Auburn Hills Campus Community Assembly
Tuesday, November 5, 2013 – 4:00pm-5:00pm, G240
Minutes

Campus Administration Announcements, Updates, Community Relations

Campus President Gordon May welcomed 43 members of faculty and staff to the meeting and made the following points:

• **Release of College Brain Trust (CBT) Reports**
  Five more CBT reports are due to be released the week of November 11. They are:
  - Administrative Services Process Review (renamed from Administrative Services Redesign Review)
  - Fiscal Policies
  - Contract Education Workforce Development and CREST
  - Student Services
  - Assessment and Review of Athletics

• **Response to Concerns/Issues Arising from October 1 Community Assembly**
  - **Suggestion box** – This suggestion has been implemented. The box is located outside the Business Office in Building G.
  - **Seating in 3rd Floor D Hallway** – J. Ragle has requested 15 benches to be funded from next year’s budget through the Furniture and Equipment Request Process. If approved and all goes well, benches could be ordered as early as July 1, 2014, and in place around campus Fall of 2014.
  - **Events Flyers** – Acknowledged at the October 1 meeting: The need to publicize events by posting flyers where they catch students’ attention, the importance of keeping bulletin boards updated and maintained, the assistance we can all provide by removing any outdated postings, the benefit we will derive when campus social media sites, now being worked on, become available.
  - **Dead Zones on Some College Cell Phones Hinder Communication** – A signal repeater has been installed in the Shipping and Receiving area, which has boosted the signal for Sprint cell phones indoors in that area. In addition, a second repeater has been installed in the grounds garage area that has further improved communication on campus. A number of dead zones exist throughout campus due in part to building construction materials and equipment limitations.
  - **Signage**
    - Incorrect arrow has been removed from metal Placement Office sign as interim step to future remake.
    - Report specific needs to J. Ragle.
    - Google Maps not yet operational but coming soon for smart phone users – will assist students in navigating the campus and finding classrooms.
  - **Addition to Presentation List** – Request to add Economic and Workforce Development to the department presentation list has been honored.
Raider One Card – Some students continue to have difficulty acquiring Raider One cards needed to check out library books, make copies, and exercise other options available through the card. More staff/equipment are needed and/or more user friendly instructions/suggestions for online card application. (A. Zirpoli). Meeting Response: This is a matter to be explored with Gheretta Harris.

Post-Meeting Note: As an alternative to the costly addition of more staff and equipment, students who miss the in-person photo sessions at the beginning of each semester can submit their photo online. A self-photo taken with a cell phone works, and the online directions and instructional video at the Raider One/Get-Your-Card Website guides students in the process. Students can take their own photo with their cell phone, plug their phone into a computer using the UBS cord that came with the phone, save the photo and upload it at the Raider One Website to submit it. Assistance is available by phone at 248.232.4400 or by email at raideronecard@oaklandcc.edu (B. Green)

Communication
The request for board meetings to be streamed live and available to faculty and staff has been communicated upwards. Board discussion on this notion was initiated at the October 15 meeting. More board discussion and potential action to follow.

Minutes of Community Assembly Meetings – The suggestion to publish and post the Community Assembly minutes has been implemented for all sites. Minutes are accessible on InfoMart/Committees & Minutes.

Intramural/Extramural Sports – This matter cannot be addressed until restructuring has been completed.

No Smoking Policy – Concerns have been raised about the College’s no-smoking policy, especially relating to policy enforcement. The campus presidents plan to meet with public Safety Director Terry McCauley on this issue.

Rochester Hills Mayor’s Business Council Luncheon – G. May attended October 25th. Governor Snyder gave OCC a nice compliment on our MAT2 Program.

Campus Facilities/Equipment/Technology

Facilities Update – Jeff Ragle
- F Core construction is on schedule and expected to be finished by the start of Winter 2014 semester.
- A new online work order system is undergoing testing and is expected to be operational later in November.
- Until the rollout of the new work order system, submit work orders by email to AHFacilities rather than to Jeff Ragle’s email address.

Presentations/Updates
- Michigan Advanced Technician Training (MAT²) Program
  Apprenticeship Coordinator Janene Erne showed a video and outlined the many advantages of this new industry-driven training program in the cutting-edge field of mechatronics. OCC is one of two Michigan community colleges presently offering the program supported by the State of Michigan. She encouraged all to talk it up among those they know. High school seniors are targeted, but the program is open to anyone (current oldest student is 28). Looking for students with mechanical ability, college English and math ability—not necessarily 4.0 students.
Mechatronics is a combination of electrical, mechanical and electronic competences, to identify, analyze, and solve systems-based problems. A mechatronic technician provides support to engineers, modifies machines, makes minor changes, and provides maintenance for related equipment in advanced manufacturing companies. (from http://www.mitalent.org/mat2/)

Benefits include:
- A three-year training program with all tuition costs paid by the employer
- On-the-job training with pay (in exchange for a commitment of at least two years on the job after the training period ends)
- An advanced associate’s degree in a high-tech, in-demand field
- A guaranteed job upon successful completion of the program

Other highlights:
- First cohort started September 2013; second cohort begins September 2014 – applications taken now.
- First cohort – 280 applied, 30 accepted.
- Industry needs Xers to replace retiring boomers.
- Students alternate between classes 8am-5pm M-F for seven weeks and work for nine weeks, year round for three years.
- Graduate with no college debt, an associate’s degree and a full-time job in a high-demand field.
- Starting pay $40,000, goes to $60,000 and beyond.

Learn more at http://www.mitalent.org/mat2/.

