

**Florida SouthWestern State College District Board of Trustees  
Agenda Item Summary**

Meeting Date: 1/27/2015

**1. Action Requested/Purpose:** Florida SouthWestern Collegiate High Schools – Monthly Report

**2. Fiscal Impact:**    ☐ Yes    ☐ No    ☒ N/A

**3. Funding Source:**                      Amount: \$

**4. Administration Recommendation:** N/A

**5. Agenda Item Type:**

- ☐ Action Item  
☐ Consent Agenda  
☒ Information Only  
☐ Board Requested Information/Report

**8. Requirement/Purpose (Include Citation)**

- ☐ Statute  
☐ Administrative Code  
☐ Other

**9. Background Information:** This written report is for informational purposes only and requires no action by the Board. It provides an update on operations at the Collegiate high schools.

**Requested By:**

  
 Dr. Erin Harrel

**Funding Verified by:**

  
 Vice President, Administrative Services

**Approved For Agenda by:**

  
 President



## Board of Trustees

January 2015

### FSWC – Charlotte

#### *Performance Matters*

FSWC - Charlotte is proud to join our sister school FSWC – Lee in the top ten high schools in the state. Our total of 1461 ranks FSWC – Charlotte as number **eight** in the state for overall academic performance.

Forty three students who achieved straight A grades the first quarter were invited to attend the Orion Test Launch at Kennedy Space Center in December. Unfortunately, the launch was delayed a day. However, the group enjoyed two very long bus rides and a leisurely brunch at Cracker Barrel.

The five-member Envirothon team advanced to the state finals. Team members are sophomores Christine Bodine, Christopher Cabbage, Hallee Pesl, and Diandra Sawyer, and in-house junior, Eric Hines.

Freshman Casey Rayfield was selected as the winner of the Faux Poe award. Rayfield also won second place in the Martin Luther King Jr. Essay Contest sponsored by the Blanchard House Museum of Charlotte County.

Recruitment for the Class of 2019 will be underway during January and February with an application deadline of February 27.

#### *Student Activity News:*

National Honor Society members teamed with the Lifelong Learning Institute to teach senior citizens how to use new technology, such as iPhone, iPad, Kindle Fire. The fall pilot program will be repeated in the spring.

At Thanksgiving, the student LIFE (Living in Faith Everyday) group collected 454.9 pounds of food for the Homeless Coalition of Charlotte County.

In December LIFE collaborated with the college SGA to provide Christmas gifts for children through the Salvation Army.

Junior Montana Ruland has been accepted for the National Student Leadership Conference at American University.

#### *Important Dates:*

January 15	School Advisory Council 4:30 – 6:00
January 20	Recruitment Open House #1 6:00 – 8:00
February 4	Recruitment Open House #2 6:00 – 8:00
February 19	Recruitment Open House #3 6:00 – 8:00

## **FSWC - Lee**

### *Performance Matters:*

As high school grades are released around the state, FSWC – Lee finds itself with the **fifth** highest school grade point total in the state. Our total of 1483 far surpasses the required 1160 to earn an A and represents the tremendous academic work of administration, staff, and students alike.

Thirty two first time in college dual enrolled sophomore students began class for the Spring 2015 term. This is the highest number of sophomore dual enrollment since opening.

Staff has begun to prepare for next year's Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Accreditation review. Individual committees are meeting, preparing artifacts, narratives, and will attend a conference to ground the process. This work is completed in collaboration with representation from the Charlotte Campus.

After an initial open house experience hosted nearly 150 guests, staff will be conducting personal tours for students during this enrollment cycle for next year.

### *Student Activity News:*

Freshmen students are working on their pinewood derby style cars in preparation for race day. This year's race features a 2 story aluminum track with electronic timers, a loop for added drama and fun, and the ability to set up and take down in a day or less. Each of these cars will have gone through a battery of tests to include center of gravity, wind tunnel analysis, alignment specifications, friction analysis, and most importantly to the kids.....*style judging*.

Sophomore students are currently focused on a genetics unit where the genome of bacteria is altered to provide resistance to a common antibiotic. In the end, students are exposed to the reality of genetic manipulation and the actual micro biological processes used in higher education and biotechnology research.

Students attended the FGCU Math Competition and FSWC – Lee ended up in lucky 13<sup>th</sup> place out of nearly 50 teams attending. One student, Alexis Restrepo placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in her individual competition.

### *Important Dates:*

January 15 – End of quarter two

February 5 – Open House

February 12 – Parent Organization Meeting