

BOARD DIGEST

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Chancellor's Report

Chancellor Tim Meyer noted it was a busy summer and fall, and announced the following:

- Dokka, the Norwegian-based manufacturer of wind turbine equipment and other high-tech accessories, held an open house at its new plant in Auburn Hills on August 24 in which Dr. Meyer, County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, the chairman of the Dokka's owners, the global Würth Group, Dokka President Marc Strandquist, and other notables participated. OCC was instrumental in bringing Dokka to Michigan via its work with the Michigan New Jobs Training program. Through a \$1 million agreement, OCC will train 76 new Dokka employees over the next seven years.
- OCC negotiated a lease with the City of Royal Oak to rent the Royal Oak Campus Parking Structure for the duration of the Arts, Beats & Eats event. Preliminary estimates point to \$43,000 in revenue for the college from the arrangement.
- Enrollment figures for the fall, 2011 semester show an all-time fall term high of 29,984, although Student Credit Hours and average credits per student dipped slightly.
- Corrections are currently being made to the masonry at District Office, along with cost-effective new plantings which will significantly lower water consumption and vegetation maintenance costs.
- The 2011 "Golf for Scholarships" outing was an overwhelming success, garnering an all-time high of \$40,000 in receipts.
- A Channel 7 video of firefighting exercises for the Dearborn Fire Department held at CREST was shown. A number of political figures participated, including U.S. Congressman John Dingell.
- OCC hosted the Third Annual Garden Party Fundraiser founded by philanthropist Sydney Ross and his wife, Elizabeth, on June 12. The OCC Culinary Studies Institute and The Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan each received \$35,000 checks from the event's proceeds.

Vice Chancellor Richard Holcomb introduced new employees Erin Smith, OR library resources technician, and Anita Jursek, IR interviewer.

Academic Affairs

College Academic Senate Chair Mary Ann McGee announced that the first meeting of the new academic year will convene this week. Along with its regular annual workload, the Senate will focus on development of the College Academic Master Plan, implementation of findings of the ReDesign process, renovation of the Liberal Arts curriculum, and development of a new accreditation model.

Royal Oak Campus Student Representative to the Board Marcia Dinkins provided the trustees with a printed Student Life Report, as well as an overview of recent and upcoming events including Welcome Back Week, celebrated on all campuses, college-wide 9/11 ceremonies, and a voter registration drive at Highland Lakes. Vice Chancellor Richard Holcomb presented a Profile of Fall 2010 Students containing information on numbers of new students, first time in any college students (FTIACs), persistence, FTIAC characteristics, race/ethnicity, data, educational goals, placement testing in English and math, and trends in financial aid.

College Resources

The temporary (full-time) faculty appointment of Mary Stack, counseling (RO/SF) was approved. The temporary (full-time) appointment of Tahir Khan, academic and student services dean (AH) was announced, as were the

classified appointments of Dawn Robinson, student services specialist (DO), Michelle Rodgers, student services specialist (DO) and Baiba Ejups, ACCESS secretary (HL).

Consent Calendar – Maintenance Projects

The following item was approved via consent calendar procedure: a \$79,000 construction contract to resolve water flow issues, and improve the road surface at the culvert for the Minnow Drain at the Orchard Ridge Campus.

A deferred maintenance/interior renovation contract for the Orchard Ridge Campus Plaza and Building J was approved in the amount of \$6,195,300.

A pre-construction services contract to investigate assessment of the exterior porcelain panels at the Royal Oak Campus and to develop a replacement plan was approved for \$100,000.

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

Consent Calendar - Contracts and Purchases

The following items were approved via Consent Calendar procedure: purchase of a college-wide software license package from Studica to provide the ADI Systems Solution Pack for use through December 2012, for \$51,355; funding for a U.S. Department of Labor Community-Based Job Training Program to establish a Center of Expertise in Nanotechnology; and a Michigan New Jobs Training Program to train new employees at Dokka Fasteners, totaling \$72,888.

A one-year maintenance agreement and phone equipment purchases from the low bidder, Delta Network Services of Auburn Hills, was approved for \$235,787.

New Business

A motion was passed to set a special meeting of the board of trustees within the next 30 days to review the chancellor's contract.

Comments

Trustee Ritter and Chair Kuhn complimented Trustee Bryant on the quality of her Michigan Community College Association reports.

Trustee Zimmerman noted that the Board Scholarship Fund has been inactive, and asked if it should be continued. Secretary Davis requested copies of the Audit Committee's minutes over the past year for the purpose of placement on the board agenda; Ms. Davis also asked for the convening of a special board meeting to review and update bylaws.

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The board entered closed session to receive an update on labor negotiations.

For further information on this session, contact College Communications 248.341.2122.