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Subject: Fwd: NASA Project

Date: Thu, 21 Aug 2008 16:34

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Mike:

It was good meeting with you on Friday. As promised, attached is a one-page summary of our proposal to set up a NASA solar cell testing and certification laboratory at our Clean and Alternative Energy Incubator. This will set up a facility in conjunction with NASA that will test and certify photovoltaic materials and modules. This \$1.1 million project is an important step in our plan to bring the presence of both NASA and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory to Toledo and will further cement our leadership in this growing area of technology.

It would be great to have Lucas County as a partner on this project. Please let me, or Robert Collins (PI) know if you have any questions.

Thanks for your help and interest.

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Date: Mon, 25 Aug 2008 15:51

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To: "Pete Gerken" (PGerken@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Tina Skeldon Wozniak" (TWozniak@co.lucas.oh.us)

Please
do not renew Tom Skeldon's contract. This is an arrogant,
hate-filled, man who delights in destroying dogs (not just pit bulls)! A
few years ago I saw them pick up a stray dog and I immediately called the pound,
described the dog and where they picked him up, and told them I definitely wanted
to adopt this dog. They told me it would be a day or two before the dog
would be available for adoption. On the day they said he would be
available for adoption, I called to see if I could come in and pick him up. They
had already killed him – said he was a dangerous dog! This was not
a dangerous dog – just a hungry, scared, mutt of a dog, and they didn't
even bother to place it for adoption!

Judy

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Subject: removal of tom skeldon

Date: Mon, 25 Aug 2008 16:24

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Hi Mr. Konop, I hope you remember me from The College of Law, I am the secretary from suite 2006 (eisler, pizzimenti etc.). I have signed the petition to remove Skeldon from office! He is a dog hater! How can he be a dog warden and an animal hater at the same time? He doesn't make any sense to me.

I am going through the court system now because of my family dog (a pit bull terrier) who is the sweetest family pet... loves children and other animals! Our fence was opened last winter by somebody else, and my dog left the yard. We searched high and low for him... couldn't find him, so the same day, we checked the dog pound, and there he was! So I had to go get my muzzle and the money to get my dog out, or he would be euthanized in a few days. I received charges for "failure to confine"

I sat with an employee of the dog warden while waiting for my case to be called... and he specifically told me that Skeldon is doing this because of politics and money. This whole ban on pitbulls is about money... overtime for the employees, high fines, high liscense fees.. it is all about the money. The employee that picked up my dog said my dog isn't vicious and he will state that in court, but the law is the law! I am still going to court for this situation... any advice? I know a lot of dog owners that will leave lucas county, instead of giving up their dogs! Skeldon is bad for the city.

Thanks for your time.

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Subject: UT Powerpoint Presentation.....UT to Host Breakfast Meeting to welcome Melford International Terminals, Inc.

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Dear Transportation and Logistics Partners:

Thank you for your support in welcoming Melford International Terminal Inc., CEO Bob Stevens and President Paul Martin. The breakfast on Wednesday, August 20, 2008 from 8 to **10:00 a.m.** at Libby Hall on the main University of Toledo campus was very successful. Mr. Stevens and Mr. Martin visited our region to share information, provide a project overview, and to get regional feedback on our role in their deep-water container terminal and logistics park in Melford, Guysborough County, Nova Scotia. Their visit and your support cemented the Strategic Collaboration Agreement entered into by the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority, the University of Toledo, Midwest Terminals International Incorporated Inc., and Melford International Terminal Inc. You will be kept informed as this initiative continues to develop.

A number of people have asked for the UT presentation. The link below will take you to the UT-ITI web site.

<http://www.utoledo.edu/research/iti/>

The link to the presentation is in the left hand column labeled

- [Melford International Breakfast Presentation](#) (.ppt)

Clicking on this link allows you to open or save the presentation.

Best Regards

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Hello Commissioner Konop,

I hope everything's going well, I know you're probably at the DNC this week, having a blast! Please get back to me when you can. I would like to schedule a meeting for you to come on campus and listen to a presentation on the Green classes, the impact energy and environmental issues will play in our future and the major importance of educating our county and city employees. I appreciate your consideration and your commitment to our communities.

I'll look forward to hearing from you.

Tracee Ellis

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Community partners,

We would like to invite you to participate in our next Meta-plan meeting. The intent of these meetings is to bring together our Northwest Ohio agencies involved in economic development on a strategic level, to find 'unity of vision' and 'actionable items' that will create new, tactical development in Northwest Ohio.

Meta-plan group includes: The Toledo Lucas County Port Authority, Regional Growth Partnership, Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce, City of Toledo, Lucas County Improvement Corporation, Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments, and the University of Toledo.

Please help to widen our next conversation on Thursday, September 11th, from 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. in the Hilton Faculty Club on our Health Science Campus. R.S.V.P. to Penny Thiessen at penny.thiessen@utoledo.edu or 419-383-6900.

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Dear Commissioners,

Please do not renew

Tom Skeldon's contract as Lucas County Dog Warden. He is taken his authority too far by racial profiling pit bulls and not allowing adoptions by local rescue groups. Truly he is not an animal lover. It is my philosophy that anyone who can easily hurt or kill a defenseless animal does not have a

reverence for life. This is not a way to make people feel welcome in Lucas County and our Toledo.

I feel as though a dog warden should be an advocate for animals. That is what the “shelter” is for, aiding lost or unwanted animals. Tom Skeldon certainly does not fit the definition of an animal advocate. As he boasts about how many pit bulls he has killed this year, think about the impression he makes on would-be Toledoans and the message he sends to pet lovers. Is this who you want picking up your lost pet?

Sincerely,

Jill Trendel

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Subject: FW: Important Invitation from The University of Toledo- UT/City/County Projects

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Hello All,

I have made a mistake on the room number for our meeting on September 18th. The room number is 2190 rather than 2109. I apologize for that. I also ask if you could send me an email confirming your attendance between now and Monday, September 15, 2008, it would be greatly appreciated.

I will look forward to seeing you,

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University of Toledo/City of Toledo/Lucas County

Educational Advisory Board

A Community Partnership

Working Together for the Enrichment of the Community

As coordinator of the City/County/UT Educational Advisory Board, I would like to invite you to the campus of The University of Toledo to listen to a presentation/proposal on *Green courses* offered at the University, the impact energy and environmental issues will play in our future and the major importance of educating and training our county and city employees. I am very excited about this aspect of participating in Green initiatives and I am confident that as leaders of this community, you will certainly benefit by attending this presentation. Environmental and green issues are vital to our city's future, the question is not *'if'* but rather, *'when'*!

