may end up paying less on their monthly service charges.

Vavricka said he expects to expand his antenna and hub system to reach the northern outskirts of Wharton early next year.

One potential fly in the ointment, however, is that the "protocol" for wireless broadband is not yet settled. Another system, called WiMax, is said to be more economical because it goes longer distances.

It is sort of like the wars years ago between Betamax and VHS for the dominant protocol for video cassette records. The only difference, Vavricka and others agree, is that a change-over will not be prohibitive in cost to wireless Internet providers.

Art Schulze, an engineer and chairman of the 20th Century Technology Museum in Wharton, had dreamed of bringing wireless broadband to the entire city of Wharton about seven years ago. The plan did not succeed, and the obstacles were not unique.

East Bernard was relatively easy because no one already was offering service comparable both to DSL’s speed and price. But that’s not true elsewhere. The city of Philadelphia is a good example.

Philadelphia Mayor John Street made the national news when he dreamed of providing free wireless Internet to the entire city. As it turned out, the obstacle was seen as the private sector, questioning whether it was proper for the city to become a "de facto Internet provider" competing with private providers.

The compromise appears to be with EarthLink, which agreed to underwrite the entire installation costs and manage the 135-square-mile system.

It won’t be free to the residents, however, according to press reports. But it would be cheap, just $10 to $20 per month.

"Technology is easy. Politics is the hard part," said Schulze.
With hood up and hair down, Wharton County Junior College student Brandie Nawara tries to stay warm while heading to her vehicle. Thursday's frigid temperatures and icy winds had most area folks shivering.
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**EXECUTED EFFECTIVE** as of the latter of the dates listed below.

**WHARTON COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE**

By:

Board President, WCJC

Date:

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14. Entire Agreement. Except as stated elsewhere in this agreement, this Lease contains the entire agreement between UHS and WCJC relating to the Leased Premises and supersedes all negotiations, understandings and agreements, written or oral, between the parties. This Lease shall not be amended or modified, and no waiver of any provision hereof shall be effective, unless set forth in a written instrument signed by authorized representatives of UHS and WCJC. UHS and WCJC acknowledge that this Agreement shall be amended prior to substantial completion of the Facility and prior to the Commencement Date of the leased premises in order to incorporate other needed terms, conditions and obligations of the parties.

EXECUTED EFFECTIVE as of the latter of the dates listed below.

WHARTON COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE

By: ____________________________________________________________________________

Board President, WCJC

Date: ____________________________________________________________________________

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM

By: ____________________________________________________________________________

Jay Gogue, Chancellor, UHS

Date: ____________________________________________________________________________
WHARTON COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT

AGENDA BRIEF

AGENDA ITEM X

MATTERS RELATING TO ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

A. Approve creating a new faculty position for instructor of history effective fall 2006– ($33,550 - $45,050 – current operating budget)

B. Approve the creation of a new faculty position for full-time instructor of Cisco/computer science ($33,550 - $45,050 – current operating budget)
Complete this form and submit it to the Office of the President by noon on Thursday of the week before the following Thursday’s meeting of the Board of Trustees. If this form does not provide enough space, you may use an expanded version as long as you follow the format specified below.

Date of Board Meeting: January 17, 2006

SUBJECT (item as it will appear on agenda):

New faculty position - History

RECOMMENDATION:

Continued growth in enrollment requires an addition to the History department of an additional faculty member

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

An additional faculty in the History department will allow for continued growth in enrollment.

Estimated Cost and Budgetary Support (how will this be paid for?): $33,550 - $45,050 (Position presently budgeted in a Temporary Full Time position.) - Current Operating Budget

RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]: Dr. Ty Pate

SIGNATURES:

Originator

[Signature]

Cabinet Level Supervisor

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PRESIDENT’S APPROVAL:

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1-12-06
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Date of Board Meeting: January 17, 2006  
Date of This Proposal: January 12, 2006

SUBJECT (item as it will appear on agenda):

New faculty position - Cisco/Computer Science

RECOMMENDATION:

Position is currently filled as Temporary Full Time, and a Full Time position is recommended.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

Relocation of the CISCO program into the Computer Science Department will enhance both programs and allow enrollment growth.

Estimated Cost and Budgetary Support (how will this be paid for?): $33,550 - $45,050 (Position presently budgeted in a Temporary Full Time position.) - Current Operating Budget

RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]: Dr. Ty Pate

SIGNATURES:

Originator  
Cabinet-Level Supervisor  

PRESIDENT'S APPROVAL:

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Date 1-12-06  
Date 1-12-06
WHARTON COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT

AGENDA BRIEF

AGENDA ITEM XI

MATTERS RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

A. Approve Order of Election for Board of Trustees Election – ($20,000 – current unrestricted operating budget)

B. Approve UniFirst as the College’s provider of uniforms and mop services – ($18,000 – current unrestricted operating budget)

C. Approve the establishment of the Mary Ann Rider Roades Memorial Scholarship

D. Information Item:

1. Discuss the possible sale of the WCJC truck terminal property in Bay City
Wharton County Junior College

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Date of Board Meeting: January 17, 2006
Date of this Proposal: January 5, 2006

SUBJECT:

Approve Order of Election for Board of Trustees Election.

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend approval of Order of Election for Board of Trustees Election.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

The governing board is required to officially approve an order of election for the May 13, 2006, election of trustees. Attached is the tentative calendar. We are awaiting approval of the final calendar from the Secretary of State.

Estimated Cost and Budgetary Support (how will this be paid for?):

$20,000 budgeted in the current unrestricted operating fund.

RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]:

Bryce D. Kocian, Vice President of Financial Services

SIGNATURES:

Bryce D. Kocian
Originator

01/09/06
Date

Cabinet-Level Supervisor

Date

PRESIDENT'S APPROVAL:

Date

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SAMPLE
ORDER OF ELECTION FOR OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 13, 2006 for the purpose of:
the General Election, to elect three members to the Board of Trustees and the
Special Election, to fill the unexpired term of a trustee who passed away.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at El Campo Fire & EMS Station, 303 E. Jackson
El Campo, Tx. 77437, and Wharton Civic Center, 1924 N. Fulton, Wharton, Tx. 77488.

