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Trustees to meet with presidential candidates during special meetings

Regular meeting will be held 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14

The Southern State Community College Board of Trustees will hold special meetings 8:45 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, and 11:45 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, in Room 149 of the college's Fayette Campus, 1270 U.S. Route 62 SW, Washington C.H.

During the two special meetings, the board plans to go into executive session for the purpose of interviewing 10 applicants for the position of president of Southern State Community College.

The trustees will then meet for a regularly scheduled board meeting 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, in the Community Center of the college's Fayette Campus. The meeting is open to the public.

The board of trustees will invite finalists (selected from the 10 interviewed Oct. 13 and 14) to participate in more extensive on-campus interviews with a broad range of college constituents, including faculty, administration, staff and students.

Current president Sherry A. Stout, Ph.D., has announced her plan to retire effective Dec. 31, 2009. Dr. Stout has served Southern State since its founding in 1975, most recently as the college's fourth president.

27 complete SSCC’s Your Place program

Twenty-seven students recently completed Southern State Community College's Your Place program, which assists individuals-in-transition—single parents, displaced homemakers, single pregnant women and anyone who needs to develop new skills in order to earn a livable wage due to divorce, disability, unemployment or underemployment—in achieving their goals of education and/or employment.

Your Place program classes emphasize self esteem, goal setting, decision making, communication skills, conflict resolution, time/stress management, budgeting, parenting skills and more.

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Free career workshops offered at SCCC

Southern State Community College’s Career Services Office will offer workshops on resume writing and interviewing techniques throughout the fall. The sessions are free and open to Southern State students, alumni and members of the community. For more information, please call Rob Moffat, coordinator of career services, at 1-800-628-7722, ext. 2713, or visit http://www.sssc.edu/Students/Career_Svcs/.

Central Campus (Room 140)

100 Hobart Drive, Hillsboro

6 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 15: Resume Writing, then Interviewing Techniques

6 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 22: Interviewing Techniques, then Resume Writing

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The specific courses offered within the “Your Place” program are SOCI 210: Personal Development, two credits, which examines the area of sociology in relation to family lifestyles and human relationships; and PSYC 115: Career Development & Employability, two credits, which examines the participants’ skills, interests, work needs, career options and planning strategies, knowledge of non-traditional fields and sexual harassment laws, job search preparation, techniques in obtaining employment, and career expectations.

Upon successful completion of the program, participants earn six college credit hours, which can be used as electives toward the completion of a degree. The “Your Place” program has been offered at Southern State Community College since 1983 and serves Adams, Brown, Clinton, Fayette and Highland counties.

College retention allowances are available based on availability of funds and student eligibility. For more information, please visit www.sssc.edu/regional_center/your_place.htm, or call Sue Evans, instructor, at 800-628-7722, ext. 3540, or 937-695-0307, ext. 3540.