

Board Digest

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Regular Meeting May 18, 2009

Academic and Student Affairs

OCC College Academic Senate Chair Mary Ann McGee submitted a list of the new senators for 2009-2010 to the board, noting that they will take office in the fall. Ms. McGee also announced that the senate has elected new officers, and that she has been returned to the chairmanship. The senate will conduct its annual retreat in August.

The senate's curriculum committee has been very active, revising 45 courses, approving 23 new courses and revising 203 courses to reflect the new General Education Curriculum.

Student Representative Elisabeth Mauer, a Highland Lakes student and PTK member who plans to transfer to the pre-med program at Hope College, announced that members have just returned from PTK's International Convention in Texas where they helped clean up and restore a flooded park. Ms. Mauer also provided an overview of PTK activities at the various campuses, including a blood drive at Auburn Hills, and renovations to the Orchard Ridge Nature Trail.

College Resources

The 2009-2010 General Fund Budget was approved and adopted. The board also passed a motion to institute a budget review in six months.

Consent Agenda – Maintenance Projects

The following maintenance projects were approved under consent agenda procedure: window and counter modifications to the student services office in Building M, Orchard Ridge Campus, \$48,400; new interior room and directional signage for the Orchard Ridge Campus, \$181,200; replacement of eroded curbs, roadway and sidewalks at the Orchard Ridge Campus Oakland Drive-Farmington Circle intersection, \$96,300.

The monthly report on the progress of millage-funded renovation projects was submitted.

Consent Agenda – Contracts and Purchases

The following contracts and purchases were approved via consent agenda procedure: purchase of Symatic ghost and antivirus products and maintenance from Academic Superstore for \$27,360; training for Ferndale Laboratories employees by Qumas for \$48,000; training for Hybrid Design and Behr America employees by SAE International for \$40,000; training for EDS employees by Global Knowledge for \$40,000; training for EDS employees by New Horizons for \$45,000; training for Daimler Financial Services employees by TEK for \$270,000; training for Daimler Financial Services employees by TIBA for \$60,000.

New Business

The board approved a modification to its annual schedule, changing the date of its December 21 meeting to December 14.

Chancellor Tim Meyer presented an overview of the college's 2009-2013 Strategic Plan. Characterizing the plan as "an organizational tool that helps OCC focus its resources to fulfill its

purpose," Dr. Meyer went on to outline the process of continuous plan renewal, list notable features and provide timelines of board involvement.

After unveiling the plan's purpose statement, "Learning is our only priority," Dr. Meyer noted that the plan is a living document with an annual review cycle, which will be monitored by the college planning council, as well as reviewed and reaffirmed by the board of trustees.

The board voted to accept the proposed Chancellor Evaluation timeline. The chancellor will present his accomplishments at the June 15 board meeting and will provide his self assessment for board review by June 1.

Comments

Trustee Anne Scott commended the college administration on its launch of the Weekend College program.

Trustee Thomas Sullivan commended Chancellor Meyer and the college planning council for their efforts in developing the new strategic plan.

Chair Shirley Bryant noted that the board has begun its work with consultant Eric Craymer, holding its first session last week with a discussion of individual trustee philosophies. Ms. Bryant thanked Mr. Craymer for his efforts.

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