Environmental transitions are taking place everyday and it won't be long before city governments will be mandated at the federal and state levels to make changes that will be necessary to lead us into the 21st century. It is environmentally and fiscally responsible and it is our obligation to educate and train.

The presentation will be held on Thursday, September
18, 2008

10:00 a.m., at the Scott Park Campus, Room 2109.

Mr. Kenneth Dobson, Director of UT Clean and Green Building
Resource Laboratory

will be our presenter.

I appreciate your consideration and your commitment to our communities.

Please feel
free to contact me with any questions you may have.

Have a
great day!

Tracee
L. Ellis

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As coordinator of the City/County/UT Educational Advisory Board, I would like to invite you to the campus of The University of Toledo to listen to a presentation/proposal on *Green courses* offered at the University, the impact energy and environmental issues will play in our future and the major importance of educating and training our county and city employees. I am very excited about this aspect of participating in Green initiatives and I am confident that as leaders of this community, you will certainly benefit by attending this presentation. Environmental and green issues are vital to our city's future, the question is not *'if'* but rather, *'when'*! Environmental transitions are taking place everyday and it won't be long before city governments will be mandated at the federal and state levels to make changes that will be necessary to lead us into the 21st century. It is environmentally and fiscally responsible and it is our obligation to educate and train.

The presentation will be held on Thursday, September
18, 2008

10:00 a.m., at the Scott Park Campus, Room 2109.

Mr. Kenneth Dobson, Director of UT Clean and Green Building
Resource Laboratory

will be our presenter.

I
appreciate your consideration and your commitment to our communities.

Please feel
free to contact me with any questions you may have.

Have a
great day!

Tracee
L. Ellis

From: "Johnson, Daniel M. " (dan.johnson@utoledo.edu)

Subject: Letter to Friends & Colleagues

Date: Tue, 16 Sep 2008 16:13

To: "Ben Konop" (bkonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

bcc: Ben Konop

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Dear friends and colleagues,

I'm writing to let you know that I have accepted a new position as head of the two university campuses of Zayed University in the United Arab Emirates.

Zayed University is a new institution established in 1998.

The university is named after the revered founder of this relatively new nation, Sheik Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, and has campuses, one in both Dubai and the other in Abu Dhabi. The cities are approximately 90 miles apart.

All this has happened fairly quickly. I was approached in June and after two "airport" meetings in Detroit, several long telephone calls and a week-long trip to the UAE, we accepted their invitation. Elaine and I will be moving to Dubai in October.

Although we will be in Dubai, we are keeping our home in Toledo and plan to return following my tenure at ZU. Frankly, we were “dazzled” by the two cities, the quality of the faculty and staff, the new university campus in Dubai, and the plans for a new campus in Abu Dhabi on which they are breaking ground shortly after we arrive. The government wants ZU to “become the premier university and prepare leaders for the United Arab Emirates.”

As is the case with all universities, there are major challenges but they are far overshadowed by the great opportunities to establish and grow American-style academic programs at both the undergraduate and graduate levels.

The position is Provost, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Academic Officer.

One of the many nice features of the position is the two-month break from mid- June to mid-August which will allow us to return to our home here and stay in touch with our family, friends and colleagues. As you can imagine, we are excited by this unexpected new twist in our lives. But even with the excitement that comes with this new chapter is the difficulty of separating ourselves from our family and all of you.

I hope Elaine and I get to see you before we leave in mid-October. My office here at UT will help convey mail if you should want to contact us in Dubai (Penny Thiessen, 419-383 6900).

We cherish our relationships with all of you. You have made our lives rich, meaningful and rewarding. Notwithstanding the miles, it is our hope that our ties will remain as strong as they are now.

Affectionately,

Elaine and Dan Johnson

Attachment: Press Release

From: "Ross, Paula" (pross2@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: SNA

Date: Fri, 19 Sep 2008 10:25

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

cc: "Neil Reid" (NReid@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Hi
Ben,

Thanks for the interesting meeting yesterday. (Two meetings, in fact.) Attached are links to the last two issues of the UAC newsletter, each of which includes an article about the social network analysis project looking at the Northwest Ohio economic development network.

http://uac.utoledo.edu/News/UAC-News_fall07.pdf (page 14)

<http://uac.utoledo.edu/News/UAC-newsletter-spr08.pdf> (page 11)

For a broader look at social network analysis, you may be interested in <http://orgnet.com/>, the website of Valdis Krebs, a Cleveland consultant. I first learned about SNA from a presentation Valdis made at a workshop on complexity. (In fact there's another, small-world network connection, since my daughter Olivia met Valdis

when he spoke to her class in the UCLA school of public health.) We subsequently hired Valdis to work with us on our first SNA project, a study of the Maumee Valley Growers, and we purchased his software, Inflow. As a part of that contract, he began to train us in SNA. Later, Neil and I and Bruce Smith from BGSU attended the annual conference of the International Network of Social Network Analysts (INSNA), where I did a one-day course on Ucinet, probably the most popular SNA program for academics (includes more statistical tools, etc). That program is the work of Steve Borgatti, who is at the LINKS center (<http://www.linkscenter.org>) at the University of Kentucky. Last summer I did a one-week course there.

In the future, we hope to market SNA as one of our services. As I mentioned, I continue to read and learn about SNA. Neil and some colleagues continue to submit and present on the topic at academic conferences. We are happy to work with the commissioners on the project we discussed as a way of gaining experience, while helping you to better understand and perhaps strategically strengthen the network studied.

If you want to talk more about the economic development project, you might have Gabby call Pam in our office (419.530.3591) and schedule a time to meet with Neil and me. You can call me any time (419.530.3595) as you look at the materials linked above. If I don't hear from you, I'll call in about 2 weeks as you suggested.

Best,

Paula

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Ross
Research Associate

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From: "Johnson, Daniel M. " (dan.johnson@utoledo.edu)

Subject: RE: report follow up

Date: Sat, 20 Sep 2008 10:29

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

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Date: Sun, 21 Sep 2008 00:33

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Dan

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Sent: Sat 9/20/2008 9:21 PM

To: Johnson, Daniel M.

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Dr Johnson-I think there could be a justification for giving seats to the two fortune 500 companies (dana, oc), a healthcare field representative (pro medical/mercy) and alternative energy (andersons and first solar/xunlight). I just think we need the really smart people with global perspective that these companies have to offer. The current business community participation skews way towards very small business, which is valuable, but we need broader perspective and connections as well.

In any event, I truly appreciate your commitment to this project and look forward to working with your committee to see it to completion.

