

**BOARD DIGEST** 

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### **Public Comment**

- Individuals from the Young Democrats commented on textbook costs.
- A community member commented on the College's Public Safety Advisory Board.

### **Academic Senate Report**

 Academic Senate Chair Shawn Dry provided an update on Senate's work, including the Michigan Transfer Agreement, distance learning, and student grade appeals. He also shared the group's recommendations on tuition policy.

## **Labor Organizations and Associations**

• Mary Ston introduced herself to the Board as the new OCCFA President.

# **Chancellor's Report**

- Dr. Meyer reported:
  - OCC is a finalist for a National Council on Marketing and Public Relations Paragon Award the Council's highest level of recognition. The award is for the College's implosion fundraising campaign for the Foundation.
- Vice Chancellor for External Affairs Sharon Miller reported on the Internationalization Task Force recommendation to create an international/global "endorsement or credential."
- Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs Cathey Maze and Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness
  Martin Orlowski presented an enrollment update along with Kelly Perez, Director of Academic
  Effectiveness. Several factors such as near full employment in the county, competition from other
  higher education institutions in our area and the shrinking pool K-12 students contributed to a greater
  decline in enrollment for the winter semester. Other community colleges are experiencing similar
  declines statewide.
- Dr. Tim Sherwood, Associate Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, introduced Tonya Thomas, the new instructional designer in Instructional Technology.

### **Academic and Student Affairs**

- Dr. Cynthia Roman introduced Sally Saleem, the new Highland Lakes Campus student representative, whose update included:
  - Highland Lakes Dental Hygiene students providing exams for the community and the campus gift drive for families in need.
  - Orchard Ridge Forensic Team competed nationally and the campus held a Resource Fair during welcome week.
  - o Royal Oak and Southfield Campuses were hosting a workshop for caregivers.
- Dr. Cathey Maze, Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, provided an update on distance learning. She highlighted Kayla LeBlanc's leadership as the new Dean of Distance Learning. Dr. Maze also noted the

College is ahead of schedule in preparing to reapply for HLC Accreditation this fall as a result of the hard work of faculty and staff.

# **College Resources**

• Contracts for ETAS, Inc. and The Mathworks were approved for Economic and Workforce Development.

#### **Unfinished Business**

None

#### **New Business**

• Approval of the Audit Committee Charter and the first reading of the Tuition Policy were postponed.

## **Board Member Reports and Comments**

- Treasurer McCulloch inquired about the cost of textbooks and the Public Safety Advisory Board.
- Trustee Davis commended the students presenting before the Board.
- Trustee Kuhn asked for information on videotaping meetings and for a copy of Treasurer McCulloch's suggested changes to the Audit Committee Charter.
- Chair Sullivan congratulated Culinary for the outstanding holiday party. He also commented the Board workshops were illuminating, and the Bookstores are working proactively to address textbook costs.

For further information on this session, contact College Communications (248) 341-2020.