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on May 1, 2006 (7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
May 2 and May 9, 2006.
and ending on May 9, 2006.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Barbara Hubel
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)

911 Beling Highway
(Address)

Wharton, Tx. 77488
(City)

Wharton, Tx. 77488
(Zip Code)

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on

(date)

Additional early voting will be held as follows:

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Issued this the ______ day of ______________________.

Member

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Signature of Presiding Officer

Member

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ORDEN DE ELECCION PARA OTRA SUBDIVISION POLITICA

Por la presente se ordena que se llevará a cabo una elección el 13 de Mayo 2006 con el propósito de: la Elección General, elegir a tres miembros a la Tabla de Fideicomisarios y la Elección Especial a llenar el término no caducado de un fideicomisario fallecido.

La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en El Campo Fire & EMS Station, 303 E. Jackson El Campo, Tx. 77437, and Wharton Civic Center, 1924 N. Fulton, Wharton, Tx. 77488, entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 1 de Mayo 2006 y terminando el 2 de Mayo y 9 de Mayo 2006.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:

Barbara Bubela
(Nombre del Secretario(a) de Votación Adelantada)

911 Boling Highway
(Dirección)

Wharton, Tx. 77488
(Ciudad) (Zona Postal)

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de las horas de negocio el 5 de Mayo 2006.

La votación adelantada además se llevará a cabo de tal manera:

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NOTE ON STATUTORY REFERENCES

Unless otherwise indicated, all references are to the Texas Election Code.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, February 11, 2006 (91st day before election day)

Cities and Schools only: First day to file an application for a place on the ballot. (Secs. 1.006 & 143.007, Election Code; 11.055, Education Code). Note: The 91st day before election day falls on a Saturday, but since the first day to apply is not a deadline, Section 1.006 does not apply, and the first day to apply does not move to the next business day. Your office is not required to be open on Saturday.

All Other Districts: There is no “first” day to file.

Monday, February 27, 2006 (75th day before election)

Recommended last day to submit changes affecting voting to U.S. Department of Justice for preclearance for any May 13, 2006 election.

Monday, March 13, 2006 (61st day before election day – deadline extended)

Last day for political subdivisions to order a general election to be held on Saturday, May 13, 2006, unless otherwise provided by law. (Sec. 3.005).

5:00 p.m. - Except as otherwise provided by this code, an application for a place on the ballot must be filed not later than 5 p.m. of the 62\textsuperscript{nd} day before election day. (Secs. 143.007(a) & 144.005(a), Election Code; and 11.055, Education Code, Chapter 286, Health & Safety Code).

Important Note for City offices with four-year terms: if no candidate files for a particular office by the deadline, the deadline is extended to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 17, 2006. (Sec. 143.008).

Recommended last day to appoint presiding and alternate judges.

Tuesday, March 14, 2006 (60th day before election day)

First day to accept applications for early voting ballots by mail for any May 13, 2006 election. (Sec. 84.007).

Monday, March 20, 2006 (deadline extended since regular deadline falls on weekend)

5:00 p.m. - Deadline for write-in candidates to file declarations of write-in candidacy for city, school district, library district, junior college district, hospital district, Chapter 36 and 49 Water Code districts, and other political subdivision elections, unless otherwise provided by law. (Secs. 146.054, Election Code; 11.056, Education Code; 326.0431 & 326.0432, Local Government Code; and 36.059 and 49.101, Water Code). (Secs. 130.0825, Education Code; and Section 285.131, Health and Safety Code).
Tuesday, March 21, 2006 (53rd day before election day)

Recommended first day that an election may be cancelled IF all filing deadlines have passed and each candidate whose name is to appear on the ballot is unopposed and there is no proposition to appear on the ballot. (Sec. 2.052).

Note: If you are having a special election to fill a vacancy, you must not cancel either the special or the general election until after the deadline for write-in candidates to file for the special vacancy election (Tuesday, April 18, 2006 assuming a filing deadline in the special election of April 17, 2006).

5:00 p.m. - Last day for a candidate to withdraw in an election for which the filing deadline is the 62nd day before election day (March 13, 2006). If a candidate withdraws or is declared ineligible by this date, his or her name is omitted from the ballot. (Secs. 145.092(b) and 145.094(a)(3)).

Friday, March 24, 2006 - Thursday, June 22, 2006 (50th day before election day - 40th day after election day)

Mandatory office hours. Secretary of governing body (or the person performing duties of a secretary) must keep office open for election duties for at least 3 hours each day, during regular office hours, on regular business days. (Sec. 31.122).

Wednesday, March 29, 2006 (45th day before election day)

Early voting clerk may begin mailing early voting ballots to applicants as soon as ballots are available, but we strongly recommend that ballots be mailed no later than the 45th day before the election, if possible. (Sec. 86.004). Reminder: the early voting clerk must mail a ballot not later than the 7th day after the later of the date the early voting clerk has accepted a voter’s application for a ballot by mail or the date the ballots become available for mailing. However, if the 7th day falls earlier than the 45th day before election day, the voter’s mail ballot must be mailed no later than the 38th day before election day. Please note this deadline is not extended under Section 1.006. (Sec. 86.004).

Monday, April 3, 2006 (40th day before election day)

Last day to notify election judges of their appointment if they were appointed, as recommended, on March 13, 2006. (Sec. 32.009(b)).

Friday, April 7, 2006 (36th day before election day)

Recommended deadline to order a special election to fill a vacancy (if authorized by law to order such an election) in order to have an April 12, 2006 candidate application deadline.

Wednesday, April 12, 2006 (31st day before election day)

5:00 p.m. - Last day to file for a place on the ballot in a special election to fill a vacancy, if the special election is ordered by the recommended deadline of the 36th day before election day. (Sec. 201.054(a)).
Thursday, April 13, 2006 (30th day before election day)

First day of period during which notice of election must be published if method of giving notice is not specified by a law outside the Election Code, and publication is the method of giving notice is selected. (Sec. 4.003(a)(1)).

Last day to register to vote for the Saturday, May 13, 2006 election. (Sec. 13.143).

Last day for a voter to make a change of address that will be effective for the election (Sec. 15.025).

Last day to order a special election to fill a vacancy (if authorized by law to order such an election). (Sec. 201.052). If an election is ordered between the 35th day before election day and this date, see Sections 146.051, 146.054, 146.055, and 201.054(a)(2); and Section 11.056, Education Code, for possible candidate filing deadline dates.