Best regards, Ben

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Subject: Interview Request - UT's Regional Engagement Strategy - Oct. 7

Date: Wed, 01 Oct 2008 14:24

To: "Brian Kaiser" (BKaiser@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

cc: "Gabrielle Seay" (GSeay@co.lucas.oh.us)

cc: "Molly Luetke" (MELuetke@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Pete Gerken" (PGerken@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Tina Skeldon Wozniak" (TWozniak@co.lucas.oh.us)

cc: "Diana Joyce Jacobs" (djacobs6@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

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Thank

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Subject: Meta-Plan Information

Date: Fri, 03 Oct 2008 10:43

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August 21, 2008 11:31 AM

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Subject: LCIC Community Task Force Final Report

Date: Thu, 09 Oct 2008 13:07

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File item: [LCIC FINAL Report Sept. 29.pdf](#) (373927)

On behalf of the LCIC Community Task Force, I would like to thank you for your assistance in our efforts to provide the Lucas County Commissioners with suggestions and recommendations for the LCIC. I am pleased to convey a copy of our report (see attached) so that you have an understanding of the outcomes of this effort. We are hopeful that the Commissioners will find this report helpful and that it might serve as a catalyst for strengthening economic development in Lucas County and the region.

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Date: Mon, 20 Oct 2008 12:05

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cc: "Gabrielle Seay" (GSeay@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Matthew G. Simon" (Matthew.Simon@firstmerit.com)

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Sent: Friday, October 10, 2008 9:36 AM

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Cc: Ben Konop; Gabrielle Seay; Cole, Kimberly

Subject: RE: Lucas County Smoking Cessation Program

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Subject: RE: Lucas County Smoking Cessation Program

Date: Mon, 20 Oct 2008 15:19

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Diane Ducey" (DDucey@co.lucas.oh.us)

cc: "Gabrielle Seay" (GSeay@co.lucas.oh.us)

Diane

I don't think Barb G had planned to check CO2 levels. We had always discussed having the Wellness coaches do the testing. The other option would be to buy a box of CO2 monitors and use the Health Dept machine for the 3 mos and 6 mos testing. The box of monitors (200 ct) is \$35.

Kim

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From: "Konop, Benjamin" (bkonop@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: column

Date: Wed, 22 Oct 2008 14:39

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

Jobs or Windows?

Fiscal Priorities. We all set them. Whether it's a family deciding to spend money on their daughter's college education instead of a buying a new car, or a small businessman opting to invest his profits into growing his business instead of taking a trip to Florida, setting spending priorities is a reality of life for all of us. It's no different for county government. With shrinking revenues and ever greater service needs, county government has to set priorities in these challenging economic times.

That's why I was so vocal in opposing a taxpayer funded \$450,000 purchase of new windows for a county building. Instead, I proposed to use about half of that money to fund two job creation programs that would have created about 40 jobs at area non-profits and high tech start ups. A small portion of the money, under my plan, would have gone to help uninsured and underinsured citizens in Lucas County get, on average, a 20% discount on prescription drug costs through joining a purchasing plan sponsored by the National Association of Counties. And the rest of the window money, \$200,000, would have gone into the county's rainy day fund, a conservative investment in case our fiscal situation gets worse. It's just like a family tucking some money into the piggy bank in case of unforeseen challenges. Nobody like to do it, but it's the prudent thing to do.

Unfortunately, my colleagues on the Board of Commissioners voted 2-1 against my proposal. So you, the taxpayer, is the lucky recipient of \$450,000 windows for an aging, non descript county building. Sadly, dozens of Lucas County residents will miss out on getting back on their feet and into the workforce due to this decision. And non-profits, many of which are affiliated with the United Way, will be hurt because they are short staffed and could have used the help the jobs would create to offer services to the neediest among us. Small business in areas like alternative

energy will be hurt because we didn't devote the resources to giving them the manpower to grow and create more jobs. And the tens of thousands of Lucas County residents who are uninsured or underinsured lose out as well, because we didn't invest in a program that could have saved them hundreds of dollars on out of control prescription drug costs.

Ten years ago, I probably would have voted with my colleagues and supported the \$450,000 windows. Back then, our economy was creating jobs at a decent pace, we had a national budget surplus instead of a huge deficit, and we weren't fighting two wars that cost us 10 billion dollars a month. In short, we could address less pressing needs in the community like windows on a county building, because less people in our community were hurting.

In 2008, we face a starkly different reality. Our unemployment rate is rising and is likely to get worse. Foreclosures are decimating families and neighborhoods. And healthcare costs continue to skyrocket out of control while incomes shrink. That's why I could not support the windows this time around.

Congress and the Bush administration bailed out their cronies on Wall Street to the tune of 700 billion taxpayer dollars. In my opinion this was unwise and unfair to places like Toledo, where job killing trade deals and globalization have undermined our manufacturing base. While we don't have the power or resources to totally overcome the unfair hand we have been dealt, we do have some control over our destiny. And that's what my jobs plan was really about. The fat cats in Washington have ignored us for too long, and our local economy is paying the price. Sometimes it seems like people making decisions in D.C. have no real understanding of what we are going through here in Lucas County. By investing what we could in the people of our community through a jobs program and healthcare relief, instead of buying windows, I was hoping to help bail out Main Street for once.

From: "Konop, Benjamin" (bkonop@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: release

Date: Sun, 26 Oct 2008 20:26

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

Emergency \$250,000 Investment Proposed to Aid Workers Effected by Jeep Layoffs

Allocation of County funds could help hundreds displaced due to ripple effect of Chrysler cuts

(Toledo, OH)- Seeking to address the growing unemployment problem in Lucas County, worsened by the ripple effect of the Jeep layoffs, Commissioner Konop will today propose an emergency measure devoting *at least* \$250,000 to On the Job Training programs (OJT's) for displaced workers. Konop's proposal will help some of the thousands of workers who will be downsized in the wake of the Jeep layoffs get retrained and placed in other jobs.

"Those who are losing their jobs as a result of the Jeep layoffs are getting laid off through no fault of their own," stated Konop. "We have the hardest working, best trained workforce in the land, but because of forces beyond their control, thousands in our community will lose their jobs in the next several months. We have a duty in county government to do all we can to get these and other hard working citizens back on their feet," stated Konop

Konop's emergency resolution would allocate \$250,000 from a \$450,000 window replacement project to the OJT fund. OJT contracts can be developed between an employer and Lucas County to provide occupational skill training for the dislocated worker in exchange for a reimbursement of up to fifty percent of the wage rate. Currently the OJT fund, which operates on a July to July fiscal year, is projected to run out of cash in two months.

