New Board Member Appointed
The Board of Trustees welcomed a new member, Thomas E. Milhous of Brigantine, a consultant for naval aviation systems. He was appointed by Atlantic County Executive Dennis Levinson. Prior to his civil service retirement Milhous served in a range of positions, culminating as Pilot Systems Director for the Naval Air Warfare Center in Warminster, Pa., where he oversaw a staff of more than 400 scientists, engineers and technicians. In addition to his career in the United States Navy, Milhous served as vice president of Information Network Systems, now part of Lockheed Martin, and as an adjunct professor of calculus and physics at Holy Family College and Bucks County Community College. He received his bachelor’s degree in mechanical engineering from Widener University, his master’s in mechanical engineering from the University of Maryland – College Park, and a National Security Management Certificate from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. He has been recognized for his contributions to aviation systems by elected leaders in Pennsylvania, the House of Representatives and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Milhous also serves as a member of the Atlantic County Economic Development Advisory Committee, vice president of Brigantine Lions Club, vice president of Brigantine Republican Club and vice chairman of the BrigStrong (Brigantine Hurricane Sandy Long Term Recovery) Group.

In Personnel Action, the Board:
--Approved the retirement of Michael Wozniak of Galloway, Director for Extension Center Accounting, effective March 1, 2014. Wozniak joined the college 11 years ago and has participated on the college’s Middle States Evaluation Committee and Datatel Implementation Team.
--Approved Ellen Splaver of Margate, Counselor II, Educational Opportunity Fund, whose position is jointly funded by an EOF grant and the college.
--Approved the promotion of Luis Montefusco of Galloway, from Director, Institutional Planning & Assessment, to Director, Institutional Research, Assessment & Planning, effective Sept. 25.

Made the following appointments:
--Renee Battle of Galloway, Office Coordinator, Enrollment Services, effective Sept. 25.
--Lynda Phommathep of Mays Landing, Office Assistant, Career Technical and STEM Education, effective Sept. 25.

In Grants Action, the Board:
--The board approved the submission of an application to the Atlantic County Government Grants Program by the college to implement an In-School Youth Program for $187,401, from October 2013-Sept. 30, 2014. The grant would support a program offering enhanced opportunities for at-risk students to complete their secondary education and advance to a post-secondary institution.
--Approved a grant application to the Atlantic County Government Grants Program for $118,329, with Atlantic Cape as lead applicant for an Out of School Youth Program, from October 2013-Sept. 20, 2014. The program will prepare participants for employment in various entry-level health care positions.
Contracts and Purchases Approved:
--Upgrade fire detection systems at the Worthington Atlantic City Campus, SimplexGrinnell, Horsham, Pa., not to exceed $115,740.
--Mays Landing Campus basin remediation project to Fred M. Schiavone Construction, Malaga, $77,437.
--Professional architectural services to oversee multiple projects to Spiezle Architectural Group, Trenton, $111,650. Projects include upgrading restrooms, replacing M-building roof and upgrading building envelopes.
--Professional engineering services, The DaVinci Group, Wodbury, $169,500. For multiple projects, including replacement of boilers and emergency generator at WACC, upgrade to primary electric distribution system, replace chilled water supply and return loops, upgrade sewerage distribution system, and remove and replace air handler equipment at Mays Landing Campus.
--Project management services, Atlantic County Improvement Authority, $170,074.
--PBX Technician, state contract, Tricomm Service Corporation, Moorestown, $60,000.

In the President’s Report
Dr. Mora introduced the college’s Achieving the Dream leadership and data coaches who provided insight on the national Achieving the Dream initiative and Atlantic Cape’s student success programs. The college is in its second year of the program, and the college is beginning to implement and track the strategies developed the first year.

Dr. Patricia Gentile, Dean, Advancement, Enrollment Management and Cape May County Campus, and Dr. Art Wexler, Vice President of Academic Affairs, provided an update on the Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training grant program, a $2 billion initiative to expand targeted training programs for unemployed workers. The college submitted a proposal with a consortium of seven schools, with Passaic County Community College as the lead college. Dr. Gentile said Atlantic Cape would focus on building workforce resilience, specifically health care programs, with the $1 million Atlantic Cape will receive.

In Other Action, the Board:
--Accepted the Aug. 31, 2013, financial statement.
--Approved the draft June 30, 2013, financial statement, as of Sept. 12, 2013.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 22, at the Worthington Atlantic City Campus, Room 204. All are welcome to attend.

--Stacey Clapp