Monday, April 17, 2006 (26th day before election day)

5:00 p.m. - Last day to file declaration of write-in candidacy for special election to fill a vacancy, if the filing deadline for a candidate application is April 12, 2006 (unless otherwise provided by law). (Secs. 146.051, 146.054, and 201.055, Election Code; and Sec. 11.056, Education Code.

Tuesday, April 18, 2006 (25th day before election day)

Recommended first day that a special election to fill a vacancy may be cancelled IF all filing deadlines have passed and each candidate whose name is to appear on the ballot is unopposed and there is no proposition to appear on the ballot. (Sec. 2.052).

Note: This recommended date assumes a filing deadline in the special election of April 12, 2006, and a write-in deadline of April 17, 2006.

Monday, April 24, 2006 (19th day before election)

Last day to post notice of election on bulletin board used for posting notices of meetings of governing body. (Sec. 4.003(b)).

*Since the statutory deadline falls on Saturday, April 22, 2006, the deadline is moved to the next regular business day, Monday, April 24, 2006. (Sec. 1.006).

Monday, May 1, 2006 (12th day before election day)

First day to vote early in person. (Sec. 85.001).

Last day candidate may withdraw and have name removed from ballot if the regular filing deadline was after the 61st day before election day. (Sec. 145.092(a)).

Last day to post notice of election in each election precinct if method of giving notice is not specified by a law outside the Election Code and notice is given by this method in lieu of publication. (Sec. 4.003(a)(2)).

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Friday, April 28, 2006 (15th day before election day)

Last day to notify election judges of duty to hold election (Writ of Election).

Wednesday, May 3, 2006 (10th day before election day)

Last day of period during which notice of election must be published if method of giving notice is not specified by a law outside the Election Code and this method of giving notice is selected. (Sec. 4.003(a)(1)).

Last day to mail a copy of the notice of election to each registered voter in the county if method of giving notice is not specified by a law outside the Election Code and this method of giving notice is selected. (Sec. 4.003(a)(3)).

Friday, May 5, 2006 (8th day before election day)*

Last day to receive FPCA or an application for a ballot to be voted by mail. (Sec. 84.007).

*Since the 7th day before election day falls on Saturday, May 6, 2006, the deadline is moved to the first preceding regular business day. (Sec. 84.007(c)).

Tuesday, May 9, 2006 (4th day before election day)

Last day to vote early by personal appearance. (Sec. 85.001(a)).

Saturday, May 13, 2006 - Election Day

7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. - Polls open. (Sec. 41.031).
7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. - Voter registrar's office open. (Sec. 12.004(c)).
7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. - Early voting clerk's office is open for early voting activities. (Sec. 83.011).
7:00 p.m. - Deadline for receiving early voting ballots by mail.

Monday, May 15, 2006 (2nd day and 1st business day after election day)

Deadline for general custodian of election records to deliver provisional ballots to Voter Registrar. (T.A.C. §§ 81.172 - 81.174).

Tuesday, May 16, 2006 (3rd day after election day)

The first day to conduct official local canvass of returns by governing authority of the political subdivision as long as the ballot board has finished processing and counting late and provisional ballots.

Wednesday, May 17, 2006 (3rd business day after election day)

Deadline for Voter Registrar to complete the review of provisional ballots. (T.A.C. §§ 81.172 - 81.174).

Thursday, May 18, 2006 (5th day after election day)

Last day to receive carrier envelopes placed in the mail by 7:00 p.m. on election day, May 13, 2006, from voters who are voting outside the United States. (Sec. 86.007(d)(3)(B)).
Friday, May 19, 2006

Type A City Council members may take office any time following the canvass.

Monday, May 22, 2006 (9th day after election day)

Deadline for early voting ballot board to qualify any provisional ballots that have been reviewed by the voter registrar. The early voting ballot board may also qualify any late ballots that were submitted from outside the country and received by May 18, 2005 while the board reconvenes to process provisional ballots.

Wednesday, May 24, 2006 (11th day after election day)

Last day for official canvass of returns by governing authority of political subdivision. (Sec. 67.003).

Monday, June 12, 2006 (30 days after election day)

Last day to file electronic precinct by precinct returns with Secretary of State.

Thursday, June 22, 2006 (40th day after election day)

Last day of the period for mandatory office hours. See entry for Friday, March 24, 2006. (Sec. 31.122).

March 13, 2008 (22 months following election)

Contents of ballot box #3 may be destroyed if no open records request is pending or an election contest or an election investigation is continuing.
Wharton County Junior College

Proposed Agenda Item
Board of Trustees Meeting

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Date of Board Meeting: January 17, 2006         Date of This Proposal: January 6, 2006

SUBJECT:

Approve UniFirst as the College's provider of uniforms and mop services.

RECOMMENDATION:

Accept the low bid from UniFirst of Victoria to provide uniforms and mop services for the next 3 years to the College.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

Bid packets were sent to 6 companies. Bids were received from 2 uniform companies. UniFirst of Victoria bid $4.73 per week on uniforms and $0.70 on 24" treated mops. G & K Services of Houston bid $6.50 per week on uniforms and $1.75 on 24" treated mops.

Estimated Cost & Budgetary Support (how will this be paid for?): Not to Exceed $18,000.00 / year. Current Unrestricted Operating Budget for 2005 - 2006

RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]:

Mike Feyen, Director of Facilities Management
Philip Wuthrich, Director of Purchasing

SIGNATURES:

[Signature]
Originator

[Signature] 1-6-06
Date

[Signature] 1-11-06
Date

[Signature] 1/1/06 01/09/06
Date

PRESIDENT'S APPROVAL:

[Signature]

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Date of Board Meeting: January 17, 2006
Date of this Proposal: January 10, 2006

SUBJECT:

Establish the Mary Ann Rider Roades Memorial Scholarship.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve acceptance of 1,295 shares of Washington Mutual Stock having a market value of $54,985.70 on November 30, 2005.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

Mr. Edgar E. Roades donated 1,295 shares of Washington Mutual Stock having a market value of $54,985.70 on November 30, 2005 to be used to provide scholarship aid to eligible students. The recipient must meet the following qualifications: 1. Must be a U.S. Citizen residing in Wharton County and be graduates of Boling High School or El Campo High School in the top 50% of class; 2. Must be in need of financial assistance, but not one that can qualify for a Pell Grant; 3. Must enroll or be enrolled at the main campus in Wharton; 4. Must be enrolled as a full time student leading to an Associate degree or technical certification; 5. Must maintain at least a C average.

