

Board Digest

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Regular Meeting May 19, 2008

Chancellor's Report

Chancellor Tim Meyer reported the following items:

- Advised by mathematics faculty member Brian Shaw, the Orchard Ridge Math Club recently placed third in Michigan competition.
- Forensics team member Ernesto Chavez tied for first, and won a gold medal in a national community college forensics tournament in April.
- The Orchard Ridge Honors Convocation is scheduled for May 29.
- Ten persons participated in a new student orientation held recently at Royal Oak/Southfield.
- Two hundred and fifty high school students and parents attended a campus open house at Royal Oak, May 7.
- One hundred high school students participated in Tech Prep Day at the Royal Oak Campus, May 9.
- Noted photographer Steven Gross spoke at the Royal Oak Campus, May 15. Vice chancellor Clarence Brantley introduced new DO/PC Public Safety Administrative Specialist Tameka McClellan. President Pat Dolly introduced new Auburn Hills Math Department Secretary Kelly Taylor.

Academic and Student Affairs

Orchard Ridge Phi Theta Kappa representative Vani Gudeti provided an overview of Student Life activities across the college this spring. Events will include a Karaoke Night, Midweek Movies in May and June, bowling at Plum Hollow and a writer's workshop in May. Ms. Gudeti also announced that the OCC women's softball team is ranked eighth in the nation, and will compete in the National Junior College Athletic Association Division II tournament in Bloomington, Illinois. The men's golf team will compete in the NJCAA Division II tournament in Phoenix, Arizona.

Retiring Website and Call Center Coordinator Judi Yerkes was presented a certificate and gift by the board.

College Resources

The following faculty appointments were approved: Preetha Ravikumar, CIS (HL); Valerie Emanoil, history (HL); Gina Mandas, Spanish (HL); Cheryl Neely, sociology (RO/SF). The temporary faculty appointment of Julie Gunkelman, mathematics (OR) was also approved. The 2008-09 General Fund Budget was approved.

Consent Agenda – Maintenance Projects

The board approved the following items via consent agenda procedure: replacement of asphalt-paved service road and parking areas surrounding the Auburn Hills Campus Power House, \$259,700; replacement of the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system at Highland Lakes

Campus' Woodland Hall, associated interior renovations, \$3,426,400; replacement of lighting and installation of second floor carpeting, Royal Oak Campus Atrium, \$219,400.

The monthly report on the progress of millage-funded renovation projects was presented.

Consent Agenda – Contracts and Purchases

The following contracts and purchases were also approved via consent agenda procedure: a contract with the low bidder, Dell, Inc., to provide computer system symantec ghost and antivirus maintenance for \$25,875; replacement carpeting for buildings at the Orchard Ridge, Southfield, Royal Oak and Auburn Hills campuses from the low bidder, NBS for \$175,800; emergency elevator repairs at the Orchard Ridge Campus by Kone, Inc. for \$29,850.

Unfinished Business

- A board resolution was approved authorizing Pizza Hut, Inc. to operate a kiosk in the new Auburn Hills Campus Student Center.
- The vote on new board credit card procedures was tabled.
- The board authorized the payment of \$43,251 for OCC's annual dues to the Michigan Community College Association.
- Discussion of the CREST business plan was tabled.
- Vice Chancellor Brantley noted that an investment report has been prepared at the board's request.
- With information now available on the website, the board audit committee is official; the press release calling for volunteers will be redistributed.

New Business

- Trustee Abraham noted that the college is moving in the area of delivery of electronic information.
- Trustee Ritter distributed a handout on a model chancellor evaluation process and asked for a vote at next month's meeting.

Comments

Trustee Pam Davis stated that she was surprised to see an OCC ad on cable TV. She also asked Presidents Reif and Shadko about the recent open houses at their respective campuses. President Reif noted that at least 200 attended the program in the Royal Oak Auditorium, while many others stayed outside at the information tables. President Shadko estimated 150 participating students and parents at Orchard Ridge, noting that the event was well-organized and better attended than last year.

Trustee Anne Scott reported that the main topics at the recent MCCCA meeting at Montcalm Community College were "dual enrollments" and "baccalaureate degrees from community colleges".

The board entered Closed Session to discuss legal and real estate matters.

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