

BOARD DIGEST

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Public Comments

Student Shari Kendrick discussed her difficulties with programming options.

Southfield Campus Academic Support Coordinator Wanda Harris outlined concerns associated with the ACCESS program.

Chancellor's Comments

Chancellor Meyer welcomed David Mathews to the presidency of the Auburn Hills Campus and complimented Dr. Gordon May for assuming the additional role of Interim President at that campus.

The Chancellor noted the recent passage of PA 495, which permits Michigan community colleges to offer bachelor's degrees in certain fields, a program that has proved successful in 21 other states. Dr. Meyer stated that he and his colleagues worked hard to ensure passage of the bill which, among other things, provides access to baccalaureate degrees at community colleges.

Orchard Ridge Campus President Jacqueline Shadko outlined the Oakland Accelerated College Experience (ACE) agreement between OCC and the Oakland Intermediate School District. ACE is a grade 11-13 program targeting college-ready students who fall into defined at-risk categories. Students take high school classes at their home high schools, but college-level classes at the various OCC campuses.

Vice Chancellor Clarence Brantley introduced new Public Safety Officers Jacob Patchett and Steven Snell. Academic and Student Affairs

College Academic Senate Chair Shawn Dry reported the senate has begun its work updating the curriculum, reviewing standing academic policy and application of Survey of Student Engagement data.

Student Representative Jasmine Hardy, President of the RO/SF chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, presented an overview of recent and upcoming Student LIFE events, including Welcome Week celebrations at all campuses, the Martin Luther King, Jr., Convocation at Orchard Ridge on January 30, the February 7 Blood Drive at Highland Lakes, HIV testing at Royal Oak in December, and the Volunteer Day of Service at Southfield on Martin Luther King Jr., Day, January 21.

Chancellor Meyer continued his monthly discussion of issues facing the college with a presentation titled "Directing Resources to Student Learning – Part 1." To begin his presentation, Dr. Meyer noted that "Resources Focused on Student Learning" is the fourth of OCC's Strategic Objectives. Among the topics he covered were: a definition of "strategic" for OCC; "sustainability" – the balancing of revenue and expenses; the alignment of Financial Resources to Student Success" and "How is OCC Doing?"

Using a series of charts Dr. Meyer demonstrated trends in property tax, state appropriations and tuition/fee revenues at OCC. Another contrasted the decline in property tax revenue vs. the rise in student credit hours. Finally, charts showed OCC academic expenditures in the areas of college readiness, as well as the expenditures per FYEs by OCC and three other comparable community colleges, Grand Rapids, Lansing and Macomb. In conclusion Dr. Meyer stated that (1) OCC provides cost effective education, (2) revenues will remain significantly down and (3) there is a need to institute operational/academic efficiencies in order to continue providing high-quality education to the maximum number of students.

College Resources

The following staff appointments were announced: David Mathews, President (AH); Kevin Batt, printing specialist (AH); Jacob Patchett, public safety officer (AH); Steven Snell, public safety officer (AH); Charles Flagg, interim executive director, Information Technologies (CW); Thomas Boozer, interim academic dean (HL); Lori Pryzmusinsk,

associate dean, nursing and health (HL); Dennis Choiniere, associate academic dean, college readiness (OR); Thomas Hendricks, associate academic dean, humanities/art and design (OR); Robert Spann, dean of campus affairs (OR); Deborah Bayer, academic dean, public services and CREST (AH); and Tanya McFadden, director of enrollment services (SF).

The following faculty appointments were also approved: Susan Snyder, nursing faculty (HL) and Elizabeth Rodzek, full-time temporary nursing faculty (HL).

Retiring Highland Lakes Student Services Coordinator Velma Jones accepted a certificate of appreciation from the board.

The first reading of the Audit Committee Review Charter was passed.

The college's construction manager, the Auch Company, was given authority to enter into a construction contract to replace the HVAC equipment in Building F, Auburn Hills Campus, for the amount of \$3,634,100.

The purchase of COMPASS placement tests and scoring sheets from ACT for \$54,450 was approved.

The purchase order of Interim Chief Human Resources Officer Bill MacQueen was extended through December 31, 2013.

Unfinished Business

The second reading of revisions to the foreword 0.0.2 EEO Policy, 1.7.5 Enforcement of Policies, 2.5.1 Personnel Dispute Resolution, 2.5.2 Personnel Complaint Procedure, 2.6.1 Discrimination Prohibition, 2.6.8 Definitions, 2.6.3 Compliance, 2.6.5 Disability Accommodation, 2.6.6 Complaint Procedure, and 2.6.7 Retaliation was approved. A one-year membership for OCC trustees in the Association of Governing Boards was approved.

Comments

Trustees Davis and Bryant welcomed new Trustee Christine O'Sullivan on behalf of the board.

Trustee Davis expressed her admiration of the renovations to the Orchard Ridge Student Center.

Trustee Sullivan indicated he was impressed with an article, "Educators Train for Response in Shooter Scenario" that appeared in the January 21 edition of the Oakland Press, and comments by OCC Director of Public Safety Terry McCauley.

Trustee Ritter urged board members to participate in the webinars offered by ACCT.

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