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Board Digest

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Regular Meeting October 16, 2006

A closed session to discuss labor negotiations preceded the regular meeting.

Chancellor's Comments

Chancellor Mary Spangler reported the following:

- Trustee Janice Simmons recently received a leadership award from the North Oakland County NAACP.
- On October 10 Chef Doug Ganhs and culinary student Doug St. Souver participated in the carving of a giant popcorn sculpture for the Guinness Book of World Records. The event was seen nationally on the Food Network.
- The Orchard Ridge chapter of Phi Theta Kappa recently hosted the organization's regional leadership workshop on campus.
- The Highland Lakes Campus will present a public forum this evening on a possible flu pandemic.
- The Highland Lakes Campus nursing program will host an accreditation visit by the National League for Nursing October 30-November 1.
- The chancellor extended congratulations to Gheretta Harris, Dan Cherewick and the District Office staff for managing a "smooth, though not painless" move recently to the Rochester Hills facility.
- OCC was well represented at the farewell celebration for outgoing Walsh president Keith Pretty, and at the September 25 Detroit Economic Club Forum on the Future of Higher Education in Michigan.
- The board will hold a special session on strategic planning at the Centerpointe Marriott on October 23.
- Plante & Moran will present the annual audit findings this evening.
- Interim President David Adams will report on developments at the Southfield Campus.
- The chancellor distributed a report to the board outlining corrective measures undertaken by the college in reporting occupational course data to the state.

John Sirhal, managing partner of the college's auditing firm, Plante & Moran, presented an overview of the 2005-06 Annual Audit. "This year's audit went very well", Mr. Sirhal said, "and was completed in record time – a sign of the college's efficiency". The Financial Statement for the past year received a "clean" (unqualified) opinion, as did the separate Federal Awards audit. "The college's financial position continues to improve" Mr. Sirhal noted, "and the accounting staff continues to do a good job."

Interim President David Adams presented a report on renovation and modernizations at the Southfield Campus, which has witnessed a 166 percent increase in headcount and student credit hours since 2000.

New OCC Foundation employee Julie Burley was introduced to the board by Cheryl Kozell.

Academic and Student Affairs

Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs Steve Reif presented a report on a four-step, four-year plan developed by the Student Outcomes Committee. Step one involves the testing of attributes; step two – analysis of the data and its presentation to the faculty; step three – sharing of the findings with students; step four – retesting. The committee is also designing a web site and will complete a handbook for faculty this semester.

Student representative Kelly Kincaide of the Highland Lakes Phi Theta Kappa chapter presented an overview of recent activities, including the chapter's recent hosting of PTK's regional leadership workshop. The chapter is in the running to host the upcoming "Auction for a Cure".

Consent Agenda – Maintenance Projects

The following maintenance projects were approved by the board via consent agenda procedure: Highland Lakes Campus Student Center – HVAC replacement/interior renovations, \$2,969,900; Highland Lakes Campus Levinson Hall – HVAC/ceiling light replacement, \$1,412,200; Orchard Ridge Campus Building K – HVAC replacement, \$483,700; Royal Oak Campus Building C – HVAC replacement/interior renovations, \$2,697,500.

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

The following purchases were also passed via consent agenda procedure; a contract with LiquidMatrix to purchase and implement the ActiveApply online application system for \$66,000; 25 Apple MacPro Quad computers from Apple Computer for \$62,254; student lounge furniture for Royal Oak Campus Building B from the low bidder, Public Place Design, for \$43,528; business furniture for Royal Oak Campus Building B from the low bidder, Interior Environments, for \$126,089.

New Business

A new faculty bargaining agreement covering the period September 1, 2006 to August 31, 2009 was approved unanimously.

A salary increase of 2.5 percent for exempt administrative and management personnel for the years, 2006-2009, was approved unanimously.

This year Board Secretary Anne Scott will chair the Sarbanes Oxley Committee. Vice Chair Sandra Ritter has agreed to serve.

Comments

Secretary Scott thanked the board for the opportunity to attend the recent ACCT Conference in Orlando, Florida. Ms. Scott noted that the conference demonstrated how extensively community colleges are involved in research.

OCCFA president Mary Ston expressed relief that long and difficult labor negotiations had come to a close, but noted that other issues still need to be addressed.

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