Message from President Betsy Vogel-Boze

Being the newcomer myself, it seems a little funny to be welcoming you back, but nevertheless, welcome back to the start of a new semester and a new year. I hope that you had a wonderful break and that you are refreshed and energized. This is an exciting time for The College of The Bahamas and there is a lot happening.

Today is the first day of classes at the new Northern Bahamas Campus. I had the opportunity to visit the campus again this weekend and I want to publicly thank the students, faculty and staff for pulling together to get everything ready for today’s opening. Their dedication and commitment really showed and the sense of pride there is palpable!

Although our beautiful new Harry C. Moore Library will not open for a few more weeks, when it opens, it will change The College in exciting and positive ways. The pride and excitement that Mrs. Moore and the Lyford Cay Foundation expressed about the embodiment of Harry Moore’s dream was heartwarming.

A lot of people have inquired about my first impressions. I feel privileged to have been selected to lead this fine institution and it is wonderful to get to live and work where others vacation! Everyone has been so kind, welcoming and helpful. My learning curve may be vertical at this point, but fortunately I am a quick learner. Each day I learn more about the good and important work that we are doing at The College of The Bahamas. Over the next few weeks I look forward to visiting with each of you, and am seeking opportunities to meet informally, to listen and learn about your hopes, visions and expectations for The College. Best wishes for a healthy and happy new year!

Northern Bahamas Campus News - New Campus

In an anticipated transition, students began the Spring 2011 semester today at the new Northern Bahamas Campus in East Grand Bahama off the Grand Bahama highway, with advisement and registration beginning for new students and extending until Wednesday. Registration for returning students will commence on Tuesday. While CHMI and CEES programmes remain at the existing campus in Freeport, all other degree programmes have been moved to the new campus where full services including Records, Business Office, Campus Life, Security and the campus library are being provided. Provisions for food services are also in place. Persons in Grand Bahama may contact: 352-9761 for further information.
Library Services at Main Campus

College library services on New Providence campuses are continuing at the current sites. This includes the main Oakes Field Campus Library, the Law and CHMI libraries. A move to the Harry C. Moore Library & Information Centre is not expected until later in the Spring Semester. While general, reference, West Indian and Teaching Practice collections, and loose and bound journal issues from the periodicals collection have been relocated to the HCM library, these may be accessed by request. Requests may be sent to referencedesk@cob.edu.bs or library@cob.edu.bs. Students and faculty are encouraged to use electronic resources as much as possible. For more information contact: 302-4491/302-4517.

New Semester Begins

Classes began today for the Spring 2011 semester for which approximately 400 new students have enrolled.

During Orientation, many of them were acquainted with key college administrators and operations and told of expectations as members of the more than 4,000-member student body.

Welcome New Employees

The College welcomes its family Dr. Betsy Vogel-Boze, College President; Mr. Elvardo Thompson, Development Officer, Alumni Relations and Development and Mrs. Natasha Jones-Swann, lecturer, School of Education.

Athletics Scoreboard

Women’s Basketball
The Lady Caribs lost to the Lady Angels 65-52 on Sat. Shooting guard Shadelle Williams led the scoring charge with 15 pts. and Forward Natishka Selver scored 13 pts.

The Lady Caribs lost to the Lady Cheetahs on Thurs. 73-62. Gabrielle McKinney and Shadelle Williams scored 20 and 18 pts. respectively. Giovanna Gordon and Alisha Bethel led the charge on the boards with 13 and 10 respectively.

Lady Caribs scheduled to play the Lady Cybots on Thurs. at 7:30pm and the Lady Truckers on Saturday at 7:30pm. Both games will be played at the D W Davis Gymn.

Women’s Volleyball
For the second consecutive season the Lady Caribs volleyball has reached the playoffs as the fourth seed. In the best of three playoff series that kicked off on Sunday afternoon, the Lady Caribs lost in straight sets to the Lady Vixens 25-8; 25-16 and 25-13. Game two of the playoffs is scheduled for this Wednesday at 7pm at the DW Davis Gym.

Office of Communication Services

Academic units and departments are reminded to promptly forward their requests for Communication support so that we might better service your needs. As the new semester begins, please contact your Office of Communication liaison as a matter of priority to receive optimal service. Tel: 302-4353, 302-4354, 302-4355.

Majority Rule Anniversary

Today marks the 44th anniversary of majority rule which happened on January 10th 1967 and marked a defining era in the governance and direction of The Bahamas after the Progressive Liberal Party formed the first black Government of The Bahamas.