Estimated Cost and Budgetary Support (how will this be paid for?): -0-

RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]:

Bryce D. Kocian, Vice President of Financial Services

SIGNATURES:

Bryce D. Kocian, Vice President of Financial Services

1/09/06
Date

1/09/06
Date

PRESIDENT'S APPROVAL:

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ENDEWED SCHOLARSHIP SPECIFICATIONS

I. IDENTIFICATION

A. Name of Endowment Fund:

MARY ANN RIDER ROADES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

B. Amount of Contribution:

$54,985.70 Initial Endowment - 1,295 shares of Washington Mutual Stock
(as of November 30, 2005)

C. Date Established:

D. Date of First Award:

E. Grantor:

   Name: Edgar E. Roades
   Address: 2801 Brook Bend Lane
   City: El Campo, Texas 77437
   Telephone: 979-543-1030

II. GENERAL CONDITIONS:

The principal of this endowment will be invested according to Wharton County Junior College’s approved Investment Management Plan. 85% of earned interest will be utilized to provide scholarship aid to eligible students. The remaining 15% will be added to the endowment principal. Any accrued interest not utilized for scholarship purposes by August 31 of each fiscal year will be retained in the scholarship account to be awarded in future years.

III. RECIPIENT QUALIFICATIONS

1. Must be a U.S. Citizen residing in Wharton County and be graduates of Boling High School or El Campo High School in the top 50% of class.
2. Must be in need of financial assistance, but not one that can qualify for a Pell Grant.
3. Must enroll or be enrolled at the main campus in Wharton.
4. Must be enrolled as a full time student leading to an Associate degree or technical certification.
5. Must maintain at least a C average.

IV. SELECTION PROCESS

Recipient from Boling High will be selected by the WCJC selection committee together with a member of selection committee from Boling High.
Recipient from El Campo High will be selected by the WCJC selection committee together with a member of selection committee from El Campo High.

V. PROVISIONS FOR FUTURE CHANGES IN SCHOLARSHIP TERMS

The Donor or his heirs may change the terms of this agreement at any time.

VI. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Scholarship award is restricted to tuition, fees and books.

Advertising of the Scholarship shall be by the normal methods used by WCJC, Boiling ISD, and El Campo ISD.

There shall be at least two equal scholarships granted each school year, one to a Boiling student and one to an El Campo student.

Additional gifts to the Scholarship Fund shall be applied to the principal amount.

APPROVALS:

I hereby accept the conditions and terms of this scholarship endowment as specified above.

Edgar E. Roden
Grantor

Date

Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Date
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Date of Board Meeting: January 17, 2006

Date of this Proposal: January 9, 2006

SUBJECT:
Information Item.

RECOMMENDATION:
Discuss the possible sale of the WCJC truck terminal property in Bay City.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:
The property is located in the city of Bay City and consists of a building of 4,632 square feet and land of 9.875 acres.

Estimated Cost and Budgetary Support (how will this be paid for?): $0.00

RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]:
Betty A. McCrohan, President
Bryce D. Kocian, Vice President of Financial Services

SIGNATURES:

Originate: Bryce D. Kocian

Date: 01/09/06

Cabinet-Level Supervisor

Date

PRESIDENT’S APPROVAL:

Betty A. McCrohan

Date: 1-11-06

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MATTERS RELATING TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, CONTINUING EDUCATION AND DISTANCE LEARNING

A. Approve $18,113.87 for the annual maintenance contract on the college's distance education network from Southwestern Bell – ($18,113.87 - current operating budget for 2005-2006)

B. Approve proposed new position of Director of Youth Activities – ($40,068 - $46,735 – Kids College professional salaries – current operating budget)
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Date of Board Meeting: January 17, 2006  Date of This Proposal: January 6, 2006

SUBJECT:

Approve $18,113.87 for the annual maintenance contract on the College's Distance Education Network from Southwestern Bell.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve $18,113.87 for the annual maintenance contract on the College's Distance Education Network from Southwestern Bell.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

The Distance Education Department has Polycom, Starbak, Cisco, and Adtran equipment critical to delivering Distance Education Classes. This maintenance agreement covers these units in case of a failure for the next three years. Texas School Law allows for these purchases from vendors that have been certified by the State's General Services Commission as Certified Information System Vendors, (CISV). Purchases under this provision are covered in chapter 2157 of the Government Code. The low quote was from Southwestern Bell.

Estimated Cost & Budgetary Support (how will this be paid for?): $18,113.87.
Current Operating Budget for 2005 - 2006

RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]:

Dale Pinson, Dean of Workforce Development, Continuing Education, & Distance Learning
Philip Wuthrich, Director of Purchasing

SIGNATURES:

[Signature]
Originator

[Signature]
Cabinet-Level Supervisor

[Signature]
President's Approval

Date 1-11-06

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Wharton County Junior College

Proposed Agenda Item
Board of Trustees Meeting

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Date of Board Meeting: 01/17/06 Date of this Proposal: 01/05/06

SUBJECT: Proposed New Position of Director of Youth Activities

RECOMMENDATION: Continued growth in youth activity enrollment has reached the point where full time supervision of a dedicated Youth Activities Director is required.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE: A Youth Activities Director will allow the growth in topic areas and enrollment necessary for this area of Continuing Education.

Estimated Cost and Budgetary Support (how will this be paid for): $40,068 - $46,735
Paid from Kids College professional salaries – Current Operating Budget

RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]: Dale Pinson, Vice President of Workforce Development, Continuing Education and Distance Learning

SIGNATURES:

Originator

Date

Cabinet-Level Supervisor

1-5-06

Date

PRESIDENT’S APPROVAL:

Date

1-11-06

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**Wharton County Junior College**

**Recruitment Authorization Form**

**Position Title:** Youth Activity Director  
**Department:** Workforce Development

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If faculty, minimum requirements:  
- Master's  
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- 9 months  
- 10½ months  
- Other 12 mo.