"We urgently need to get people to work in our community, and the funds to do so from state and federal sources are diminishing rapidly because of the growing need," stated Konop. "We must have priorities in county government, and right now jobs for the workers displaced by the Jeep layoffs and other downsizings must come before non-essential new windows for a county building," concluded Konop.

Konop's resolution will be voted on at Tuesday's Commissioner's hearing.

What- Announcement of Emergency Resolution to Invest at least \$250,000 in OJT's for displaced workers

When- 1:30 PM, Monday, October 27th

Where- Lobby of One Government Center

An **OJT** contract can be developed between an employer and the LCWDA to provide occupational skill training for a WIA participant in exchange for reimbursement of up to fifty percent (50%) of the wage rate (or up to the maximum allowable US-DOL or State reimbursement rate) to the employer to compensate for the employer's extraordinary costs in training the WIA participant on the job.

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From: "Thiessen, Penny" (PThiess@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: Meta-Plan Annual Meeting - Date Change

Date: Thu, 30 Oct 2008 15:04

To: "" (dnltd@aol.com)

To: "" (djenkins@bedfordmi.org)

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Mike Beazley" (MBeazley@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Pete Gerken" (PGerken@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Tina Skeldon Wozniak" (TWozniak@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "" (tomcrothers@dtid.com)

To: "Keith Instone" (keith2008@instone.org)

To: "Hugh Grefe" (HGrefe@lisc.org)

To: "" (crkozak@nisource.com)

To: "" (gary_corrigan@owens.edu)

To: "" (jejakes@sev.org)

To: "" (rar@srpcpa.com)

To: "" (sanford@toledobiz.com)

To: "" (TPlath@ToledoHBA.Com)

To: "Clyde Scoles" (clyde.scoles@toledolibrary.org)

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This is to let you know that the date for the Annual Meta-Plan event has been changed from Nov. 24 to January 12, 2009, 8 a.m. - Noon at the Hilton. More info to follow.

Penny

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Executive Secretary

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From: "Cole, Kimberly" (Kimberly.Cole@utoledo.edu)

Subject: RE: Lucas County Smoking Cessation Program

Date: Thu, 30 Oct 2008 15:20

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Diane Ducey" (DDucey@co.lucas.oh.us)

cc: "Gabrielle Seay" (GSeay@co.lucas.oh.us)

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I really think the Wellness Counselors are the better choice because the Health Dept doesn't even have a smoking cessation program or person who is knowledgeable about smoking cessation program.

Kim

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Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2008 3:05 PM
To: Diane Ducey; Cole, Kimberly
Cc: Gabrielle Seay
Subject: RE: Lucas County Smoking Cessation Program

Diane and Kim-- I would not anticipate a huge amount of people taking advantage of this program so the health dept. time/cost commitment will be light. Thanks

>>> Diane Ducey 10/30/2008 2:01 PM >>>
Kim,

I spoke with Gabrielle Seay from Commissioner Konop's office to make sure that I understood the initial directive correctly. We were all under the same impression that the Toledo/Lucas County Health Department would perform the nicotine tests for our employees who elect to participate in this program. Would you please check with the appropriate staff members at the Health Department to ensure that this is a feasible option?

Commissioner Konop also has several questions regarding the actual nicotine test itself that I am hoping you or Health Dept. staff members can answer: 1) Do the nicotine tests only test for nicotine, or do other drugs the participant may be taking show up during the testing as well? 2) Are false positive's a common occurrence when performing nicotine testing? 3) If participants chew tobacco, use the nicotine patches, or other methods of suggested "aids" to quit smoking, how will that affect the nicotine test results?

Your assistance in obtaining a commitment from health department staff to administer the nicotine tests and answer the few questions Commissioner Konop has would be greatly appreciated. As you know, we would like to roll this program out as soon as possible.

Please let me know if you require any additional information from me. Thank you.

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From: "Cole, Kimberly" (Kimberly.Cole@utoledo.edu)

Subject: CO monitors for smoking cessation program

Date: Fri, 31 Oct 2008 12:12

To: "Barbara Gunning" (gunningb@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Diane Ducey" (DDucey@co.lucas.oh.us)

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Subject: RE: CO monitors for smoking cessation program

Date: Tue, 04 Nov 2008 12:13

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I believe Friday at 130p will work for me
Kim

-----Original Message-----

From: Gabrielle Seay [mailto:GSeay@co.lucas.oh.us]
Sent: Monday, November 03, 2008 10:40 AM
To: Ben Konop; Diane Ducey; Barbara Gunning; Matthew G. Simon; Cole, Kimberly
Subject: RE: CO monitors for smoking cessation program

Could we try one more date? Friday, Nov 7 at 1:30pm?

Gabrielle Seay
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(419) 213-2155
fax: (419) 213-4299
gseay@co.lucas.oh.us

>>> "Matthew G. Simon" 11/3/2008 10:31:51
AM >>>

Either date is good for me.

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From: Gabrielle Seay [GSeay@co.lucas.oh.us]
Sent: Monday, November 03, 2008 10:19 AM
To: Ben Konop; Diane Ducey; Barbara Gunning; Kimberly Cole
Cc: Matthew G. Simon
Subject: Re: CO monitors for smoking cessation program

Thanks Kim.

Given some confusion about the roles that our respective offices will play in this initiative, I think it would be good for us to meet to firm up the details. Could you please confirm your availability for a meeting on either Wednesday, Nov. 5 at 11:00am or Thursday, Nov 6 at 1:00pm. If neither time works, could you please provide me with times you are available this week.

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Subject: A Nomination for Joel Lipman

Date: Tue, 04 Nov 2008 16:14

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

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Date: Wed, 05 Nov 2008 13:10

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

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To: "Gabrielle Seay" (GSeay@co.lucas.oh.us)

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Tom Barden

Thomas E. Barden
Professor of English & Director
The University Honors Program
Mail Stop #504
University of Toledo
Toledo, Ohio 43606

Dear Ben,

I have to have the whole enchilada in to the UT provost by December 12th, so a few days before that would be great. And if you have electronic files of the creation documents and/or procedural papers for the Poet Laureateship, that would be very helpful for me in narrating his goals and duties in that post.

Thanks,

Tom

P.s. And isn't it a great day to be an American!!!

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-----Original Message-----

From: Ben Konop [mailto:bkonop@co.lucas.oh.us]

Sent: Tuesday, November 04, 2008 4:44 PM

To: Barden, Thomas E.

Cc: gseay@co.lucas.oh.us

Subject: Re: A Nomination for Joel Lipman

Tom, I would be honored to support Joel. Thanks for thinking of me.

What is the deadline? And thanks for your support...much appreciated.

