

# **Board Digest**

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## **Chancellor's Report:**

Chancellor Mary Spangler noted the following:

- A well-attended farewell reception for President Sharon Blackman was held on June 30.
  Among the attendees were Board Chair John Wangler, Vice Chair Anne Scott and Trustee Janice Simmons.
- The Orchard Ridge Campus chapter of Phi Theta Kappa was named a "Top 100 International Chapter" at the recent PTK international convention. Two members of PTK's Royal Oak Chapter have been awarded Coke Scholarships.
- The Highland Lakes Campus will hold a two-day orientation for 60 adjunct and 14 full-time nursing faculty members on August 29 and 30. There are now 227 Priority 1 students in the nursing program.
- The Highland Lakes Campus recently held its annual summer camp for deaf children.
- OCC and five other schools have partnered with Automation Alley to provide \$50,000 in scholarships for member firms of Automation Alley.
- The Michigan Community College Association Summer Institute will take place in Traverse City this week.
- The board will meet in a special session on August 10 to discuss three major construction projects scheduled for next year.
- The *Southfield Sun* and *Troy Times* newspapers recently featured an informative and positive article on OCC's involvement in the Salzburg Seminars.
- Questions have arisen in connection with the new state election consolidation laws. Information is being gathered on possible options and costs so the board will be able to take appropriate action by the end of the year.

Chancellor Spangler introduced Orchard Ridge's new president, Dr. Jacqueline Shadko. President Smydra introduced new faculty member Karen Lee.

## **College Resources**

The administrative appointment of Dr. David Adams as interim campus president (AH) was approved, as was the faculty appointment of Jack Cronin, humanities/fine arts (OR). The operations and maintenance appointment of Jerome Walker, superintendent, buildings and grounds (AH) was approved, as was the classified (part-time) appointment of Larry Hojna, Jr., parts and tool crib attendant (AH), and the maintenance appointments of Tiffany Davis, custodian (OR) and Adam Ohler, custodian, (also OR).

Authority was granted to the college's construction managers, the Auch Company, to enter into a construction contract for a salt storage facility at the Highland Lakes Campus for a revised total of \$175,234.

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

## **Consent Agenda – Contracts and Purchases**

The following items were approved by the board via consent agenda procedure: a truck for transporting mobile units, from the low bidder, Red Holman of Westland, in the amount of \$37,214; a Haas mill and lathe from the low bidder, Gerotech of Flat Rock, in the amount of \$52,937; renewal of the UCompass online course management system agreement for 36 months in the amount of \$61,695; purchase of replacement servers and laptops from the low bidder, Dell, of Round Rock, Texas, in the amount of \$335,770; wiring installation services over the 2005-06 fiscal year by Professional Communications, Inc., in the amount of \$100,000.

## **Academic and Student Affairs**

Vice Chancellor George Keith noted that the enrollment report for the Summer 2 session has been forwarded to the board, and that OCC has done well this summer.

## **Old Business**

Vice Chair Anne Scott was elected OCC representative to the Michigan Community College Association Board. Chairman John Wangler was elected as alternate.

Trustee Phillip Abraham noted that the process has begun to assemble the Board Audit Committee and that four public positions are open. Trustee Pam Davis indicated her willingness to serve.

Trustee Abraham also indicated that more information is coming on County Executive L. Brooks Patterson's Wireless Oakland proposal.

# **Board Member Reports**

Trustee Davis inquired about the status of distance learning at OCC. Vice Chancellor George Keith noted that this item was on the agenda of the Enrollment Management Task Force this fall. Vice Chair Scott reminded the board and college community that the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Dorene Hope Shank Golf For Scholarships Outing is scheduled for August 12, and expressed her appreciation for the support the event has received.

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