**Replacement Position**

- replacement position

**New Position**

- new position

| Name of employee: | |
| Title of employee: | |
| Salary or hourly rate: | |

| Originator: | Date: |

The appropriate Vice President or President must complete the following advertising information or check:  
- N/A

**Announcement:**  
- Internal Applicant Only (Requires Presidential Approval)  
- Internal Posting Only  
- External (check below)

| □ Affirmative Action Register | □ El Campo Leader News | □ Houston Chronicle |
| □ Austin American Statesman | □ Fort Bend Star | □ Victoria Advocate |
| □ Chronicle of Higher Education | □ Health Week | □ Web Site |
| □ Daily Tribune (Bay City) | □ Herald Coaster (Rosenberg) | □ Wharton Journal-Spectator |

Other External Outlet(s):  

**Position/Budget Authorization**  

| Date: |

If a new position, assign new NBAPOSN:  

**Approval**  

| Approved by Appropriate Vice President or President | Date: |

| Approved by President | Date: |

| Reviewed by Human Resources | Date: |

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## JOB DESCRIPTION

**Wharton County Junior College**

**Human Resources Department**

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### PURPOSE AND SCOPE:

The Youth Activities Director is responsible for development, operation, and supervision of youth programs, projects, and training. These initiatives are conducted in response to community and student needs and reflect changes in the youth marked and community demographics. The position reports to the Vice President of Workforce Development, Continuing Education, and Distance Learning.

### ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

1. Designs, develops, and implements all youth activity programs.
2. Manages youth activity programs at all WCJC service-area locations.
3. Manages vocational and avocational youth activity programs.
4. Assists the Vice President of Workforce Development, Continuing Education, and Distance Learning with the assessment of youth programs to improve the quality of youth activity training.
5. Assists the Vice President of Workforce Development, Continuing Education, and Distance Learning in marketing efforts for youth activities.
6. Supervises the preparation, production, and publication of the youth activity schedule(s).
7. Manages the youth activity budget(s); reviews and approves all budget expenditures.
8. Recruits, coordinates, and recommends staffing for youth activity programs.
9. Plans, monitors, and evaluates all staff training programs and projects.

10. Assists the Vice President of Workforce Development, Continuing Education, and Distance Learning in secure grants and other private, state, and federal support for the economic expansion throughout the service area as it relates to youth activity programs.

11. Assists the Vice President of Workforce Development, Continuing Education, and Distance Learning in serving as the College's liaison to public ISDs and government agencies as it relates to youth activity programs.

12. Responsible for designing a disaster preparedness and recovery plan for youth activity programs and projects and be prepared to implement said plan with an appropriate amount of notice.

13. Prepares a plan to deal with youth activity emergencies.

14. Supervises and executes need surveys to determine the probability of success for youth activity projects.

15. Prepares annual objectives and an annual report for youth activity programs.

16. Executes other duties as assigned by the Vice President of Workforce Development, Continuing Education, and Distance Learning or the President.

**KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, EXPERIENCE**

B.A. or B.S. degree. Minimum of three years successful teaching experience in public schools or equivalent number of years experience in administration at a certified youth center. Criminal background check required.

**SUPERVISION OF OTHERS:**

The Youth Activities Director has supervisory responsibilities for all faculty and staff in the Youth Activity Program.

**SUPERVISION AND DIRECTION RECEIVED:**

The Youth Activities Director is responsible and accountable to the Vice President of Workforce Development, Continuing Education and Distance Learning for fulfilling the objectives, standards and duties listed in this document. Guidance for the performance of duties outlined in this job description comes from the policies and regulations of the college and any other applicable federal, state, and local statutes, ordinances, codes, rules, regulations, or directives.

Initials
Job Description – Youth Activities Director

EQUIPMENT USED:

PC workstation running in a Microsoft Windows environment, calculator, phone, and other general office equipment.

CONTACTS:

External contacts with the community and local and state agencies.

Internal contacts with administrators, faculty, staff, and students.

COMPLEXITY/EFFORT:

Ability to read and interpret regulations issued by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, State of Texas, and child care accreditation agencies is essential. The job related challenges and problems will be complex and the resolutions will have a direct impact on the College. Job involves attention to detail and accuracy and requires sufficient manual dexterity to prepare reports, graphics, and search data bases. Organizational skill that allow work on a number of projects simultaneously, prioritize effort, and supervision of the assigned staff. Work requires collaborative work effort with external and internal customers in a collegial atmosphere. Ability to handle emergency situations. A high degree of judgment, tact, diplomacy, poise, and discretion are required to maintain a professional working relationship with the general public, accreditation groups, and the College. A demonstrated commitment to the mission of a comprehensive community college is vital.

WORKING CONDITIONS:

Work is performed primarily in a climate-controlled office environment with computers. Exposure to natural atmospheric conditions such as dirt and dust, etc. is standard of an office environment. There is minimal exposure to safety hazards. Frequent inter-action with students and the general public is required. Some travel and occasional use of a personal vehicle is required. Capable of pushing/pulling 100 lbs.

LAST MODIFIED: October 26, 2005

Employee’s Signature                                            Date

Supervisor’s Signature                                          Date

_ Initials_
WHARTON COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT

AGENDA BRIEF

AGENDA ITEM XV

MATTERS RELATING TO PERSONNEL

A. Board of Trustees

B. Office of President/Senior Administration

A. Board of Trustees

B. Office of President/Senior Administration

C. Office of Academic Affairs

1. Approve part-time overload list for the winter mini term 2005

2. Approve employment of Timothy A. Cross as a regular, full-time instructor of radiologic technology, FAC-1-10, effective January 4, 2006

3. Approve employment of Johnson Cherukara as a temporary, full-time instructor of biology, FAC-1-5, effective January 9, 2006

D. Office of Administrative Services

E. Office of Student Services

F. Office of Workforce Development, Continuing Education and Distance Learning

G. Office of Technology and Institutional Research

D. Office of Administrative Services

E. Office of Student Services

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H. Information Items: Contract Personnel Actions

I. Information Items: Non-contract Personnel Action

1. Thomas C. Beavers employed as a regular, full-time information technology technician, P-13-0, effective January 4, 2006
2. Ruben Ramirez employed as a regular, full-time mail carrier/maintenance apprentice, T-1-0, effective January 4, 2006

3. Nathan C. Brown employed as a regular, part-time fitness center staff, $8.29/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 48 wks. = $7,560.00/yr., effective December 12, 2005

4. Aaron M. Kieler employed as a regular, part-time fitness staff, $8.29/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 48 wks. = $7,560.00/yr., effective December 12, 2005

