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Regular Meeting December 11, 2006

Trustee John Wangler was presented with a plaque by the board recognizing his service to the college.

Orchard Ridge Humanities faculty member Linda Kayes was presented with a retirement gift by the board.

Chancellor's Comments

- Dr. Mary Spangler noted that the new Teamster contract has been added to tonight's agenda. The chancellor thanked the teams for their hard work to reach this agreement and those previously approved by the board.
- A special board planning session has been set for January 27 at the chair's request.
- The foundation and college boards held a joint holiday party on November 28. Doris and George Mosher were able to attend, as was incoming Board Member Anna Zimmerman.
- President Gordon May will welcome the board to the Highland Lakes Campus this evening.
- Vice Chancellor Clarence Brantley will present the preliminary budget for fiscal year 2007-08.
- The Southeast Michigan Community College Consortium has received a \$2.1 million award from the U.S. Department of Labor to develop alternative energy and advanced manufacturing curricula. Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment and Training Emily DeRocco noted that an eloquent presentation by Dean of Workforce Development Services Sharon Miller before the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce clinched the award.

Highland Lakes President Gordon May presented an overview of the campus' Phase I, II, III and IV renovation projects. Among the highlights are the completion of the \$8.6 million Levinson Hall addition (completed this fall), the Woodland Hall addition (to be completed in 2008), and the demolition of Highland Hall in the summer of 2009. Dr. May also noted that the campus' nursing and dental hygiene programs both earned full re-accreditation recently.

Vice Chancellor of Administrative Services Clarence Brantley provided an overview of the preliminary general fund budget for 2007-08.

The new budget will total \$154 million, a three percent increase over this year. Modest increases in enrollment, tuition rates, property taxes and investment income are projected. State appropriations will hopefully remain the same at \$19.48 million.

Vice Chancellor Brantley introduced new bookstore assistants Gia Huff and Dennis Clinebell.

Academic and Student Affairs

College Academic Senate Chair Mary Ann McGee reported that most of the first draft of the Commission of Higher Education Report has been submitted. She and Dean Cathey Maze will review the materials over the holiday break. Ms. McGee also noted that the academic senate has commissioned a survey of faculty committee participation, but that the data has not yet been

analyzed.

Student Representative LaTina Johnson presented an overview of recent student-related events at the various campuses. Phi Theta Kappa members, she noted, will participate in an essay contest for the Third Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration in January. The essay topic is “How Would Dr. King View Today’s World”, and the prize is a \$500 scholarship.

College Resources

Continuing contracts were approved for Counselor Edward Stotts, Jr. (OR) and English faculty member Lori Linden. The faculty appointment of Mary Reum-Troia, English (AH) and Robert Featherstone, applied engineering (AH) were also approved.

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

Consent Agenda

The board approved the following items via consent agenda procedure: a contract with Deaf & Hearing Impaired Services of Farmington Hills to provide interpreting services to students at a rate of \$35 per hour, and a secondary contract with Intensified Interpreting Services of Auburn Hills for the same purpose; purchase of COMPASS scantron sheets from Delta College for \$51,750; a Microsoft Campus License from CDW Government for \$73,370; renewal of a network infrastructure electronics maintenance agreement with Delta Network Services for \$298,459; printing services for the schedule of classes, student handbook and college catalog from the low bidder, Action Printing, for \$210,218; classroom furniture for the Royal Oak and Southfield campuses from the low bidder, NBS of Troy, for \$43,358; a contract to provide training services to General Motors employees by Learning Designs, Inc., for \$300,000.

Old Business

Reporting as chair of the Board Sarbanes Oxley Committee, Secretary Scott noted that the group will meet with community volunteers in the first week of January, then provide names of those recommended. Charter language will be submitted later in January.

Reporting for the Board Ethics Committee, Trustee Simmons reported that the group met this evening to review samples of ethics policies from various types of organizations. The ethics committee has also informally consulted with board of trustees expert George Potter, and received an opinion on the use of credit cards from Plante & Moran. Mrs. Simmons invited all board members to submit items for inclusion in the final document, and noted that the committee expects to forward its recommendations to the full board in February.

New Business

A labor agreement was approved with the Teamster State Local and Municipal Employees Local 214.

Comments

Trustee Simmons and OCCFA President Mary Ston wished all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year on behalf of their groups.

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