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Public Comments

A group of Farmington residents expressed their concern over rumors that the Orchard Ridge Campus Swimming Pool will be closed. Chancellor Spangler and Board Chair Wangler assured the group that no such plans are being contemplated.

Chancellor's Report:

Dr. Spangler noted the following:

- Two hundred and fifty members of the college community, including trustees Wangler and Simmons, attended last Friday's Excellence Day celebration.
- Diversity Month events continue with a wide array of activities.
- Ninety people attended the April 1 Levinson Hall Annex groundbreaking at Highland Lakes.
- The chancellor has sent an email letter, co-signed by Academic Senate Chair Gerald Faye and OCCFA President Mary Ston, to all faculty members inviting them to participate in commencement this June.
- Highland Lakes Dean Cathey Maze has been named a Visiting Scholar by the international testing organization ETS.
- OCC 2004 Outstanding Faculty Alumna Margaret Kelly was honored by the American Association of Community Colleges as one of the group's outstanding alumni for 2005 at the AACC convention in Boston, April 9. Ms. Kelly's speech, the chancellor reported, was "moving" and very well received.
- The chancellor has made a large number of community connections over the past month including meetings with Chancellor Little of UM-Dearborn, as well as officials from Kettering University, Oakland University and Lawrence Technological University. In addition, she participated in the Automation Alley press conference, which unveiled a new Business Center.
- Southfield faculty member Theresa Wangler and Auburn Hills Facilities Manager Steve Ogg will represent OCC in the First International Megafestival.
- Three hundred high school students and their parents attended a Highland Lakes Open House on April 15.
- A graduation reception was held April 15 at the Auburn Hills Campus for the most recent group of Oaxaca exchange students. Board Chair Wangler addressed the group.
- Royal Oak English faculty member Youmin Lee has been awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to study in Mainland China.
- Seventy-five high school students interested in math and science attended a meeting held at Southfield for students planning to attend OCC and ultimately transfer to Kettering University.
- The theater program's spring play production, "The Nerd" had a successful run at the Smith Theatre April 7-9.
- The Auburn Hills Campus presented a well-attended forum on the "Offshoring of U.S. Jobs" on April 5.
- The Michigan Community College Association's Board of Directors will meet this weekend and discuss adoption of the group's 2005-06 budget.
- The chancellor and trustees will have dinner tomorrow with the first of three finalists for the Orchard Ridge presidency.
- The annual Great Lakes Wine Walkaround is scheduled at Orchard Ridge on May 11.
- The college will host a Legislators' Luncheon in Lansing on May 26.
- The chancellor submitted her self-assessment to the board in preparation for the May meeting.
- Extensions of the Public Safety and Operating Engineers contracts will be presented to the board for approval this evening.

- Vice Chancellor Clarence Brantley will conduct the Public Hearings on the 2005-06 Budget, and provide an update on the District Office space planning process.

College Resources

Vice Chancellor Brantley conducted the legally-mandated Public Hearings on the college's budget for 2005-06. Continuing contracts were approved for the following faculty members: Carol Hardaloupas, humanities (AH); Sharon Dry, social/behavioral science (AH); Bryan Dubin, behavioral science (HL); Jose Garcia-Leon, fine and performing arts (OR); Michelle Pergeau, fine and performing arts (OR); Darlene Johnson-Bignotti, library (RO/SF).

An annual contract was also approved for Diane Hill, fine and performing arts (OR). The management staff (exempt) appointment of Joyce Carter, administrative assistant (DO) was approved.

A one-year extension was approved to the Public Safety collective bargaining agreement (July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006).

A one-year extension was approved to the Operating Engineers collective bargaining agreement (July 1, 2005-06). The 2005-06 salary schedule for exempt administrative and management personnel was approved.

The following items were approved by the board via consent agenda procedure: boiler replacement, Building E, Orchard Ridge, \$311,500; theater lobby faculty offices, Building D, Royal Oak, \$125,800; classroom/bookstore modifications, Southfield, \$257,900.

The monthly progress report on millage-funded construction projects was presented.

The following items were also approved via consent agenda procedure: an affiliation agreement with Mercy Memorial Hospital to provide training experiences for surgical technology students; furniture rentals from Navigating Business Space for \$27,120; library furnishings from Library Design Associates for \$37,005; replacement mills and lathes from Haas Factory Outlet for \$104,614; moving and storage services from Palmer Moving and Storage for \$36,003; scenario-based simulation training for the Oakland Police Academy from SNC Technologies Corp. for \$35,830; a robot from Fanuc Robotics for \$56,640; a two-year agreement to provide regulated waste management services from U.S. Industrial Technologies for \$35,000; internet access services from Global Crossings for \$61,777.

The following third-party workforce development training contracts were approved by individual votes: American Power Technology, \$90,000; CRCJ, \$40,000; Ingenious Software, \$50,000; Fluent, Inc., \$40,000; LMS North America, \$50,000; MSC Software Corp., \$50,000; The Underground, \$50,000

Academic and Student Affairs

College Academic Senate Chair Gerald Faye reported that the campus senates have met and elected their chairs.

Those selected are Mary Ston, HL; Marilyn Kokoszka, OR; Barbara Konopka, AH; and Michael Vollbach, RO/SF. The college senate will hold its election in two weeks.

Vice Chancellor George Keith introduced librarians Ann Walaskay (OR) and Beth Garnsey (HL) who provided a demonstration of the college's new, computerized Virtual Reference Service.

Old Business

Board Chair Wangler, Secretary Abraham and Trustee Simmons will compose the committee that tabulates trustees' responses to the chancellor's performance over the last year. The results, along with the chancellor's self-assessment, will be discussed at the May board meeting.

Vice Chancellor Brantley provided an update on the Hobbs + Black District Office space utilization study. The board requested that he present a report on options, along with a cost analysis for each, in the next several months.

Reports

Vice Chair Scott noted that faculty member Debra Rowe's article, "Education for a Sustainable Future is the lead piece in this month's *Community College Journal*.

Ms. Scott also noted the presence of an ACCT Booth at the recent AACC Conference in Boston, which promotes a number of worthwhile workshops.

Trustee Davis thanked the board for the opportunity to travel to Texas to see President Edward Callaghan receive the Shirley B. Gordon Award of Distinction from Phi Theta Kappa.

New Business

The trustees took a position to recommend approval of the 2005-06 MCCA budget.

The Board's Executive Contract Committee met on April 14 and has forwarded the documents to the college's attorneys.

For further information on this session, contact College Communications (248) 341-2122.