Best regards, Ben

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From: "Jacobs, D'Naie" (djacobs@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: Press Release

Date: Mon, 17 Nov 2008 14:33

To: "D'Naie Jacobs" (djacobs@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

cc: "Mary Jo Smith Waldock" (mwaldoc@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

bcc: "Ben Konop" (bkonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

Corridor changes name, expands economic mission

By Jon Strunk

Nov 17, 2008

The UT Science and Technology Corridor is changing its name — becoming Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) Enterprises — and expanding the reach of its economic development efforts, according to University officials.

"The corridor created a strong economic development foundation for UT and for the region," said Mary Jo Waldock, special assistant to UT President Lloyd Jacobs for economic development.

"STI Enterprises will fold in University research, technology transfer and patent efforts, work-force development, and small and spin-off business incubation," she said. "UT contributes so much to the regional economy already, and this reorganization will make future and current partnerships that much more focused."

Dr. Frank Calzonetti, vice president for research development, highlighted the added focus on innovation.

"The National Science Foundation recently conducted a review that showed UT is among the top 10 universities in the nation when it comes to licensing ideas or products for commercialization and launching startup businesses per dollar of research," Calzonetti said. "Our faculty are and will continue to play a fundamental

role as northwest Ohio becomes a knowledge-based economy.”

The concept of the corridor was developed during the tenure of Dr. Dan Johnson’s UT presidency; Jacobs said STI Enterprises would further build on Johnson’s vision.

“The overarching vision initially set by Dan will not change,” Jacobs said. “STI Enterprises will have as its mission the prosperity of this community, with recognition that an entrepreneurial arm of an engaged university is an important tool for implementation.”

Jacobs said the partnerships UT has forged, most notably the merger between UT and the Medical University of Ohio, have had a profound impact on the region’s economic growth and there are no plans to slow up now.

“I have been honored for nearly three years to find myself in a position to implement visions created by my friend, Dr. Dan Johnson,” he said. “His vision was that The University of Toledo become an ‘engaged university’ with all the implications of that phrase.”

From: "Matthew Zydorczyk" (mzydorc@eng.utoledo.edu)

Subject: SDUDI = DEADEND

Date: Mon, 24 Nov 2008 11:48

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

Mr. Konop,

Please do not get behind this "sdudi" project. I am a student in the college of engineering and I can tell you that whatever they look to be proposing is complete bull. For one, this "sdudi" is just another "flavor" of the operating system "Linux" and example of open source software. All of this software already comes free. Almost all open source software is under a GPL license which allows anyone and everyone to use this software for free just by going online.

Secondly, many "flavors" of Linux already are able to boot from a flash drive just as was shown on the story on 13abc. This is not even close to "new technology".

I assure you that this will not create a SINGLE job that would be beneficial to our economy in any way. This stuff is already used by millions and obtainable by everyone. All this is, is a waste of taxpayer money. You guys are going to ask for \$2 million for this?!? For what?! IT'S ALREADY BEEN DONE! IT'S ALREADY FREE! This "company" does not deserve any federal funding for something anyone can already do. You could go up to any person that knows anything about computers and they will probably know and Linux. They could download the software and put it on a USB flash drive all in about an hour. Does this sound like something worth \$2M? NO WAY!

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Sincerely,

Matt Z

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To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

Thank you for responding. I also would like to say that I wasn't trying to come off as angry in my email, just excited. I am glad they are not asking for public money but all the same I do not see how this could be applied, publicly or privately. Obviously I know close to nothing about this "project" except for what was on the news but I still don't believe this is going to have anything that any other distribution could get. Plus, I don't understand how a company is trying to be formed from this when it's already been developed and the only cost would be the flash drive. Even an added "backup feature" makes no sense if you're talking about backing up to the flash drive itself...which isn't a backup then.

Ofcourse we are probably just on two different pages and this is a new..."undertaking" (I guess?) without much info on. I just don't know how it's being promoted as a job maker. I look forward to seeing what else this company/product is going to do and see if it's really a "green" and "economy boosting" idea or not.

Thanks again for responding. I do believe you have good ideas and hope you continue to listen to the people

Matt

Ben Konop wrote:

> Matt- thanks for the note. Just to clarify, Sdudi is not seeking public money nor am I proposing they receive any public funds. They are looking for private financing and if the venture funds decide its a worth technology they will get private funding. I am also aware that they are using opensource which is, I believe, a viable plan, I agree, certainly not a "new technology". The stick does offer some added features as well in addition to just the software

(backups, etc...) . But in the long run, I guess we will just have to see if the private sector gets behind it with funding. I appreciate your input and keep in touch. Best regards, Ben

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From: "Konop, Benjamin" (bkonop@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: column

Date: Tue, 02 Dec 2008 19:10

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

Pinch Me

Is this a nightmare, or are my two colleagues on the County Commission about to raise taxes on home sales in the worst economy since the Great Depression. I hope this is a just dream--and a very bad one at that for working families in Lucas County--but after sitting through two hearings on the issue, I'm pretty sure this is reality.

Led by Commissioner Gerken, a proposal is on the table to raise the conveyance tax for all Lucas County residents. This is a tax that we all must pay when selling our home or business. If this tax hike passes, the average home seller in Lucas County will have to write an extra check for \$120 at the time of sale in addition to any other closing costs. Yes, that's a substantial tax hike in this economy. You can see how I could mistake this for a bad dream.

I imagine you are reading this and thinking, I don't have an extra \$120 laying around when I sell my home, especially since it's likely that my home has lost significant value over the last couple years. If you are a parent, I'm sure you could think of a number of ways to spend that \$120, like paying for groceries or clothes for the kids. And my bet is if you are senior, living on a fixed income, you probably could spend that money on prescription drugs or health insurance. But alas, under this nightmare scenario, your tax dollars (around \$1,000,000 per year!) will go directly to the LCIC.

Remember the LCIC? It's the "economic development" agency whose director resigned two hours before he was fired for funneling a no bid contract to a political crony of Commissioner Gerken. It's the economic development agency with no accountability standards, and little results in terms of jobs--as our rising local unemployment numbers continue to well document. And it's the organization that still has a board of 20 politicians in control. See how I could believe this is all a bad dream for Lucas County?

Listen, we all want jobs and economic development. We all want to see the public sector play a role in turning our economy around. But before we raise taxes on working families and seniors

trying to sell their homes or businesses in the worst economy since the Depression, let's take a step back. Wouldn't it make a tad more sense to see some results out of the LCIC first and maybe wait a while for the economy to improve before we consider writing them a blank check for a million dollars of taxpayer money?

