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COLLEGE LEADERSHIP

Spring 2021 Weekend Seminar I
Zoom

AGENDA

Friday, February 26, 2021

6:00 p.m. – 6:10 p.m.
Eastern

Welcome

Drs. Jill Channing & Richard
Rhoda

6:10 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Presidents Panel

Dr. Michael Boyd, Kankakee
Community College President; Dr.
Bonny Copenhaver, New River
Community College WV
President; Ms. Charlene Newkirk,
Community College of Allegheny
County Southeast Regional
President; Dr. Anthony Wise,
Pellissippi State Community
College President



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February 27, 2021

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Eastern	Announcements and Career Gap Analysis Discussion	Students and Faculty
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	SCORE's Going Higher: Recommendations for Increasing Postsecondary Completion and Student Success in Tennessee	Students and Faculty



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Michael Boyd

Dr. Michael Boyd was named KCC's seventh president in 2019. Firmly committed to community service, Boyd is engaged with numerous efforts including the United Way, the Kankakee Area Regional Vocational Education System and the Kankakee Grundy Livingston Workforce Board. Boyd has served as a peer reviewer for the Higher Learning Commission, chairperson of the Manteno Chamber of Commerce, president of the Illinois Council of Chief Academic Officers, and president of the Illinois Council of Community College Administrators. He joined KCC's staff in 2014 as vice president for instructional and student success, the college's chief academic officer. Before KCC, he worked at Illinois Central College, most recently as associate dean of English, humanities, and language studies. He served as ICC's Six Sigma Black Belt. As a professor of English and Humanities, Boyd was awarded the ICC Thomas K. Thomas Endowed Teaching Chair in 2007. Boyd also has been a high school English teacher and football coach. He has three degrees from Illinois State University: a bachelor's degree in English education, a master's degree in English studies and a doctorate in English studies.

Bonny Copenhaver

Dr. Bonny Copenhaver serves as the fourth president of New River Community and Technical College and is the college's first female president. She previously served as an administrator at Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College in Superior, Wisconsin. Copenhaver has dedicated her career in higher education to working in community colleges. She has extensive experience in higher education having held positions in areas ranging from faculty to fund raising as well as academic roles including Dean, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, and Campus Administration. In 2010, she received the Woman of Achievement award from the Women in Higher Education in Tennessee. Copenhaver is a graduate of East Tennessee State University with her bachelor's and master's in English and doctorate in Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis. She also holds a graduate certificate in women's studies from Western Kentucky University.



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Charlene Newkirk

Charlene Newkirk has served at the Community College of Allegheny County (CCAC) in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania as a Campus President since March 2009 and in July 2019 assumed responsibility as the Southeast Region President, overseeing Boyce and South Campuses and Braddock Hills and Washington County Centers. She grew up in Pittsburgh, graduating from Westinghouse High School. She received her BA in English from Oberlin College, and then received a Juris Doctorate from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. She passed the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania bar examination after law school and actively practiced law for several years. Her experience of many years in progressively responsible roles as a college administrator and educator at large public research institutions as well as small public and private colleges, (including the University of Pittsburgh, Florida State University, Arizona State University, the College of Southern Maryland, Oberlin College, and St. Mary's College of Maryland), combined with her experiences as an executive at CCAC, has made her a well-respected and seasoned professional in higher-education administration. In the ten years that she has served at CCAC, she has spearheaded the planning process for the expansions of the Braddock Hills and Washington County Centers and renovations at South Campus. She oversaw the development of the "One College Reads" dialogue series leading to a partnership between CCAC and thirty other Pittsburgh area partner agencies and schools through a National Endowment for the Humanities grant and college operating funds (this year's reading is Toni Morrison's *The Bluest Eye*), and facilitated the creation of and oversaw the CCAC Leadership Development Institute, a nationally recognized emerging leader program at CCAC. In addition, she and her staff opened a food pantry at South Campus for students in cooperation with the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank, implemented a community garden on the campus, implemented a clothing closet for students who need clothing for job interviews, and partnered with various social service agencies in the region to meet student's basic needs, thereby ensuring student success. She has served as a member of more than ten Middle States reaccreditation teams, as a Baldrige-trained examiner team member for the Maryland Performance Excellence Awards Program and as a grant reviewer for the US Department of Education. She is a graduate of Leadership Pittsburgh's Class of XXVIII. Charlene is a member of the Jefferson Regional Hospital Board, a member of the Jefferson Collaborative for the Jefferson Regional Foundation, a member of the Monroeville Area Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Human Services Corporation Board, and serves as a member of the Structured Pathways Commission for the American Association of Community Colleges.

Anthony Wise

Wise has been president of Pellissippi State Community College since 2011, overseeing the College's participation in KnoxAchieves, tnAchieves and now Tennessee Promise. Wise's tenure has been marked by his devotion to students, and for good reason. From 2007 to 2011, he served as vice president of the College's Learning Division, after three years as the department head of Liberal Arts and nine teaching history. When he was a faculty member, Wise was instrumental in the development of the College's Foundations of Excellence initiative, which outlined strategies for student success. Today, he continues to encourage student engagement through high-impact practices like service-learning, study abroad and experiential learning. Wise earned a Ph.D. in history in 1997 from the University of Tennessee, a master's degree in United States history in 1993 from Wake Forest University and a bachelor's degree in history and business economics in 1990 from Wofford College. Wise serves on the boards of the National Alliance of Community and Technical Colleges, the Southern Regional Education Board, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, and the Tennessee Valley Corridor Community College Consortium. He was honored to participate in Tennessee Board of Regents Academic Leadership Institute (2006), the Global Academy for Leadership and Development (2008), Leadership Knoxville (2013), and East Tennessee Regional Leadership (2014). Locally, he's served on boards of the Great Schools Partnership, Project GRAD, Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee's Workforce Connections, Knoxville Chamber, Knoxville Opera and the Knoxville Symphony.