5. Leo J. Lee employed as a regular, part-time custodian, $7.13/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 52 wks. = $7,044.00/yr., effective December 1, 2005

6. Traci Llanes employed as a temporary, part-time receptionist/secretary, $8.57/hr. x 24 hrs./wk. x 1 wk. = $205.68/yr., effective December 14, 2005

7. Traci Llanes employed as a regular, full-time receptionist/secretary, 0-6-0, effective January 4, 2006

8. Geneva O. Miller employed as a regular, part-time security officer, $9.44/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 52 wks. = $9,326.00/yr., effective December 1, 2005

9. Sandra Pena employed as a regular, part-time custodian, $7.13/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 52 wks. = $7,044.00/yr., effective December 12, 2005

10. David H. Clark resigned as a regular, part-time fitness center staff, $8.29/hr. x 19 hrs./wk. x 48 wks. = $7,560.00/yr., effective December 22, 2005

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# Wharton County Junior College Personnel Action Form

**Human Resources**

**Social Security No.**

**Last Name** Cross  
**First Name** Timothy  
**Middle Initial** A.  
**Telephone**

**Address**

**City**  
**State**  
**Zip**

### Part I: Check all that apply

- [ ] New Employee
- [ ] Extension
- [ ] Reclassification
- [ ] Transfer
- [ ] Promotion
- [ ] Salary Adjustment
- [ ] Other (explain)

- [ ] Retirement
- [ ] Resignation
- [ ] Separation (date: ___)
- [ ] Change in Assignment
- [ ] Additional Assignment
- [ ] Leave of Absence

### Part II: Assignment/Accounting

**CURRENT**  
**Division/Unit:**

**Job Title/Position:**

**Budgeted Position?**  
[ ] Yes  
[ ] No

**Budgeted Position?**

**Position No. (NBAPOSN):**

**Compensation:**

- [ ] Annual
- [ ] Hourly
- [ ] Other (explain)

- [ ] Sched
- [ ] Grade
- [ ] Step

- [ ] Hourly Rate: (Part-time only)

- [ ] $ ______ per hr x ______ hrs/wk x ______ wks = ______

- [ ] $ ______ per year

**Start Date:**

**End Date:**

- [ ] At-will-employee
- [ ] Per contract

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- [ ] 9 months
- [ ] 10 1/2 months
- [ ] 12 months
- [ ] Other

**PROPOSED**  
**Division/Unit:**

**Job Title/Position:**

**Budgeted Position?**

**Budget Number:**

**Compensation:**

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**Start Date:**

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- [ ] At-will-employee
- [ ] Per contract

**Explanation of Action:**

**New faculty to replace Anita Cook**

### Part III: Position/Budget Authorization

**Recommended by Supervisor (Department Head)**  
[ ] Date  
[ ] Approved by Vice President  
[ ] Date

**Approved by Division Chair**  
[ ] Date  
[ ] Reviewed by Human Resources  
[ ] Date

**Budget Approval**  
[ ] Date  
[ ] Approved by President  
[ ] Date

**Approved by Cabinet Level Supervisor**  
[ ] Date  
[ ] Date approved by Board  
[ ] [ ] not applicable

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### Personnel Action Form

#### Part I: Check all that apply

| Classification: | | |
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| ☒ Faculty | ☐ Extension |
| ☐ Support Staff | ☑ Reclassification |
| ☐ Temporary | ☐ Transfer |
| ☒ Full-Time | ☐ Promotion |
| ☐ Regular | ☐ Salary Adjustment |
| ☐ Part-Time | ☐ Other (explain) |
| ☐ Retirement | ☐ Separation (date: ) |
| ☐ Resignation | ☐ Change in Assignment |
| ☐ Additional Assignment | ☐ Leave of Absence |

#### Part II: Assignment/Accounting

**CURRENT** Division/Unit: [Job Vacancy No.: (if applicable)]

**Budgeted Position?** ☑ Yes ☐ No

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**End Date:** 5/19/06

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- ☐ 12 months  
- ☐ Other *Spring 2006 Sem.*

**PROPOSED** Division/Unit: [Job Vacancy No.: (if applicable)]

**Life Sciences**

**Biology Instructor**

**Budgeted Position?** ☑ Yes ☐ No

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**Start Date:** 1/9/06  
**End Date:** 5/19/06

**Explanation of Action:**

TFT position to cover full load of classes.

#### Part III: Position/Budget Authorization

**Recommended by Supervisor (Department Head):**

**Approved by Vice President:** 12/2/06

**Approved by Division Chair:**

**Reviewed by Human Resources:** 1-9-06

**Budget Approval:**

**Approved by President:**

**Approved by Cabinet Level Supervisor:** Date approved by Board or ☐ not applicable

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**Wharton County Junior College**

**Human Resources**

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**Part II: Assignment/Accounting**

**CURRENT**

**Division/Unit:** Physical Plant

**Job Title/Position:** Custodial/Part time/Wharton

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**Budgeted Number:** 1110.1194.6105.703

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**End Date:** 12-31-05

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**PROPOSED**

**Division/Unit:** Physical Plant

**Job Title/Position:** Mail Carrier/Maintenance Apprentice

**Budgeted Position?** □ Yes □ No

**Budgeted Number:** 1110.1193.6104.702

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**Explanation of Action:**

**Part III: Position/Budget Authorization**

**Recommended by Supervisor (Department Head)**

**Approved by Division Chair**

**Budget Approval**

**Approved by Cabinet Level Supervisor**
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**Wharton County Junior College**

**Social Security No.**

**Last Name** Brown  
**First Name** Nathan  
**Middle Initial** C.

**Address**

**Classification:**
- [ ] Administrative/Professional Staff
- [ ] Faculty
- [x] Support Staff
- [x] Temporary
  - [ ] Full-Time
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**Telephone**

**Part II: Assignment/Accounting**

**CURRENT** Division/Unit:

- [ ] Job Title/Position: ____________________________
- [ ] Specialized Area: ____________________________
- [ ] Budgeted Position? [ ] Yes  [ ] No
- [ ] Funded in which FY? ____________________________
- [ ] Budget Number: 1110-13025-6102-903
- [ ] Position No. (NBAPOSN): FITW99
- [ ] Compensation:
  - [ ] Annual
  - [x] Hourly
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    - Grade: 5
    - Step: 0
  - [ ] Other (explain)
- [ ] Hourly Rate (Part-time only): $8.29 per hr x 19 hrs/wk x 48 wks = $7,560 per year
- [ ] Start Date: 12/12/05
- [ ] End Date: ____________________________
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**PROPOSED** Division/Unit:

