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Chancellor's Report:

Dr. Mary Spangler announced the following:

- An OCC delegation including Chair John Wangler, the chancellor, Vice Chancellor George Keith, Dean Steve Reif and four faculty members visited Oaxaca, Mexico, last week to tour local schools with which the college has established partnerships and to experience the area's culture. The chancellor acknowledged Counselor Doug Riddering's leadership in this project and noted that 12 to 15 Oaxaca students will arrive here in March.
- The selection process to fill the Orchard Ridge Campus presidency, which includes a national recruitment effort, is proceeding on schedule with a projected completion date of July 1. The chancellor recently met with Orchard Ridge staff and faculty members to gather input.
- State Senator Deb Cherry recently toured the Highland Lakes Campus to observe the college's Allied Health programs. The chancellor was able to discuss the recently-released Cherry Report with the senator during her visit.
- President Sharon Blackman recently hosted state officials at the Auburn Hills Campus who are touring Michigan to inspect M-TEC sites. The officials met with the chancellor and representatives of various corporations partnering in the M-TEC operation here.
- A Martin Luther King, Jr. Convocation was held at the Orchard Ridge Campus on January 15. Detroit Free Press columnist Rochelle Riley was principal speaker.
- The major review of cabinet officers has been completed on schedule.
- Two reports will be presented this evening: a space planning study covering the Bee Center and Guest House, and a presentation on the 2005-2006 preliminary budget.

Dan Launstein of Hobbs + Black Consultants provided a summary of the District Office's space planning study undertaken over the past few months. The assessment is not finished and no recommendations will be made at this time. Mr. Launstein noted that the Bee Building structure is sound (although there are heating/air conditioning concerns), but departments are not arranged efficiently and available space cannot meet future needs. The Guest House, though picturesque, has structural concerns and is not suitably configured for administrative functions.

The chancellor noted that a review of options will be discussed with the board in approximately three months.

Vice Chancellor Clarence Brantley reported that by reducing operating expenses, the computer equipment budget, the use of contract personnel and technology projects, and by establishing a retirement contribution reserve, the college will be able to erase the \$1.63 million shortfall in the preliminary 2005-2006 budget.

New staff members Deborah Bayer and Janette Pivitt were introduced to the board.

College Resources

The management staff (non-exempt) appointments of Tamara O’Dea, programmer analyst (DO @ RH); Crystal Sanford-Brown, child care coordinator (RO); and James Seewald, campus facilities manager (OR), were approved.

The following two items were approved by the board via Consent Agenda procedure: exterior stair replacements, Building G, Auburn Hills, \$89,700; emergency brick repairs, buildings B, C, D, E, F, G, J, K, L, M and the Smith Theatre, Orchard Ridge, \$145,550.

An emergency heating line repair for Building C, Auburn Hills was approved for \$109,393.

Exterior door replacements for buildings A, B, D, E, H and J, Auburn Hills, were approved for \$126,000.

Concrete deck inspections, deck coatings and concrete structural repairs for the Royal Oak Campus’ North Parking Structure were approved for \$327,300.

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

The following items were approved via Consent Agenda procedure: an affiliation agreement with the Waterford Township Department of Public Works to provide onsite learning experiences for students in the Exercise Science and Technology program; a contract to purchase eight electrical trainers from Brodhead-Garrett for \$36,740; an extension of the Microsoft Campus License agreement with CDW Government for \$70,847; a contract for waste removal services from Capital Waste, Inc. for \$46,879 annually; a contract to provide network infrastructure maintenance from Delta Network Services for \$298,459 annually; a three-year contract with SBC to provide voice and data services for \$555,000 annually.

A three-year contract to provide temporary staffing services was approved with Adecco USA.

A contract to replace carpeting of flooring in Auburn Hills Campus’ buildings A, E, F, J, T and M-TEC was approved with NBS for \$102,605.

A modified one-year contract with Excelerated Learning Institute, Inc. was approved to provide training for DaimlerChrysler employees for \$95,000.

A seven-month contract with RMC to provide PMP Exam Prep training to EDS employees for \$50,000 was approved.

Academic and Student Affairs

Royal Oak/Southfield Phi Theta Kappa President Quadriane Daniels provided an overview of the chapter’s activities over the past few months, including fundraisers, tutoring services and sponsorship of a breast cancer awareness seminar. A highpoint of last fall’s activities was a drive that registered 15,000 voters.

Vice Chancellor George Keith noted that SCH and headcount totals this winter remained essentially the same as last year. Since 2001, however, SCH’s have risen 15.5 percent, and student headcounts 5.9 percent.

In cooperation with the American Association of Community Colleges, OCC recently participated in an online recruitment fair conducted in nine cities in Chile. OCC counselors and staffers Rocio Oxholm-Flores, Pat Nowaczynski, Diana Shack, Judi Yerkes and Dave Adams contributed to the effort and 24 students engaged with OCC counselors.

Board Comments

Trustee Janice Simmons thanked Chair John Wangler for agreeing to attend the Michigan Community College Association Winter Inservice in Monroe in her stead.

Vice Chair Anne Scott thanked the OCC community for the outpouring of cards, flowers and good wishes received during her recent illness.

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