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Board Digest

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Regular Meeting December 12, 2005

Chairperson John Wangler extended season's greetings on behalf of the board of trustees. Academic Support Coordinator Wanda Pernell-Harris provided an overview of the PASS program and introduced blind student David Barber. Mr. Barber demonstrated the screenwriter technology that enables blind students to pursue their studies at OCC.

Chancellor's Report:

In the interest of brevity Chancellor Mary Spangler forwent her usual report.

Vice Chancellor Clarence Brantley provided an overview of the preliminary 2006-07 college budget.

College Resources

Continuing contracts were approved for the following faculty members: Dana Keyse, library (AH); Anthony Racka, business (AH); Arden Sargent, IIC (RO/SF). A temporary faculty appointment continuation was also approved for John Corbin, humanities (AH).

The faculty appointments of Milutin Erbiznik, science (HL); Suzanne Labadie, English (RO) and Anthony Baracco, human sciences (OR) were approved, as were the classified appointments of Arthur Chu, chemistry paraprofessional – part-time (OR) and Anya Sanko, EMT/CRJ paraprofessional (AH).

Retiring faculty members Arthur Wiggins (OR), Remedios Solarte (HL) and Ingretraud Brieger (OR), were presented with retirement gifts and certificates by the board. Mr. Wiggins, in turn, provided the board and chancellor with copies of his latest book.

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

Consent Agenda

The following items were approved by the board via consent agenda procedure: a one-year extension of the Microsoft Campus License Agreement with the low bidder, Software Express, for \$70,619; purchase of Hewlett Packard printer equipment/services from the low bidder, BPI Information Services of Southfield for \$39,728; a one-year renewal of the network infrastructure electronics maintenance agreement with Delta Network Services for \$298,459; purchase of printing services for the schedule of classes, student handbook and college catalog from the low bidder, Grand River Printing and Imaging for \$178,997; purchase of PLATO Software licenses from Job Skills Technology, Inc., for \$72,437; specialized training services from Dominion Technologies Group for \$60,000.

Academic and Student Affairs

College Academic Senate Chair Mary Ann McGee noted that the senate continues to work on such projects as academic planning, assessment, curriculum review and preparations for the Higher Learning Commission visit.

Laura Manley, president of the Royal Oak Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, presented a report on the group's many accomplishments over the past year.

Vice Chancellor Keith noted the wide range of institutional research available on the OCC website. Drawing from these materials, he provided the board with "Fast Facts" handouts

covering the last three years, which provide such information as average student age, percentages of full- and part-time students, cities where more than 1,000 OCC students reside, average credit loads, etc.

Old Business

A revision to Board Policy 1.5.2, "Order of Business," was passed.

Board Secretary Phillip Abraham noted that all four outside applicants invited to join the audit committee have accepted and that the group will hold its first meeting on January 11.

New Business

The board passed a motion requesting that the College Academic Senate establish a task force to investigate means of making textbooks more affordable.

Community Comments

Faculty Association President Mary Ston thanked the board for deferring action on the manager of student success position and noted that the issue has been resolved via the grievance process. Ms. Ston also asked the board to explain the rationale behind the 80/20 budget guideline wherein 80 percent is the limit of personnel costs and 20 percent is the amount for non-personnel expenditures. She also wished the board a nice holiday.

The board entered a closed session to discuss labor contract matters.

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