

Board Digest

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Public Comments

The following retirees were presented with certificates of thanks and gifts by the board of trustees: Jackie Boughner (DO); Regina Busbee (DO); Sandy Cerny (AH); Nadine Cork (DO); Bonnie George (AH); Danny Greig (OR); Jack Inch (OR); Robert Ladd (AH); Sue Novak (RO – not present); Robert Powell (AH); Louis Pyykkonen (RO); Richard Smith (OR); John Vavrek (RO/SF); Beverly Watkins (AH); Cathy Watkins (AH); Chuck Young (OR); and Marie Vavrek (RO/SF).

Chancellor's Report

Chancellor Meyer offered congratulations and thanks to the community, the board and the college's employees for the successful passage of the millage renewal on August 3. He also extended special thanks to George Cartsonis, Pam Dorris and Mary Anne Cotton for their efforts.

On behalf of the board, Chair Shirley Bryant expressed special thanks to Chancellor Meyer on behalf of the board for the leadership he provided in the millage campaign.

Chancellor Meyer noted the large number of personnel recommendations on this month's agenda and thanked Chief Human Resources Officer Cathy Rush and college staff for their efforts in filling employee vacancies to meet the college's obligations for the fall semester. The chancellor also noted that Interim Chief Strategic Development Officer and Dean of Economic and Workforce Development Sharon Miller will receive the National Council for Continuing Education & Training's Great Lakes Regional Leadership Award in Miami, October 1.

Vice Chancellor Clarence Brantley provided the board with an overview of the college's current Whistleblower practices. He was advised by the board that these procedures should be more publicized. President Gordon May introduced new Highland Lakes biology faculty member Dr. Cheryl Aretha. President Jacqueline Shadko introduced new Orchard Ridge Coordinator of Student Development Jahquan Hawkins

Interim Chief Strategic Development Officer and Dean of Economic and Workforce Development Sharon Miller outlined recent developments in the Michigan New Jobs Training Program, an economic development initiative that enables Michigan Community Colleges to help finance the training of new employees at expanding Michigan companies. Nearly 30 incentive packages for businesses coming to Michigan were provided, creating 10,000 new jobs in fields such as aerospace, solar power and wind power.

College Resources

The faculty appointments of Evelyn Chan, business (AH); Linda Britton, mathematics (AH); Cheryl Decker, social & behavioral science (AH); Michelle Samtouni, social & behavioral science (AH); Joseph Lowry, physics (OR); and David West, biology (RO/SF) were approved. The temporary faculty appointment of Sarah Hammond, physical sciences (OR) was also approved.

The annual contract appointments of the following faculty members were approved: Victoria Nikiforov, English (AH); Joann Manetta-Biehl, Spanish (AH); Sandra Walker, mathematics (AH); Mary Jo Burchart, biology (AH); Brian Mazur, business (HL); Christine Walsh, counseling (HL); Thomas Pryor, English (HL); Terry Ann Weideman, exercise leadership (HL); Judy Hayes, medical assisting(HL); Dave Nosanchuk, mathematics (HL); Angelika Maly, nursing (HL); Nina Barkell, nursing (HL); Ayesha Siddiqui, biology (HL); David Knipper, accounting (OR); Bryan Helwig, CIS (OR); Gail Piepenburg, ceramics (OR); Peter Schade, Graphics (OR); Dennis North, theater (OR); Joseph Mantey, economics

(OR); Bryan Kingry, sociology (OR); Glenn Moore, business (RO/SF); Ian Leath, CIS (OR/SF); Nicole Castle-Kelly, English (RO/SF); Ryan Dillaha, English (RO/SF); Quincy Norwood, English (RO/SF); Jamie Hilu, ESL (RO/SF); Alan Paulson, ceramics (RO/SF); Laura Kendall, film (RO/SF); Bonnie Manza, ASC (RO/SF); Stacy Charlesbois, librarian (RO/SF); and Nancy VanDeGrift, mathematics (RO/SF). The non-exempt administrative staff interim appointment of William Isanhart, interim dean, academic & student services (AH) was approved as was the full-time classified appointment of Kathleen Dell, student services specialist (AH), and the part-time classified appointments of Steven Szokola, financial aid specialist (AH); Scott Seppala, BIS/CIS paraprofessional (RO); Susan Barnes, photography paraprofessional (RO); Melvinia Ford, faculty office secretary (SF); Judith Portwood, library technician (SF).

Consent Agenda – Maintenance Projects

The following two items were removed from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately: an increase to the cost of the construction project to enhance ADA accessibility to the Royal Oak Johnson Theater stage - \$19,930. A construction project to demolish walls, modify the ventilation system, add more electrical circuits and rework the ceiling and carpeting for the conversion of Royal Oak Campus Rooms C114 and C114a into a single teaching lab - \$49,900.

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

Consent Agenda – Contracts and Purchases

The following two items were removed from the consent agenda and voted on separately: a three-year agreement with Industrial Cleaning Supply of Waterford for chemical supplies, hard goods and maintenance and repair services at an annual cost of \$200,000. Purchase of technology enhanced classroom equipment and installation services at an annual cost of \$550,000 from National Satellite of Troy, Michigan.

The following two items were approved via Consent Agenda procedure: purchase and installation of furnishings for the Southfield Campus from Interior Environments of Southfield, Michigan for \$168,620; 324 separate affiliation agreements with local agencies to provide on-site learning experiences for students in the nursing, health promotion, medical sonography, emergency medical technology, exercise science, healthcare administration, hospital pharmacy, massage therapy, medical assisting, mental health/social work, radiologic technology, respiratory therapy and surgical technology programs.

New Business

Consideration of the cabinet compensation equity proposal was postponed.

Comments

Trustee Sandra Ritter noted that Trustee Anne Scott's picture was featured in a recent edition of *Trustee Quarterly*.

Trustee Pamala Davis thanked the following individuals and organizations for their assistance in passing the millage: *Oakland Press* Editorial Page Editor Allan Adler; SOCC Treasurer Pat McQueen; Oakland County Democratic Party Chair Michael McGuiness; AFSCME; OCCFA; Supporters of OCC; the Chancellor's Cabinet and Chancellor Meyer. Ms. Davis also noted the presence in the audience of Lilly Arbor and her father, Peter, who are observing the working of all municipal bodies in Oakland County. Chair Shirley Bryant noted that the board will engage with community college expert George Potter to help define a chancellor evaluation system.

Trustee Anne Scott noted that Washtenaw Community College Trustee David Rutledge is running for the state senate. Should he be elected, she said, he will be a powerful voice for community colleges in the legislature.

Orchard Ridge faculty member Gerald Faye drew the board's attention to the contributions in manpower and financial resources made available to the millage campaign by the Faculty Association.

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