

#### <u>MEMORANDUM</u>

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TO:

MNF Board of Trustees

FROM:

Lisa McGettigan, Director

SUBJECT:

Michigan Campus Compact Update

In recent meetings of the community service coordinators and the student community action network, representatives reported on a number of exciting activities that are underway at MCC institutions. To give you a flavor for these exciting service related activities, I have attached the campus reports from the minutes of both meetings.

Also, in an effort to provide the services most important to campus compact institutions the following survey was sent to campus representatives in early October. The results of this survey are being compiled currently.

I have made arrangements to visit all of the compact campuses before the end of the calendar year. I will visit with each institution's president, community service coordinator, key faculty members engaged in service learning, and students that have been involved in service learning and service activities.

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# Michigan Campus Compact Community Service Coordinators Meeting

### Campus Updates (Taken from the September 29, 1995 Meeting Minutes)

<u>Grand Rapids Community College</u>: They will hold a date auction on Oct. 20 and benefit concert on Oct. 27 to raise money to take a service learning trip to New York City Dec. 26.

Alma: Will be going to a selective/competitive work study program due to the success of the program and in working with agencies. Their service learning courses (15-20) are now designated in the course catalogues. Joel from Kellogg will be speaking on volunteerism and leadership in America at Alma on Nov. 20 - flyers will be sent to CSC's. That same evening there will be a hunger banquet that same evening as part of the Global Hunger and Poverty program.

<u>Central Michigan University</u>: The provost has been taking Denise to many meetings with him. She appreciated the opportunity and still finds their faculty to be the toughest audience. They are planning an alternative spring break and volunteer fair this semester.

<u>University of Michigan</u>: U of M will have 60 Alternative Spring Break Site Leaders (31 sits 2 leaders per site). This was the first year that there have been faculty and staff site leaders since it is a year-long commitment. Great fundraising idea: students raise 80% of the budget by cleaning the football and basketball stadiums. Doing Into the Streets four times a year for different populations (freshmen, campus-wide, MLK holiday, and staff that get release time). Anita is also going to send out flyers for the speakers coming to campus (Alice Walker's daughter, Greg Luganis...). A Jeanne Gray update: she is living in Denver and just took a job at a minimum security facility for boys doing case and group counseling.

<u>Wayne State University</u>: Just completed Campus Plunge using 5 sites. Have been thinking about a mid winter retreat, probably a nice indoor facility, chance to re energize. Planning an alternative spring break. The Planned Parenthood Founder will be speaking on Nov. 1 (breakfast is at 8:30, lecture at 9:00) and all are invited.

Oakland Community College: COOL (student organization) planning service projects at Ronald McDonald house and soup kitchen. SVLP is working with high school student tutoring program. They have planned a Halloween party (Oct. 21) and participation in Make a Difference Day (Oct. 28), Into the Streets (Oct. 7), and Students Against Hunger program "Empty Bowl" where many student groups worked together. Students from Macomb were also involved.

Grand Valley State University: Has a new volunteer center! Working on Break Away site leader training on Nov. 11 - open to all. The Break Away conference will be in Nashville Nov. 20-22. This is the third year for Leadership and Service - connected with four campuses. Public school teachers and AYF cosponsoring. They have 15 new courses funded through the philanthropy center. Jay is looking for a graduate assistant looking to get their Masters degree in the Education program. The Habitat Chapter got all of the Dept. of Safety's lost and found items donated and had an auction.

<u>Adrian</u>: Over 600 hours of service were provided by the freshmen class in one day. Adrian is working on connecting with volunteer agencies, volunteer centers in town.

<u>Lansing Community College</u>: Moved their Volunteer Services area to Student Life office. They were involved in Welcome Week activities (students very pleased). Terri helped with the volunteer fair (thank you) and it was very successful. LCC will be involved in Make a Difference Day. The Leadership

Academy has 15 first year students enrolled (each receiving a scholarship). Next year their will be two classes (1st and 2nd year students). There will also be discussion groups in the summer with faculty, staff and student participants. The staff has also attended many classes to talk about service learning. Western Michigan University: Enrollment is up! Service learning grants are coming through too - they had been doing stuff for years and now it is connecting! Terri now has a graduate assistant (Randy)! She has many students going to Break Away - anyone interested in car pooling? She has funding for a van. They sponsored a volunteer opportunities fair where agencies met with students - evaluations good (she says due to the buttons). Terri worked with a group of students on teaching a class component on AIDS, it won a national award and they are invited to go the National Honors conference to present. She has a service component in her Interpersonal Communications class. She is working on a welfare reform teleconference to make sure it is reformed the right way. They will be doing Into the Streets, Trick or Treat for Loaves and Fishes with International Students (canned goods). They also do Into the Streets twice a year. Terri spoke to each group of freshmen through the orientation department. 80% of WMU's football players are volunteering in the community. Their athletic department is very supportive.

