**Post Region V Conference Report**

**March, 2015**

**Submitted by: Tracy Glidden, Career & Professional Employees Commission Chair**

Attended AFC Region V Conference representing Eastern Florida State College (EFSC) Chapter as Commission Chair for Career & Professional Employees Commission (CPEC)

* “AFC is the most ***inclusive*** educational organization in the state.” – Dr. Jean Wihbey, Provost, Palm Beach State College
* **Valuable Support to the College/Chapter/Commission Missions**
  + Eastern Florida State College was represented through Career & Professional Employee Commission Chair at Region V Conference
  + Legislative News
  + Travel expenses were paid with AFC Professional Development Scholarship monies
  + Collaboration with State-wide Region/Commission/Chapter leaders
  + Gained 3 potential sponsors for Region III/CPEC Spring Conference June 11, 2015
  + Dream It Do It student organization for Non-Traditional Students (see attached)
* Legislative News
  + Legislative Days at Tallahassee just a few weeks away– open for AFC Members $45 registration
  + Senate Bill 1252 – proposes forced name changes for the “state” colleges in our FCS
    - Argument is made that the 28 FCS colleges could be pulling students from the universities
    - Our students are not the average student types who are accepted at university
    - Bill is not likely to pass now, but will probably return in future terms
  + Concealed weapons on Campus (House Bill 4005 and Senate Bill 176) – still needs to go through committees before it is voted upon
  + Budget information (see attached PowerPoint)
  + Performance Funding (see attached PowerPoint for all criteria)
    - FTIC and Pell Recipient completion rates will be considered
    - Time to Degree
    - Job Placement Rate
* Roundtable Discussion – Finding Our Voice as Leaders
  + Participants – Dr. Dan Rodkin, AFC President; Ms. LaFran Rennin, VP of Regions and Chapters; Dr. Robert Flores, VP of Commissions; Mr. Raymond Coulter, PBSC Chapter President; **Tracy Glidden, Career & Professional Employee Commission Chair;** Dr Tunjarnika Ferrell-Coleman, Administration Commission Chair
  + Discussion included AFC’s role in personal and professional development, how AFC can have a louder voice and more active presence, and discussion of legislative issues
* **CPEC-sponsored FRS presentations 30-40+ combined attendees**
  + Cash & Debt Management
  + Education Planning
* Chapter Reports – each chapter president in attendance gave a report on recent activities and chapter membership
* Collaboration Meeting with Facilities and Administration Commissions to present at Joint Commissions Conference May 13-15
* Upcoming Events
  + Legislative Days, April 8-9 in Tallahassee
  + CPEC 101 Presentations:
    - Region IV Conference, April 17 at Florida Southwestern
    - Region I Conference, April 24 at Chipola State
    - Region II Conference, April 24 at St Johns River State
  + Joint Commissions, May 14-15 at HCC
  + Student Development, May 19-21 at CF
  + Region III/CPEC Conference, June 11 at CF
  + Membership Conference, July 9-10 at Jupiter
  + Annual Conference, November 11-13 at Lake Buena Vista