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BOARD DIGEST

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Regular Meeting May 19, 2015

Public Comment

• Several individuals commented on items including the Orchard Ridge pool closing and the Womencenter.

Academic Senate Report

• The Academic Senate Chair remarked on shared governance.

Labor Organizations and Associations

• The OCCFA Chair commented on the proposed "hard cap" on healthcare benefits and the Womencenter closing.

Chancellor's Report

- The Chancellor stated the pool is closed due to safety issues and the cost to replace the pool is prohibitive given the College's limited resources. Additionally, Building H, which houses the pool, will be closed for safety reasons while the pool is being removed. Dr. Meyer noted infrastructure maintenance was not part of the 2010 millage renewal campaign.
- The Chancellor addressed the remarks by the Academic Senate Chair noting a traditional role of an academic Senate is academic matters and it is attended by faculty and those with academic responsibilities. Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Dr. Tim Sherwood noted the Senate committee structure meets the Higher Learning Commission's requirement for shared governance. The Chancellor also cited college-wide employee involvement in Community Assemblies, the budget process and the Educational Master Plan.
- Vice Chancellor for External Affairs Sharon Miller explained the closing of the Womencenter was not taken lightly by the Chancellor's Cabinet. However, closing the center resulted in over \$100,000 in savings and no employee layoffs. Additionally, the services provided are being reviewed and transitioned to other areas as appropriate.

Academic and Student Affairs

None

College Resources

- The <u>personnel monitoring report</u> was shared with the Board.
 - Under Business and Finance, the Board approved the following items:
 - o 2015-2016 tax levy of the College's operating millage
 - o 2015-2016 tuition rates
 - First reading of treasurer, investment and financial reserves Board policies
- The Board approved the following consent items:
 - o Corax Business Solutions for Economic & Workforce Development training
 - o ETAS, Inc., for Economic & Workforce Development training
 - o Decommission of the Orchard Ridge Campus pool
 - o Student Loan Default Aversion Services for student loan default management

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

- The Board approved the first reading of the Sexual Conduct Prohibition Board Policy and Procedure.
- The Board also approved and authorized OCC's Collective Bargaining Team members.

Board Member Reports and Comments

- Trustee Davis remarked on the changes to some of our long-standing programs.
- Trustee Bryant reported she represented the Board at the Higher Learning Commission meeting regarding accreditation for online programming and distance learning. Trustee Bryant also commented on the changes made.
- Trustee Kuhn inquired why the College is going from outsourcing the lawn cutting to have in-house staff perform the job. He was told we now have the staff available to do the work, so it is better a return on our investment.
- Trustee McCulloch commented on establishing a long-term policy on tuition and the value statements to be worked on this fall.
- Chair Sullivan thanked everyone for their patience and participation.

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