I doubt there is an economist on either side of the aisle who could support this on intellectual grounds in our current economic state. And I doubt there are many regular folks out there who could support this based on plain common sense.

However, there are some big wigs out there who support this and don't mind throwing your money around in their boardrooms and backrooms. In fact, this "good 'ole boys network" may well write an article blasting me in response to speaking out about what I believe and standing up for the Average Joe. But I won't back down on this one. I'm sick and tired of reliving these bad dreams in Government Center, while our community continues to lose jobs, investment, and population. Enough is enough...let's wake up Toledo!

From: "Hochberg, Sue Ann" (shochbe@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: reading materials!

Date: Wed, 03 Dec 2008 16:21

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

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File item: [outline for presentation 121603.doc](#) (48128)

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From: "Hochberg, Sue Ann" (shochbe@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: RE: cyber bullying

Date: Thu, 04 Dec 2008 10:15

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

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-----Original Message-----

From: Ben Konop [mailto:bkonop@co.lucas.oh.us]
Sent: Thursday, December 04, 2008 10:10 AM
To: Hochberg, Sue Ann
Subject: cyber bullying

From today's slate.com: <http://www.slate.com/id/2205952/>

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From: "Hochberg, Sue Ann" (shochbe@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: RE: cyber bullying

Date: Thu, 04 Dec 2008 10:28

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

That's a great idea!

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From: Ben Konop [mailto:BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us]

Sent: Thursday, December 04, 2008 10:24 AM

To: Hochberg, Sue Ann

Subject: Re: cyber bullying

Maybe even a local high school govt class...kids could learn about the law and also have first hand experience

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From: "Hochberg, Sue Ann"

To: Ben Konop

Sent: 12/4/2008 10:15:29 AM

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From: "Konop, Benjamin" (bkonop@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: rant

Date: Sun, 07 Dec 2008 23:46

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

To rant or to rave, that is the question. In the last couple weeks, there's been no shortage of business as usual to rant about at government center . First, my colleagues outvoted me 2-1 to put a half a million dollars of taxpayer funded new windows on a county building the same day we had to lay off 8 workers from that very same building. Then, Commissioner Pete Gerken moved forward with proposing the "Gerken Tax", which will cost the average home seller in Lucas County \$120. This tax increase will raise over a million dollars a year of your money for Gerken's pet bureaucracy, the LCIC. So it's very tempting to rant.

But a story I saw by Fox's Shaun Hagerty last week makes me want to rave about this community and the holiday spirit. According to Shaun's story, Toys for Toys and the Salvation Army are about \$150,000 short in their fundraising drive to provide Christmas gifts, food, and clothing to underprivileged kids in our community. Hearing about this, a group of 7th- and 8th-graders at O L P H elementary school in south Toledo, and the children of recent Extreme Home Makeover beneficiaries Jackie and Aaron Frisch, started a grassroots effort to raise the necessary funds and help those families who need it most. The young students are donating lunch money, allowances, and snow shoveling money. Some are volunteering time as bell ringers for the Salvation Army, while others are putting up "Kids Saving Christmas" donation boxes where ever they can. They even started an impressive website where you can get involved at kids saving christmas.org. To me this act of generosity represents not only what is best about the holiday season but what is best about our community. A group of local kids, on their own, reaching out to help other less fortunate kids in Toledo celebrate Christmas. While we have certainly seen our share of hard times recently, this kind of community and holiday spirit deserves our recognition and support. It's certainly something to rave about.

For Fox Toledo Rant and Rave, I'm Lucas County Commissioner Ben Konop

From: "Reichert, Megan" (mreiche4@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: RE: Follow Up

Date: Mon, 08 Dec 2008 16:47

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "" (yao@hatchery.vc)

cc: "Diane Miller" (dmiller24@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

cc: "Frank Calzonetti" (FCalzon@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

cc: "Krishna Shenai" (kshenai@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

cc: "Terribeth Rae Gordon" (TGordon@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

cc: "Vickie Lynn Kuntz" (VKuntz@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

File item: [Business Incubation Applicatio.pdf](#) (484014)

Yao,

It was a pleasure talking with you this afternoon. Attached to this email is our generic incubation client application. As mentioned earlier, we are willing to work with you on whether you would like a master lease for your operation and you have your spin-off rotate through your space or whether you

would like each company to have space as they need.

Final lease rates are determined by the type of space needed and the infrastructure investment needed. Based upon the opportunity, we lease typically for 2-3 years, but in certain situations are willing to consider shorter leases.

Vickie Kuntz is the co-op director for the college of Engineering.

Krishna Shenai is the chair of the electrical engineering and computer science department. I would be happy to coordinate either conference calls or visits with these individuals should you be interested.

TerriBeth Gordon-Moore is the Assoc. Dean of the College of Business Administration, and she could be another valuable source of information about the programs and students that may be of interest to you.

I have copied the above individuals on this email so that you have their contact information.

I look forward to continuing our conversation and learning more about your businesses and how we can work together.

Respectfully,
Megan Reichert-Kral, MBA,CBA
Director, Incubation
University of Toledo
2801 West Bancroft,
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-----Original Message-----

From: Ben Konop [mailto:BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us]
Sent: Monday, December 08, 2008 4:14 PM
To: yao@hatchery.vc
Cc: hussainblack@rgp.org; springer_rgp.org; msapara@toledoportauthority.org;
Reichert, Megan
Subject: Fwd: Follow Up

Yao--Good talking with you again and thanks for your interest in Lucas County, Ohio. I think we could be a strong fit for what you are looking for. To summarize:

1) I will arrange a conference call this week with ERIC WALKER who is the head of our LUCAS COUNTY WORKFORCE DEPARTMENT. He can give you and overview of the workforce in general that would be available to your company and training programs via the state for your newly hired workforce.

2) MATT SAPARA of the LCIC will provide you information on the average wages earned by profession in Lucas County. Matt will also provide more detail on what incentive programs via the State, County, and City are available for you specifically. I would be happy to arrange a call on that.

3) TASHA HUSSEIN BLACK and LEE SPRINGER from the RGP will follow up with you on the SEED program as well as the property location issues we discussed.

4) MEGAN RIECHERT from THE UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO, along with my office, will coordinate calls between you and representatives from the Business School and Engineering School to discuss the talent pool available for your businesses. Megan will also give you more information on the availability of physical space at the UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO INCUBATOR.

Please let me know if I have missed anything. I will follow up shortly with all parties to see how we are progressing.

LET'S MAKE THIS WORK!

Best regards,

Ben

PS. Yao's email is yao@hatchery.vc not hatchery.com...my mistake the first time.