Michigan State University: The office has moved from the student life office to career services and placement. They do a great deal of work study placements. They sponsored a non-profit career fair. They have a placement program on-line. There are over 900 local positions. Students can apply from anywhere (on and off campus). They are keeping their fingers crossed for an IBM grant. Members of their staff spoke to the 6500 new freshmen in groups of 200 at a time. This is a very successful way for them to get new students involved, although they are questioning the follow-through. The MSU Day of Caring was huge. They will also be involved in Into the Streets. The students are very active and excited. The office spends a lot of time meeting with faculty and doing many presentations. There is a service learning requirement for some classes and the office assists with placement. They are continuing with the internships and advisors working with them. The new faculty member in the HALE program is assisting in doing some grant writing. The office also advises eight student groups with a service focus.

Andrews University: Will have their 2nd annual volunteer fair on Oct. 26. They will take part in Make a Difference Day and Into the Streets. They have a partnership program with the churches where students go back to their "home" areas during the summer and work for the churches. They get money from the churches, campus, and fundraise so that when they come back they have a stipend waiting for them. The Upton Foundation has given them a \$90,000 incorporate community, service and leadership into the classroom. Faculty members get \$1,000 and student helpers \$500. Larry said that there was an unsolicited article written in the local paper about their office serving as a "pipeline of opportunities for service learning" - the best publicity that he could hope for.

## Michigan Campus Compact SCAN (Student Community Action Network)

#### Campus Updates (Taken from the October 6, 1995 Meeting Minutes)

Albion: The college is "embattled". Faculty and administration have been working out faculty cuts due to perceived new building. Albion will participate in Make a Difference Day on Oct. 28 where there will be senior leaf raking done by college and community organizations. There will be a reopening of a historic theater in town and community service events that will coincide. There had been a Special Olympic event held on Oct. 5. The students involved in community service at Albion are having fun and trying to get more students involved. They said they are continually looking for faculty and staff support.

Oakland: Kelly Masters, the past Community Service Coordinator has gone to work for United Way Community Services. They miss her. The Student Volunteer Leadership Program (SLVP) integrates community service/service learning with high school students. The program took place in July and August. They attended MCC's Camp Miniwanca Service and Leadership conference and also served as primary group leaders at the CMF camp. Their SVLP, Catholic Social Services, and Special Olympics programs are still going strong. They will be participating in Make a Difference Day with Wayne State and also working on Into The Streets. They are currently looking for an advisor. They, too, are looking for ways to get faculty, staff, and administrators involved in integrating service into the curriculum.

Wayne State: Is participating in Into The Streets where they are coordinating many projects. They are also involved in Habitat for Humanity, Break Away and National Make a Difference Day.

<u>Kalamazoo</u>: Also involved in Habitat for Humanity, Senior Citizens bingo, taking latch key kids to the planetarium, vets hospital and pumpkin carving.

<u>Eastern Michigan</u>: Are having their Big Kid Connection that will involve 115 volunteers that will work in the high schools. They are also involved in Best Buddies which is a program that pairs college students with mentally disabled people in the community. They have planned an Alternative Spring Break (ASB) program. SAHA (Students Against Hunger and Homelessness), a Martin Luther King project and Make a Difference Day are all programs that are happening on EMU's campus.

Alma: There is a new service leadership coordinator on campus. SOS, a student run organization in the past is now possibly getting merged with the Volunteer Center. This organization worked to bring faculty and students together. Alma has a student that sits on the faculty board that makes decisions on academic classes that have a service component. Alma will be involved in Make a Difference Day. The Volunteer Fair will be an open house this year where 12 service departments will have tables set up and a lot of volunteers will be involved. Alma is also sponsoring a lock-in with Central Michigan and their SADD chapter.

Western Michigan: WMU is participating in Into The Streets where they will be providing transportation for those who don't have rides. The Greek system is highly involved in the planning and sponsorship. Aaron Cantrell will be there as a speaker. They are hoping to have other colleges come and volunteer with them. They will be having a candle fund-raiser, participating in Care Center bingo, doing door hangers, and trick or treating for canned goods that will involve their international students. They will furnish participants with rolls of film so that they can take pictures of their experiences. They will also be providing breakfast and dinner at the end of the day. They have eight sites lined up for ASB's and already have their site leaders chosen. Their board has expanded to include members from RHA and international affairs.

Grand Valley State University: GVSU will also have a trick or treat for canned goods for all of west Michigan. The food they collect will supply two Grand Rapids soup kitchens for a year! GVSU is hosting a ASB site leader training open to all in November. They have between six and eight sites selected. They are participating in Best Buddies and report a host of new coordinators. Their structure and number of volunteers allows for two volunteers per issue (ASB, Best Buddies, PALS, Hunger and Homelessness, Habitat for Humanity, Literacy, Seniors, Youth, Volunteer Corps, Substance Abuse, Health, and Disabilities). All were impressed with Becky's ability to rattle all of them off! She also stated that faculty involvement was a great challenge for them. GVSU is working to get service built into the curriculum starting with freshmen seminar and orientation.