- **Miracle Boxes for Our Troops**
  Pat May asked for participation in this project. Needed are:
  - Donation of items to be sent to troops in individual gift boxes; collection boxes around campus (see specifics in attached flyer).
  - Workers to pack boxes Sat., Nov. 23 (complimentary lunch for packers)
  - Funds (any amount) to cover mailing costs ($20-$25/box)
    - Place contributed items in collection boxes all around campus.
    - To contribute money, write check to Oakland Community College; in memo box write SVA Miracle Boxes Donation; send/take check to Business Office.

**Community Comments, Concerns, Suggested Solutions**

- G. May recognized presence of Executive Director of Institutional Research, Quality and Planning Nancy Showers.
- L. Churchill commended B. Green for well-done minutes from October meeting.
- D. Bayer announced the Fire Academy graduation at Royal Oak, Friday, November 8, at 10am and the Police Graduation Friday, Dec. 13, at 2:00pm.

- **Athletics Announcements** – L. Huber
  Volleyball and basketball home games held at the AH Campus – Admission free to students, faculty and staff. Check schedule at Athletics web page for details.
  - Women’s Volleyball going strong—Won the Eastern Conference, on to nationals Nov. 21-23—now ranked 4th in the nation! Head Coach Jeff Stark named Coach of the Year.
  - Basketball - Away
    - OCC Men vs. Grand Rapids – 11/9
- OCC Women vs. Mercyhurst 11/16
  o Basketball - Home
    - Women’s Holiday Classic Dec. 13 and 14
    - Men’s Holiday Classic Dec. 17 and 18

- Continuing Education – Openings exist in Wines for the Holidays – meets Thursday, Dec. 12, 6:30-8:30pm at OR, $55. Register on line at OCC home page/A-Z index/Continuing Education/Culinary Studies Institute. (C. Bolduc)

- OCC Warehouse Surplus Sale is scheduled for Friday, November 22, 9:00am-5:00pm at the M-TEC Warehouse. Preview is Thursday, November 21, 4:00pm-6:30pm (S. Rowley).

- Library closed December 18 for in-service at all campuses (A. Zirpoli).

- Adding computer aptitude to COMPASS? – H. Tanaka says this has been discussed; Academic Senate is the proper venue for pursuing this topic.

- Demystifying Data – September 27 – N. Showers thanked all who attended and provided feedback. About 130 attended; would like to do it again. IR is compiling feedback—always open to suggestions. Call if you have questions or want data.

- Placement Office
  o Workzone Job Fair, held September 18, 2013 - Forty employers participated, but student attendance needs improvement. W. Lloyd asks faculty members to take an active role in increasing student attendance by letting students out of class and offering extra credit to those who attend.
  o Changes in How Financial Aid Is Awarded to Students – Starting Fall 2013 students must request work study as part of their financial aid award package, it is no longer included automatically; students must select it. Students are to contact their Financial Aid Manager to request college work study funding.

- Academic Senate created the following three new ad hoc committees at its October college meeting. If interested, you may join and contribute (S. Dry):
  o Data – The committee will gather questions, concerns, problems regarding data and work with IR on them.
  o Sun-setting Programs – Looking at the process, questions to be asked, etc.
  o WF, WP and I Marks – Update the use and catalog descriptions of these marks.
If you have expertise or experience with any of these topics, email S. Dry to join the committees.

- Raider One Card Concerns – To pursue the possibility of additional staffing as a solution to unresolved problems, direct concern in writing to G. May, President’s Office, to submit to Gheretta Harris for Vacancy Committee consideration (G. May to A. Zirpoli).

- Taste of Auburn Hills Oct. 10 was a wonderful event. Everything worked beautifully thanks to the efforts of our mechanical maintenance crew, Jeff Ragle, custodial crew, Jessica Lizardi, Mivida Burrus and Julie Jurmo, who coordinated the event (H. Tanaka).

- Auburn Hills University Center had its grand opening October 3. The University Center building has two classrooms—one smaller and one larger (seats 58). Both are available to OCC and the other sponsoring educational institutions—Oakland University, Baker College and Cooley Law School and can be used for classes, meetings and events. “The Den” is a nearby log cabin that serves as a hangout center for students from these schools. The 90-unit apartment building designed to house students is now open; a parking
structure is not yet completed. The complex is part of the City of Auburn Hills economic and development project, which is vigorous in its efforts to get the schools and students to make use of this attractive new space.

Submitted by Betty Green

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 3, 2013, 4:00pm-5:00pm, AH:G240.
Miracle Boxes for Our Troops

We are COLLECTING donations from Sep 19th – Nov 22nd to honor Oakland Community College student, Army Pfc. Joseph A. Miracle, who was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment (Airborne), 173rd Airborne Brigade, and died in 2007. We will be making “Miracle Boxes” to be sent to our troops through The Desert Angel, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

“How You Can Help:

We need both donations and volunteers to help us pack! Donations may be dropped off to the AH Student Life Office or to one of the several donation boxes placed on OCC campuses college wide. Email oce.studentveterans@gmail.com for questions.

“Packing Day” will be Nov 23rd from 12p-3p at AH Campus in the Student Center cafeteria

DONATION ITEMS NEEDED:
Breakfast bars/Granola bars
Instant Breakfast/Tang/Dry Gator Aid
Men’s and Woman’s Travel Size Hygiene Products: Deodorant, Lotion, Toothpaste, New Socks, etc.
Hard Candy, Gum
Cereal, Oatmeal
Coffee, Tea, Flavored Dry Creamer
Nuts, Beef Jerky, Dried Fruit
Rice Krispy Treats, Pop Tarts, Instant Foods Cards, Letters of Encouragement
Blank cards – which they use to send to family

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