**Administrative Services**

- [ ] Job Title/Position: ____________________________
- [ ] Specialized Area: ____________________________
- [ ] Budgeted Position? [ ] Yes  [ ] No
- [ ] Funded in which FY? 2006
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- ☐ Other (explain)
- ☐ Retirement
- ☐ Resignation
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**PROPOSED Division/Unit:**

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**Explanation of Action:**

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Human Resources

Social Security No. Last Name: Lee
First Name: Leo
Middle Initial: J
Telephone:
A
ddress
City
State
Zip

Part I: Check all that apply

Classification:
☐ Administrative/Professional Staff
☐ Faculty
☒ Support Staff
☐ Temporary
☐ Full-Time
☐ Regular
☐ Part-Time

☒ New Employee
☐ Extension
☐ Reclassification
☐ Transfer
☐ Promotion
☐ Salary Adjustment
☐ Other (explain)

☐ Retirement
☐ Resignation
☐ Separation (date:_______)
☐ Change in Assignment
☐ Additional Assignment
☐ Leave of Absence

Part II: Assignment/Accounting

CURRENT Division/Unit: _______________________________
Job Title/Position: _______________________________
Budgeted Position? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Budget Number: _______________________________
Compensation: ☐ Annual Sched __________
☐ Hourly Grade __________
☐ Other (explain) Step __________

Hourly Rate: (Part-time only)
$________ per hr x _______ hrs/wk x _______ wks =
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Start Date: _______________________________ End Date: _______________________________

☐ At-will-employee
☐ Per contract
If temporary, anticipated termination date:

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PROPOSED Division/Unit: _______________________________
Job Title/Position: _______________________________
Custodian/Part time/Wharton
Budgeted Position? ☒ Yes ☐ No
Budget Number: 1110.1194.6105.703
Compensation: ☒ Annual Sched 0
☐ Hourly Grade 1
☐ Other (explain) Step 0

Hourly Rate: (Part-time only)
$7.13 per hr x 19 hrs/wk x 52 wks =
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Start Date: 12/01/05 End Date: ☒ At-will-employee
☐ Per contract
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Explanation of Action:

Part III: Position/Budget Authorization

Recommended by Supervisor (Department Head) Date: 11/21/05
Approved by Vice President Date:

Approved by Division Chair Date: Reviewed by Human Resources Date:

Budget Approval Date: 11/22/05 Approved by President Date:

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**Human Resources**

**Part I: Check all that apply**

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- [ ] Faculty
- [X] Support Staff
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- [ ] Salary Adjustment
- [ ] Other (explain):

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- [ ] Resignation
- [ ] Separation (date:__)
- [ ] Change in Assignment
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**Part II: Assignment/Accounting**

**CURRENT**

- Division/Unit:
- Job Title/Position:
- Specialized Area:
- Budgeted Position? [ ] Yes [ ] No
- Funded in which FY?
- Budget Number:
- Position No. (NBAPOSN):

**Compensation:**

- [ ] Annual
- [X] Hourly
- Sched:__
- Grade:__
- Step:__
- Hourly Rate: (Part-time only)
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**Start Date:**
- [ ] At-will-employee
- [ ] Per contract
- End Date:__

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**PROPOSED**

- Division/Unit:
- Job Title/Position: Receptionist/Secretary
- Specialized Area: Dental Hygiene
- Budgeted Position? [X] Yes [ ] No
- Funded in which FY? 2005-06
- Budget Number:
- Position No. (NBAPOSN):

**Compensation:**

- [ ] Annual
- [X] Hourly
- Sched: 0
- Grade: 6
- Step: 0
- Hourly Rate: (Part-time only)
  - $8.57 per hr x 24 hrs/wk x 1 wks = $205.68 per year

**Start Date:**
- [ ] At-will-employee
- [ ] Per contract
- End Date: 12-16-05
  - [ ] If temporary, anticipated termination date: 12-16-05

**Explanation of Action:**
- Training period for new secretary/receptionist

**Part III: Position/Budget Authorization**

- Recommended by Supervisor (Department Head):
  - Date: 11-29-05
- Approved by Division Chair:
  - Date: 12-7-05
- Budget Approval:
  - Date: 11/29/05
- Approved by Cabinet Level Supervisor:
  - Date: 12-7-05

**Date approved by Board:** [ ] not applicable

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**First Name**

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**Telephone**

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**Job Title/Position:**

**Budgeted Position?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

**Budget Number:**

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**Receptionist/Secretary**

**Budgeted Position?** ☒ Yes ☐ No

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**Explanation of Action:**

New secretary/receptionist to replace Naomi Garza

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**Human Resources**

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### Explanation of Action:

**Replacement for Arthur Zahn**

#### Part III: Position/Budget Authorization

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### Personnel Action Form

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- [ ] Retirement
- Resignation
- Separation (date: ___)
- Change in Assignment
- Additional Assignment
- Leave of Absence

#### Part II: Assignment/Accounting

**CURRENT** Division/Unit:  

- **Job Title/Position:**
- **Specialized Area:**
- **Budgeted Position?** Yes No
- **Budgeted Position?** Yes No
- **Budget Number:**
- **Position No. (NBAPOSN):**
- **Compensation:**
  - [ ] Annual
  - [ ] Hourly
  - [ ] Other (explain)
  - Sched: Grade Step
  - Hourly Rate: (Part-time only) $ _ per hr x ____ hrs/wk x _ wks = $ _ per year
  - Start Date: End Date:  
  - [ ] At-will-employee
  - [ ] Per contract
  - If temporary, anticipated termination date:

**PROPOSED** Division/Unit:  

- **Job Title/Position:**
- **Specialized Area:**
  - Custodial/Part time/Wharton
- **Budgeted Position?** Yes No
- **Budgeted Position?** Yes No
- **Budget Number:**
- **Position No. (NBAPOSN):** PTMW99
- **Compensation:**
  - [ ] Annual
  - [ ] Hourly
  - [ ] Other (explain)
  - Sched: Grade Step
  - Hourly Rate: (Part-time only) $ 7.13 per hr x 12 hrs/wk x 52 wks = $ 7044 per year
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#### Part III: Position/Budget Authorization

