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FSU Selected by FCCMA Board for "Florida Center for Excellence in Local Public Management"

By: Lynn Tipton, Executive Director

On October 12th, following interviews with both finalist schools (FSU and UCF), the FCCMA board of directors selected Florida State University as the school to administer the "Florida Center for Excellence in Local Public Management." The Board will now enter into a letter of agreement with FSU, through the Askew School of Public Administration and Policy. The Askew School and FCCMA will also create an implementation timeline.

Commenting on the process, President Feldman commended the Site Visit Team and Task Force, chaired by past president William Whitson, and added: "We are very excited about this program and look forward to working with FSU on an agreement. Both UCF and FSU made excellent proposals and presentations - it was not an easy decision. This program will greatly benefit the next generation of Florida's local public managers and will provide an exciting forum for our members in which to gather and solve problems."

Emerging Professionals Symposium – Public Management: The Tapestry of the Profession

On Friday, October 13, 2006 the Florida City and County Management Foundation (FCCMF) presented the Emerging Professionals Symposium. The fall symposium is designed for the up and coming leaders of the profession – students, professionals beginning their careers, and department directors. Seasoned professionals also attend to add to their credentialing hours. This year's symposium had the highest attendance yet! It is the goal of FCCMF to increase attendance every year and continue to reach out and educate government employees on the opportunities available to them. The speakers were excellent, and

a big thank you goes out to Michael Clarke, Bob Harris, Barbara Clegg, Patricia Bean, Bob Lee, Al Minner and Katrina Powell. If you missed this year, we hope to see you next year!

2007 Winter Institute, St. Augustine—February 8-9

Registration materials are being printed the week of October 16, and they will be posted on the web and mailed to managers and assistants. The Winter Institute is limited to 80 participants so be sure to sign up early. It is also limited to managers and deputy/assistant managers.

The Winter Institute will focus on “systems and critical thinking”, led by Dr. Ray Jorgensen of the Jorgenson Learning Center. Dr. Jorgenson’s work on systems thinking has been discussed in the book, *The Fifth Discipline*, by Peter Senge. This year’s program will begin Wednesday evening, February 7, with a reception. Class begins early Thursday morning with an overview and keynote address by Dr. Jorgensen. Several JLC associates will assist, and there will be a good deal of interaction. Cost to attend is \$325 for the one and a half-day session, which includes continental breakfasts and lunch on Thursday.

2007 Annual Conference – *The Challenge of Change: Creating and Sustaining Leadership Capacity*—Bill Strickland Signed as Opening Keynote Speaker

FCCMA has signed a contract for the keynote address on Thursday, May 17. Bill Strickland, President of Manchester Craftsmen’s Guild and the Bidwell Training Center will speak about his remarkable journey turning a near bankrupt community training center in Pittsburgh into one of the most successful organizations in America. He will “restore one’s faith in ethical, accountable and visionary leadership.” Mr. Strickland has received a MacArthur Genius grant, lectured at the Harvard Graduate School of Education and served on the Board of the National Endowment for the Arts. He has been recommended as “a most inspiring human being and mesmerizing speaker...”

This year’s conference will be at the Doral Golf Resort and Spa from May 16-19, 2007. Once again, the popular “So You Want To Be A City/County Manager” pre-conference session will be offered on Wednesday the 16th. This is a free session, so if you have any entry-level employees or department heads or know of any students who may be considering a position as a manager or assistant manager, please encourage them to attend. A legislative update will be planned, as the legislative session will have just concluded. There will be a stand-alone session to showcase the Center for Excellence for Local Public Management. Friday night’s social event will have a “Goombay” festival theme and should be lots of fun. Registration information will be available in early February and posted on the web site.

2007 Awards Program

The FCCMA Board of Directors approved an annual awards program developed by the Awards Committee. FCCMA’s program will be similar to ICMA’s, and it will also include information on the scholarships offered through the Foundation. A brochure is being developed and will be sent out in January. **Please let us know the year you joined FCCMA (look on your certificate, if you’re not sure) and e-mail Carol Russell with the year. Her e-mail address is crussell@frcities.com.** One of the awards to be given is for years of service; this is not data that has been kept by FCCMA in the past. Your help with this is greatly appreciated.

MIT News and Update

Listed here are the current members-in-transition. **Susan Boyer**, former manager of Crystal River, sboyerhwood@aol.com; **Frank Spence**, former manager of Mangonia Park, frspence@att.net; **Stella Heath**, former assistant manager of Frostproof, 863.639.2178; **Maria Davis**, former manager of South Miami, Mdavis2282@aol.com; **Steve Cottrell**, former manager in the Town of Belleair, scottrell@knology.net; **Mitchell Bobowski**, mbobowski@yahoo.com; **Bob Nanni**, rnanni@cfl.rr.com; **Yocelyn Galiano Gomez**, former manager of El Doral, yg7133@yahoo.com; **Tom Moffses, Sr.**, former manager of Madison, moffsesr@gmail.com and **Jim Gallagher**, former manager of Dundee, jgallagher27@tampabay.rr.com. Please take a minute to show your support of these MITs by making a phone call or sending an e-mail.