From: "Ronald Randall" (rrandal@pop3.utoledo.edu)

Subject: LCIC

Date: Mon, 15 Dec 2008 16:01

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

Commissioner Konop,

A letter of mine on the LCIC and the conveyance-fee proposal of former UT President Dan Johnson appeared in the December 10 issue of the Blade. In case you missed it, I thought that you would be interested in seeing it.

Here is the link and the letter follows.

<http://www.toledoblade.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20081210/OPINION03/812100371>

Ron Randall

Don't lose control of conveyance fee

The recommendation of former University of Toledo President Dan Johnson to earmark approximately \$800,000 annually of public money for the Lucas County Improvement Corporation seems an odd response to an organization that many people, including Lucas County Commissioner Ben Konop, regard as performing poorly. Not surprisingly, the proposal is popular among most members of the LCIC board.

A \$1 increase in the county's conveyance fee, currently at \$3 for each \$1,000 of property sold, would produce the estimated \$800,000, according to proponents of the proposal.

Under the proposal, the county commissioners would have no role in allocating this \$800,000 at budget time each year. The money would automatically go to LCIC regardless of its performance. Even if commissioners thought other agencies with exemplary records of

performance could provide services more needed by the residents of the county, LCIC would get the money.

This proposal is not good governmental policy. We elect county commissioners to make important budget decisions. This way, the voters can hold the commissioners accountable when things go badly. But how can we hold the commissioners or anybody accountable, when a private, nonprofit organization automatically gets \$800,000 of the public's money and spends it poorly?

If commissioners intend to increase the conveyance fee, they also should maintain control over it.

Ronald Randall

Queenswood Boulevard

From: "Jeff Knight" (jeffrey.knight@utoledo.edu)

Subject: Re: Exam

Date: Tue, 16 Dec 2008 01:01

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

Hey, I heard the college tuition program/idea of yours on the news ... Im a big fan of the idea (esp. tying it to a 4-day work week), I leave for winter break in a few days, but if there's anything you need research-wise let me know ... this is right up my alley.

Enjoyed the exam questions by the way....

Best,

Jeff

From: "Jacobs, D'Naie" (djacobs@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: Toledo-Regional Economic Development - Jan. 12

Date: Wed, 17 Dec 2008 10:28

To: "Brian Kaiser" (BKaiser@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

cc: "Connie Taylor" (CTaylor@co.lucas.oh.us)

cc: "Gabrielle Seay" (GSeay@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Mike Beazley" (MBeazley@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Pete Gerken" (PGerken@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Tina Skeldon Wozniak" (TWozniak@co.lucas.oh.us)

cc: "" (mluetke@co.lucas.oh.us)

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**Join us for a Community
Forum for
Toledo-Regional Economic Development**

Please join us in an expanded dialogue of the 1) “Toledo-Regional Economic Plan” and connections to the Ohio Department of Development’s Strategic Plan; 2) the overall

economic development service system; and 3) gathering resources and creating action plans around our clusters of development in our region.

You are cordially invited to attend

**Toledo-Regional
Economic Forum**

Monday, January 12,

2009

8 a.m. - 11

a.m. (Continental Breakfast 7:30 a.m.)

The University of Toledo - Hilton
Ballroom

Please R.S.V.P. by Monday, Jan.
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Directions online at: <http://hsc.utoledo.edu/dana/hilton.html>

From: "Barton, Jeffrey Alan" (jbarton5@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: UT Scholarships

Date: Fri, 19 Dec 2008 12:15

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

File item: [image001.gif](#) (4104)

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Ben,

Sorry that it has taken me so long to get this information to you. Attached are two documents that outline the two scholarships (Blue-Gold, and Ohio Can! Go to College) that the University of Toledo is supporting.

The Blue Gold (or Toledo Guarantee) scholarship was recently expanded to include the 21 largest school districts in Ohio. For Lucas county this includes Toledo Public and Washington local. Each high school senior in those school districts who have a 3.0 GPA or higher and qualify for a Pell grant will be able to attend the University of Toledo Tuition free.

You had asked me about the qualifications of Pell grants and this is how it was explained to me. Each student's circumstance is different and

the decision to grant a Pell grant is based on each individual circumstance and the overall need. For example: a family that has a house hold income of \$60,000 and has five high school level kids may qualify for a Pell grant because the financial need for education is high. However, a family who has a household income of \$30,000 but runs a business that is worth \$250,000 probably would not qualify. So each circumstance is different and the qualifiers vary. The University does not get involved in who qualifies or not. In order to qualify for a Blue Gold scholarship you must first show approval of a Pell grant. A Pell grant is required. The average Pell grant is around \$3,000 to \$4,000 annually.

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The University of Toledo has a vested interest in graduating more students, particularly those who live in Ohio. That is why we are investing so much into the Blue Gold and Ohio Can! Go to College scholarships. The Blue Gold scholarship will begin with its first students under this scholarship in Fall 2009. The First Ohio Can! Go to College scholarships will be made available in Fall 2010. The University Admissions Dept. is forecasting 338 entering freshman will come into UT next fall under the new Blue Gold Scholarship. The average cost per student that the University expects to honor in scholarships is \$4,000 per student. Next fall the University is anticipating committing over \$1,300,000 in new Scholarships under this Blue Gold program. The cost of tuition for one year at UT is currently at around \$8,000.

As you and I spoke we both agree that Ohio's economy is directly related to the education of its residents. With 80% of new job growth requiring some sort of advanced education degree these two scholarship programs are designed to turn things around in Ohio and will give the best and brightest students a reason to remain in Ohio and be a part of the economic turnaround.

I would like the opportunity to speak to you further about this on how the county could support these programs, and particularly the Ohio Can! Go to College scholarships in an effort to expand scholarships to all Lucas Co. residents.

I look forward to speaking to you soon.

Jeff.

<p>The University of Toledo Mail Stop 318 2801 W Bancroft Toledo, OH 43606-3390</p>	<p>Jeff Barton Director of Development, OCAN Institutional Advancement jeffrey.barton@utoledo.edu</p> <p>Office Phone: 419-530-5413 Office Fax: 419-530-4340</p>
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Dear
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I
am writing to offer you an opportunity to participate in the **University of Toledo's Paralegal Internship Program**. The Internship provides a convenient way to aid in the education of local paralegal students at no cost to your office. Paralegal students are currently being placed for Spring Semester Internship – which begins January 12th. Students must complete 180 hours of law-related work experience over the 15 week semester.

The
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The
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Students

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Sincerely
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Date: Mon, 22 Dec 2008 15:26

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

To: "Robert Tucker" (rtucker@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Robert,

Here is Commissioner Konop's email re his request for an externship. Please contact asap and work out your hours. Also email him your resume and contact info. After you are set up, file a PSEC application so we can get you cleared to register. Be sure to put down the credit hours.