- **Recommended by Supervisor (Department Head):**
- **Approved by Division Chair:**
- **Budget Approval:**
- **Approved by Cabinet Level Supervisor:**

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### Wharton County Junior College Personnel Action Form

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#### Part II: Assignment/Accounting

**CURRENT Division/Unit:** Administrative Services

**Job Title/Position:**

**Budgeted Position:**

- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

**Budgeted Position:**

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

**Budget Number:**

1110-13025-6102-903

**Compensation:**

- [ ] Annual
- [x] Hourly
- [ ] Other (explain)

**Hourly Rate:**

$8.29 per hr x 19 hrs/wk x 48 wks = $7,560 per year

**Start Date:**

May, 04

**End Date:**

- [x] At-will-employee
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**Provisional:**

- [ ] 9 months
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**Budgeted Position:**

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**Approved by Vice President:**

**Reviewed by Human Resources:**

**Approved by President:**

**Approved by Cabinet Level Supervisor:**

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**Wharton County Junior College**

**Human Resources**

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### Part II: Assignment/Accounting

**CURRENT Division/Unit:**

Administrative Services

**Job Title/Position:**

Fitness Center Staff

**Budgeted Position?**

☑ Yes  ☐ No

**Budgeted Position:**

Specialized Area:

Fitness Center

**Budget Number:**

1110-13025-6102-903

**Position No. (NBAPOSN):**

FITW99

**Compensation:**

| $8.29 | Sched 0 | Grade 5 | Step 0 |

| Hourly Rate: (Part-time only) | $8.29/hr x 10 hrs/wk x 48 wks = |
| $7,560 per year |

**Start Date:**

March, 04

**End Date:**

☑ At-will-employee

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**If temporary, anticipated termination date:**

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### PROPOSED Division/Unit:

**Job Title/Position:**

**Budgeted Position?**

☑ Yes  ☐ No

**Budget Number:**

**Position No. (NBAPOSN):**

**Compensation:**

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**Start Date:**

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### Explanation of Action:

### Part III: Position/Budget Authorization

**Recommended by Supervisor (Department Head):**

Date: 12-2-05

**Approved by Vice President:**

Date: 12-8-05

**Approved by Division Chair:**

Date: 12-8-05

**Reviewed by Human Resources:**

Date: 12-8-05

**Budget Approval:**

Date: 12-8-05

**Approved by President:**

Date: 12-8-05

**Approved by Cabinet Level Supervisor:**

Date: 12-8-05

Date approved by Board or ☐ not applicable

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MATTERS RELATING TO FORMAL POLICY

Commission on the Board of Trustees

Complete this form and submit it to the Office of the President by noon on Friday, 11 days prior to the Tuesday evening meeting of the Board of Trustees. If this form does not provide enough space, you may use an expanded version as long as you follow the format specified below.

Date of Board Meeting: Jan. 17, 2006
Date of this Proposal: Jan. 5, 2006

SUBJECT: Second and final reading of new regulation on Optional Retirement Plan / Tax Deferred Annuity Providers (ORP/TDA Providers).

RECOMMENDATION: The President's Office and the Extended Cabinet recommend approval of the new regulation. Board action is required.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE: In accord with established policy, the President initiated a process to develop a new regulation on providers of Optional Retirement Plans and Tax Deferred Annuities at WCJC. This new regulation gives the College a set of procedures for adding additional ORP/TDA providers to the list of currently approved providers. This proposed regulation was reviewed by the President's Cabinet and approved, and then was submitted to the WCJC Governance Councils for review. The Extended Cabinet discussed and approved the proposal regulation on October 20, 2005.

ESTIMATED COST AND BUDGETARY SUPPORT (how will this be paid for):

Not applicable.

RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]:

Betty A. McCrohan, President

SIGNATURES:

Originator

Cabinet-Level Supervisor

PRESIDENT'S APPROVAL:

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6-21-95
ORP/TDA PROVIDERS

I. PURPOSE

Establishes procedures for adding an Optional Retirement Plan / Tax Deferred Annuity (ORP/TDA) provider to the list of providers at Wharton County Junior College (WCJC, or the College).

II. BACKGROUND and/or LEGAL REFERENCE AND BACKGROUND


III. POLICY

The College shall establish its own list of companies that are authorized to provide ORP/TDA products to the College’s employees.

(POLICY APPROVAL: ___-__-05, Board of Trustees)

IV. DEFINITIONS

ORP/TDA provider: A company that provides ORP/TDA products.

V. PROCEDURES

A. The President of WCJC, in person or through a designee, shall have responsibility for receiving, reviewing, evaluating, and approving/denying requests to add an ORP/TDA provider to the WCJC list of approved providers.

B. WCJC employees wishing to join an ORP/TDA provider not currently on the WCJC list of approved providers may sign a petition and submit it to the President of WCJC. A minimum of three (3) WCJC employees must sign the petition for it to be considered by the President. Petitions not having the required three (3) signatures of current employees will be returned.
C. If the employees’ petition is approved, the President will then direct the Office of Payroll and Benefits to contact the ORP/TDA provider and ask the company to apply for provider status with the College.

D. An ORP/TDA provider wishing to apply for provider status with WCJC must submit a letter, signed by the CEO or the CEO’s designee, stating that it will comply with the ORP statute (Chapter 830, Texas Government Code) and the Rules and Regulations of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (Chapter 25, Retirement Annuity Programs).

E. In its letter of application, the ORP/TDA provider must provide a statement that it is licensed to do business in the State of Texas.

F. In its letter of application, the ORP/TDA provider must also provide a written statement that the company will be primarily responsible for the defense of Wharton County Junior College against any lawsuit against WCJC resulting from the actions of the company or any representative of the company, or the design of the company’s products, provided that WCJC shall immediately notify the company upon its receipt of notice of any such suit and, to the extent allowed by law, provide the company with the necessary records to respond to such a suit. Such responsibility to defend WCJC includes any awards, court costs, attorney’s fees, damages, or expenses required as a result of the suit(s) against WCJC. Such suits may include, but are not limited to, tax issues, gender or age discrimination issues resulting from the design of the company’s products, misplacement of funds sent to the company by WCJC but not properly credited, misinformation or misrepresentation by the company or any representative of the company about the company’s products, or any other issue arising from the company’s products.

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