New Members

The following membership applications have been received. If no current member comes forth with a reason why these applicants should not be approved as members, they will be invoiced for dues. **Andrew Dunkiel**, student, Florida Atlantic University; **Virginia Harrell**, director, The John Scott Dailey Florida Institute of Government, University of South Florida; **Mark Hull**, manager, Village of Golf; **Joseph Jarret**, county attorney, Polk County; **Robert Kellogg**, manager, Sewall's Point; **Yvonne Kimball**, management intern, Palm Bay; **Daniel P. Schult**, assistant manager, North Port; **Joseph Patrick Murphy**, administrative support services supervisor, Belleair; **Otis Hollar**, manager, public works, Hillsborough County; **Lee Ann Lowery**, assistant city manager, Gainesville; Angela Potenziano, senior digital communications dispatcher, Hillsborough County; and **William F. Underwood, II**, director of budget & finance, Davie.

Positions

City Manager – City of Chiefland -- (pop. 2,140) Located in North Central Florida, only a few miles from the historical Suwannee River, the City of Chiefland is the retail and service hub for a three county area. Designated the "Quality Rural Community of the Year 2000", Chiefland is a progressive community with a vision of growth for the near future. City services include Police, Fire, parks and recreation, animal control, water and sewer utilities. Chiefland has a five member City Commission, including a Mayor/Commissioner and Vice Mayor/Commissioner. The City Manager, along with the Police Chief and Fire Chief, report directly to the Commissioners, who are elected to two-year terms on a city-wide basis. The City Manager is the chief administrative officer of all City departments and responsible for an annual budget of \$3.6 million. Preferred Qualifications: Graduation from an accredited four (4) year college or university with a Bachelor's degree in public administration, business administration or a related subject, and/or five (5) years experience in progressively responsible management positions in local government, preferably with municipalities, preferably in Florida, or any equivalent combination of education and experience. Job description available upon request. Salary range is \$46,439 - \$70,243. Submit resume to the City of Chiefland Attn: City Manager Position 214 East Park Avenue Chiefland, FL 32626 or email to Mary Ellzey, Deputy City Clerk, at mary@chieflandfla.com.

MANAGEMENT INTERN - County Administration/Management Internship Program

Beginning Date of Internship: October, 2006

Ending Date of Internship: September, 2007

Salary Range: \$24,000.00 or \$29,000.00 Annually

This is a full-time “Graduate Level” work, assisting the County Administrator and key staff with program and policy development to include the development and implementation of the County’s annual budget, legislative and public information programs, health and human services activities and other assigned special research and analysis projects while gaining significant professional experience and an increased knowledge of the operations and management of Leon County government.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS: Assists the County Administrator, Deputy County Administrator and other staff with the implementation of County programs, special projects and any other assigned research and analysis activities for a structured three month period of time; independently conducts research and analysis activities on assignments as directed by County Administrator, Deputy County Administrator or lead staff; assist the Director of Health and Human Services, and other staff with the development and implementation of the County’s Health and Human Services Programs for a structured three month period of time; assist the Deputy County Administrator and other staff with the development and implementation of the County’s Adopted State Legislative Program and other public information and policy development initiatives for a structured three month period of time; assist the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and other staff with the development of the County’s proposed annual budget and the other management and budget research and analysis special projects; prepares and presents oral and written reports on special assignments to supervisors; collects relevant data and other research materials; performs other assigned County Administration and Management and Budget related projects, as required.

REQUIREMENTS: Must possess a Bachelor’s degree in Political Science, Business, or a related field and be currently enrolled as a graduate student in Public Administration, Law School, or a related field or a recent graduate.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: October 27, 2006

Reasonable accommodations and assistance are available to disabled applicants under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, contact the Leon County Human Resources Division at (850) 606-2400. Applicants are encouraged to visit our Leon County Home Page at <http://www.leoncountyfl.gov>. Applicants may send inquiries to our E-mail **address:** boatwrightl@leoncountyfl.gov. A **completed** Leon County Board of County Commissioners application is required and must be **postmarked** no later than **October 27, 2006**. **APPLY** online, in person or by mail to:

**Leon County Human Resources Division
Leon County Courthouse, Suite 108
Tallahassee, FL 32301**

Preference is given to certain veterans and spouses of veterans as provided by Chapter 295, Laws of Florida.

Dates to Remember

- February 8-9, 2007 – Winter Institute, St. Augustine
- May 16-19, 2007 – FCCMA Annual Conference, Miami