

**ROWAN COLLEGE AT BURLINGTON COUNTY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2018  
5:30 PM**

**Student Success Center  
Room 138  
Mount Laurel Campus  
900 College Circle  
Mount Laurel, NJ 08054**

**President's Report**

*News and happenings from August 16 through September 18*

**August 20**

**EOF students attend THRIVE, the Pre-College Leadership Institute at RCBC**

- RCBC's new Educational Opportunity Fund students attended THRIVE, the Pre-College Leadership Institute at RCBC. THRIVE includes an orientation, career assessment, engagement with classmates, an introduction to campus leaders, academic planning, and more.
- Students heard from President Dr. Michael Cioce, Senior Vice President and Provost Dr. David Spang, Vice President of Enrollment Management and Student Success Dr. Karen Archambault, Dean of Student Success Dr. Cathy Briggs, and EOF Director Dr. Edith Corbin.
- The EOF Program aims to empower students to achieve their educational goals at RCBC through support in academics, personal growth and leadership skills.

**August 29**

**First Day of Fall 2018**

- RCBC's day and evening classes for the fall term started on Wed., Aug. 29.
- On the first day of classes, President Dr. Michael Cioce welcomed students in their classes and launched the college's first official presidential Twitter account @RCBCPresident.

**September 5**

**A.C. Fashion Week Panel**

- RCBC's Fashion Design and Merchandising program hosted a discussion panel in partnership with Atlantic City Fashion Week's The Business of Fashion lecture series in which leaders discuss the industry with students.
- The founder of Atlantic City Fashion Week said they had been very impressed with the quality of work produced by RCBC's fashion students, which is the reason they wanted to bring the panel discussion to the college.
- Students networked with the experts on the panel and learned about fashion design, merchandising, photography, careers in the industry and much more. Fashion and graphic design faculty also participated.

## **September 9**

### **RCBC Arts Alive at Historic Smithville's Arts in the Park**

- Despite the rainy weather, RCBC's Arts Alive participated in the Arts in the Park event. The event allowed RCBC to showcase the talents of students and faculty.
- RCBC students Claudia Cruz and Robert Pallante read their poems on behalf of the Creative Arts Guild club at RCBC. Eleven representatives from the college attended the event, including RCBC Liberal Arts Dean Donna Vandergrift, faculty from the English department, Student Art Gallery, Graphic Design, Jewelry Making, Culinary Arts and Music.

## **September 11**

### **9/11 Memorial Service**

- RCBC hosted its annual 9/11 memorial service in the Votta Hall Auditorium.
- The event featured a video tribute and readings from RCBC Board Chair George Nyikita, President Dr. Michael A. Cioce, staff, and guests in memory of the events and those lost on 9/11.

## **September 14**

### **The Installment of Michael A. Cioce, Ed.D.**

- The college community gathered for the official Installation of Dr. Michael A. Cioce as the sixth president of Rowan College at Burlington County.
- The ceremony in Votta Hall featured a Pledge of Allegiance lead by Dr. Cioce's family, remarks from the RCBC Board Chair George Nyikita and Foundation Chair Henry Gosik, Burlington County Freeholder Director Kate Gibbs, Vice President of Student Success and Enrollment Management Dr. Karen Archambault, Financial Aid Director Jovina Bermudez, Student Government Association President Carley Smith, Faculty Senate President Dr. Erica Osmond and Dean of Student Success Dr. Cathy Briggs. The college Solicitor William Burns conferred the ceremonial medallion and mace. The ceremony closed with a performance by the RCBC A Cappella Ensemble.
- After the ceremony, the guests gathered for a reception in Votta. The RCBC Culinary Arts program made and served a ballpark-themed menu of passed hors d'oeuvres and dessert.

## **September 18**

### **United States Citizenship and Immigration Services Naturalization Ceremony**

- RCBC, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, League of Women Voters of Burlington County and Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders hosted a naturalization ceremony on Tuesday, Sept. 18 at 12:30 pm in the Votta Hall Auditorium
- One hundred candidates from 44 different countries swore their allegiance to the United States and became American citizens.
- This event is part of the RCBC's "Constitution Month" celebration that is being held throughout the month of September

## **Upcoming Events:**

## **September 20**

### **Industry Career Fair: Finance, Insurance, Technology & Government**

The Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders, RCBC's Workforce Development Institute, and the Burlington Regional Chamber of Commerce present an industry-focused career fair on Thursday, Sept. 20 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Student Success Center. Some of the participating businesses at the Career Fair on Thursday, Sept. 20 include Assured Partners, Cenlar FSB, PCS, Republic Bank, Marine Corps and the U.S. Army. Jobseekers must be at least 18 years old and come professionally dressed. For more information and a list of employers attending the event, visit [rcbc.edu/careerfair](http://rcbc.edu/careerfair).

### **September 27**

#### **Celebrate the Constitution**

Please join Political Science Professor Ken Mariano in welcoming Lakehurst Police Chief Eric Higgins for a discussion commemorating the 50th anniversary of the court case Terry v. Ohio. Date: This event will be held on Thursday, Sept. 27 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the Votta Hall. The lively discussion will include the background, impact and practicality of the 1968 landmark decision. This event is part of the RCBC's "Constitution Month" celebration that is being held throughout the month of September.

### **September 29**

#### **Open House**

RCBC invites prospective students and their families to the fall 2018 Open House on Saturday, Sept. 29 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Attendees can meet RCBC faculty and discuss majors, learn more about our 3+1 program with Rowan University, speak with Financial Aid, learn about Student Services, find out how to get involved on campus with Student Life and Athletics, and take a tour of our beautiful Mount Laurel Campus with Student Ambassadors.

### **October 5**

#### **Burlington County Silent Witness Project**

This is an annual event in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month sponsored by the Burlington County Silent Witness Project. The ceremony at the Mount Holly Campus commemorates county residents who have been murdered through acts of domestic violence. It will be held from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

### **October 13**

#### **Burlington County Paper Shredding Event at RCBC**

The Paper Shredding Event is free and sponsored by the Burlington County Freeholders for county residents only on Saturday, Oct. 13 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Mount Laurel Campus. Staff will help unload your car. Bring only confidential documents, such as bank and credit card statements, tax returns, and papers with account numbers. Up to four bags or boxes of un-shredded confidential documents weighing no more than 10 pounds each per car will be accepted. Do not bring junk mail, magazines, circulars, catalogs, binders, plastic folders, computer disks or credit cards. Pre-shredded paper can also be recycled at this event. ID is required. No businesses. This event may end prior to 1 pm if shredding trucks reach capacity.