Thanks,

JK

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Sent: Monday, December 22, 2008 12:05 PM

To: Klein, James M.

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Jim- Yes...that sounds great. The program we need to get going on is the idea I discussed recently regarding creating a college scholarship fund of 70 million dollars (through a bond issuance) by reducing expenditures on utilities, software, etc... and privatizing EMS. The Blade story and Op Ed are below. Would be great if I could get Robert started on this ASAP... a lot of ground to cover. Thanks! Ben

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Subject: social network analysis

Date: Fri, 09 Jan 2009 11:44

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

cc: "Gabrielle Seay" (GSeay@co.lucas.oh.us)

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Best,

Paula
Ross

Research
Associate

University of Toledo
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From: "Ross, Paula" (pross2@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: RE: social network analysis

Date: Fri, 09 Jan 2009 15:36

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

Thanks, Ben.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ben Konop [mailto:BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us]
Sent: Friday, January 09, 2009 12:13 PM
To: Ross, Paula
Cc: Gabrielle Seay
Subject: Re: social network analysis

Hi Paula- I will fill it out monday morning. Sorry for the delay. All the best to you and yours for 09. Ben -----Original Message-----

From: "Ross, Paula"
To: Ben Konop
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Sent: 1/9/2009 11:44:48 AM
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University of Toledo Urban Affairs Center

From: "Ben Konop"
To:
Sent: Tuesday, December 16, 2008 8:40 AM
Subject: Re: Exam

Jeff- thanks for the offer for research. I will be following up on that.
Ben

-----Original Message-----

From: "Jeff Knight"
To: Ben Konop

Sent: 12/16/2008 1:01:11 AM
Subject: Re: Exam

Hey, I heard the college tuition program/idea of yours on the news ... Im a big fan of the idea (esp. tying it to a 4-day work week), I leave for winter break in a few days, but if there's anything you need research-wise let me know ... this is right up my alley.

Enjoyed the exam questions by the way....

Best,

Jeff

From: "Allen, Peggy" (PAllen@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject:

Date: Fri, 16 Jan 2009 18:30

To: "Kristian Brown" (Kristian.Brown@abc.com)

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To: "" (ejross@buckeye-express.com)

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From: "Konop, Benjamin" (bkonop@UTNet.UToledo.Edu)

Subject: FW: free press

Date: Wed, 21 Jan 2009 22:39

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

My proposal to provide a living wage to every worker whose employer receives a contract, loan, or tax incentive from Lucas County has gotten a lot of people talking this week. And, unfortunately, there has been some fear mongering about my proposal, especially from my critics on the far right wing of the local Republican Party establishment.

So, let's talk first about what this proposal won't do: this resolution won't affect those who chose not to do business with Lucas County; it won't apply to small, family businesses; and, it won't apply to seasonal employees, temporary employees, or interns.

What my living wage proposal will do, however, is ensure that those larger companies who come to the taxpayers for a contract or tax break pay their workers a reasonable wage -- about \$8.50/hour-- or a little over one dollar more than the current federal minimum wage. It's not an outrageous demand. In fact, I wish today's economic climate allowed us to set the wage at an even higher rate. However, in the midst of the deep Bush recession, I felt the \$8.50/hour was a prudent baseline to help lift people out of poverty.

My proposal will also mandate that an employer offer health insurance coverage to its workers at no more than 15% of the workers monthly wage. That's the right thing to do from a moral and fiscal perspective.

The economics of the living wage proposal are simple. If Lucas County awards a contract and the employer pays poverty-level wages without health care, that worker will simply turn to other public assistance, like food stamps, Medicaid, and other benefits just to survive. Taxpayers will get cheap labor on the front-end, but will pay for an expensive and time-consuming bureaucracy on the back-end just to keep this employee and their family at a minimum standard of living.

On the other hand, if Lucas County requires that same employer to pay a

living wage to its workers and provide a health care option, taxpayers will get the same amount of labor without having to subsidize all the additional welfare costs for the worker and their family. Even better, because this worker will be able to support their family on this wage, they'll be able to go out and spend a little more, contributing to an economy that desperately needs spending activity right now.

But even more so than the solid economic arguments, there's a powerful moral argument to be made for a living wage. More than a century ago, the Catholic Church issued a papal encyclical calling for a living wage. People of all faiths recognize the value of work and preach a message of economic justice for all.

Over 40 years ago, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. said that, "a true revolution of values will soon look uneasily on the glaring contrast of poverty and wealth." Since Dr. King spoke those words, the gap between the rich and poor has grown. In fact, of all the Bush administration failures, perhaps the greatest is that the wage gap between the rich and the poor grew to record levels in the last eight years. Today, our country and, in particular, our region face a deepening economic recession that threatens to further drive apart those with plenty and those without.

Unfortunately, in many ways, the economic crisis we are in right now is the product of a national attitude that's valued easy wealth over hard work. But those times are quickly coming to an end. The residents of Toledo and Lucas County are not afraid to roll up their sleeves and get to work, but it's up to all of us to ensure that their work is truly valued. If government, on behalf of working families, does not step up and guarantee that taxpayer dollars aren't spent on poverty-level wages, who will?

From: "Rowe, Susan " (susan.rowe@utoledo.edu)

Subject: Networking event

Date: Thu, 22 Jan 2009 09:23

To: "Ben Konop" (BKonop@co.lucas.oh.us)

Ben,

It was a pleasure talking to you last evening. Again, if you ever have any leads for manufacturing business that could utilize a mechanical engineering technology or electrical engineering technology student, please forward them to me. I place civil engineering and engineering technology students (construction, computer science, mechanical and electrical) in co-op positions throughout the country but I am always looking for local companies to support our program, as many of our students want to stay in the Toledo area. In this economy, it is my mechanical and electrical engineering technology students who seem to be hit the hardest.

Thanks in advance for any help you might be able to bring my way.

Best regards,

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Just remember, you can do anything you set
your mind to, but it takes action, perseverance, and facing your fears.

-- Gillian Anderson

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Subject: UT Co-op Opportunities with Lucas County

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It was nice speaking with you again last night at Tech Connect about The University of Toledo, College of Engineering Co-op program. You mentioned that there might be an opportunity for one of our Computer Science and Engineering students to work with the county's IT department to build a website. I would be glad to speak with you and your staff about the Co-op program to see if we could place a student within that organization. Let me know if you are interested in speaking in more detail about this and we can set up an appointment.

Thank you.

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