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Regular Meeting April 17, 2006

Public Comments

Chairperson John Wangler invited members of the audience to make comments. Speakers included Catherine Sykes of the National Association of Negro Business & Professional Women's Club, and H. Wallace Parker and Dr. Eugene Rogers of the North Oakland County Branch, NAACP, who protested the failure to appoint candidate Patricia Dolly to the presidency of the Auburn Hills Campus.

OCC graduate and 1997 OCC Outstanding Alumna Anna Zimmerman noted that she had never seen racism exhibited at the college, nor in the trustees she knew personally.

Auburn Hills faculty members Randy Ston, Barbara Konopka and Gladys Rockind spoke to the importance of the board's approval of the interior renovations/student services projects at Auburn Hills on tonight's agenda.

Chancellor's Report:

Chancellor Mary Spangler announced the following:

- President Gordon May will be honored with the Educator Award – 2006 by the National Association of Negro Business & Professional Women's Club at a luncheon on May 6.
- President Martha Smydra and Vice Chancellor George Keith have announced their retirements. They will be missed, the chancellor said.
- Seventeen OCC staff members and administrators recently attended an update workshop held by the Higher Learning Commission in Chicago. A Higher Commission team will visit OCC in spring, 2008.
- On April 10 the chancellor, Cheryl Kozell, Jill Dunphy, Mary Anne Cotton and Candy Geeter of the Advancement staff read books that the Advancement staff had donated to first and second graders at Pontiac's Excellence Academy.
- The Oaxaca exchange students have arrived and are currently taking classes at the Auburn Hills Campus.
- Ninety works are being exhibited at the Auburn Hills Campus Student Art Show, which is open through April 25.
- A recent Auburn Hills Campus blood drive exceeded the 100-pint goal by 26 pints.
- The American Culinary Federation's Central Region has named culinary faculty member Kevin Enright Educator of the Year. Student Tammy Gauthier was named Central Region Student Culinarian of the Year.
- The Woodland Hall Annex groundbreaking on April 6 at the Highland Lakes Campus was well attended.
- Vice Chancellor Clarence Brantley will make the Public Hearing Presentation of the 2006-07 budget this evening.
- The board will enter into closed session to consider legal opinions and labor negotiations.

College Resources

Recommendations for continuing faculty contracts were approved for Monika Chodan, science (HL); Kristine Evans, counseling (HL); and Shelly Larsen-Asplund, English (RO/SF).

The faculty appointment of Jan Marie Weller, nursing (HL) was also approved.

The classified (part-time) appointments of Hassae Jones, faculty secretary (RO) and Andrea Powell, nursing secretary (HL) were also approved.

Sabbatical leave for RO/SF Dean of Academic and Student Services Lloyd Crews was approved for the Summer II semester.

Retirees Helen Habib (OR), George Keith (DO) and Wallace Smith (AH) were recognized by the board and presented with parting gifts.

Vice Chancellor Clarence Brantley presented the 2006-07 General Fund Budget draft.

The board approved a resolution to adopt the National Incident Management System in order to better prevent, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents.

A motion for renovations to Building G, and the construction of a student services addition at the Auburn Hills Campus was tabled until the May board meeting. Three options were presented by Mr. Brantley for the board's consideration.

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: an affiliation agreement with Cornerstone Schools to provide unpaid work experience opportunities for students in the PC user support technician program; an affiliation agreement with the Circle of Life Center of Detroit to provide learning experiences for health care administration students; a 48-month, \$10,648, lease agreement with the low bidder, Ikon Office Solutions, to provide college-wide duplicating services; a \$100,000 contract with Durr Systems, Inc., to provide training services for DaimlerChrysler employees; a \$160,000 contract with Imperial Automation Technologies, Inc. to provide training services for General Motors employees; a \$100,000 contract with McNaughton & McKay Electrical to provide training for General Motors employees.

Old Business

Revisions to Board Policy 1.1.5, "Vacancy on the Board", as presented at the March board meeting, were approved.

A motion to appoint Dr. Patricia Dolly president of the Auburn Hills Campus was defeated.

New Business

The 2006-2007 Schedule of Regular Board Meetings was approved.

Reports

Trustee Janice Simmons commented that "once again a qualified candidate (Dr. Patricia Dolly) has been denied the opportunity to serve at OCC." Mrs. Simmons added that she "would continue to protest."

Trustee Pam Davis stated that she could not understand "how the college could go through the time and expense of a search process" and then deny the recommendation.

Faculty Association President Mary Ston asked the board "for clarification about the process of establishing a diverse pool of candidates." Ms. Ston also suggested a balance between hiring from the outside and promotion from within for the filling of administrative vacancies.

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