

Board Digest

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Regular Meeting July 21, 2008

Public Comments

Representatives of the classified bargaining unit expressed dissatisfaction with the state of contract negotiations; various part-time employees stated their reasons for opposing the Adecco transition. **Unfinished Business – Contract Services** (moved from the end of the agenda)

The board voted to cease the outsourcing of PASS specialists, IR staff and tutors to Adecco. All future outsourcing will require board approval.

Chancellor's Report

Chancellor Tim Meyer indicated that his space on the agenda will be used in the future to provide regular, in-depth reports to the trustees on such topics as academic affairs, student affairs, business and finance matters, health and safety matters and human resources management issues as they relate to the master plan. One such report on 10-year enrollment trends will be presented by Interim Vice Chancellor Cathey Maze this evening.

President Jackie Shadko introduced two new Orchard Ridge faculty members; Rasheeda Wright, counselor, and Cathy Allen, English faculty.

President Gordon May introduced new Highland Lakes history faculty member, Dr. Valerie Emanoil. Academic and Student Affairs

Interim Vice Chancellor Cathey Maze presented a report showing duplicated and unduplicated headcounts, over the past 10 years. Overall, OCC enrollments, like those of the other community colleges in the region (except for the Wayne County Community College District), have remained flat, although OCC students have been registering for more credits.

College Resources

The faculty appointment of Robert Long, paralegal program (OR) was approved, as were the temporary faculty appointments of John Corbin, humanities (AH) and Peter Schade, graphic design (OR). The management staff appointments of Dennis Choiniere, interim manager of campus academic services (RO) and Robert Spann, interim manager of campus academic services (OR) were approved, as was the temporary appointment of Phillip Crockett, program manager, economic and workforce development (AH).

Consent Agenda – Maintenance Projects

The following two items were approved via consent agenda procedure; master planning project for Auburn Hills Buildings H, J, K, \$50,000; maintenance project for the Highland Lakes Campus Athletic Field parking lot. \$180.500.

Maintenance Projects

Extensive renovations and an expansion of the Southfield campus were approved for \$25,154,900. The board also passed a motion that it receive quarterly updates on the progress of the Southfield project, and that employee input be sought in design matters.

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

Consent Agenda – Contracts and Purchases

The following contracts were approved via consent agenda procedure; overhaul of the Trane Chillers at the Highland Lakes Campus, \$75,000; purchase of ultrasound equipment for the Southfield Campus from

Philips Medical Systems for \$48,923; training and facilitation services from DASI Solutions at a rate of \$1,200 per day through June 30, 2009; training and facilitation services from Integral Consulting, at \$795 per day through June 30, 2009; training and facilitation services from ProTech Professional Services at \$1,500 per day through June 30, 2009; training services from the Ralph Nichols Group, Inc. for \$30,000 through June 30, 2009; training and facilitation services from Technigraphics, Inc. at \$1,350 per day through June 30, 2009.

Unfinished Business

The revision to Board Policy 1.5.2, "Order of Business", as lodged at the June meeting, was approved. The board approved the appointments of four community members who have volunteered to serve on the Board Audit Subcommittee.

A motion to create a three-member committee to recommend a leadership assessment tool for evaluating the chancellor was approved. The committee will be composed of Trustees Abraham, Scott and Davis. The Committees Policy proposal was referred back to the administration for further development.

A motion to increase the travel allowance from \$3,000 to \$5,400 for Trustee Scott's trip to China with the American Association of Community Colleges delegation was approved.

A motion was passed to accept the Higher Learning Commission Report.

A motion was passed directing the chancellor to develop an action plan for addressing the concerns raised in the Higher Learning Commission Report for the August board meeting.

Reports

Trustee Scott noted that the Annual OCC Foundation Golf for Scholarships fundraiser is scheduled at Pine Knob Golf Course for August 22. Ms. Scott also distributed a handout on a Florida trend to make community colleges four-year schools.

Trustee Davis thanked Chief Human Resources Officer Cathy Rush for the work done on the Adecco transition, and stated that she did not know how she was going to vote before the board meeting, but that the personal stories had moved her.

Faculty Association President Mary Ston thanked the board for retaining these academic personnel, "who are an important part of the teaching program", as OCC employees.

The board voted to enter closed session to discuss a lawsuit.

For further information on this session, contact College Communications (248) 341-2122.