

Board Digest

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Regular Meeting June 18, 2007

Public Comments

Gwen Bynum, president of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority stated that she, and several of late Trustee Simmons' friends, were present this evening to show their appreciation for the board's naming of a wing of Levinson Hall at the Highland Lakes Campus in Mrs. Simmons' memory.

Chancellor's Comments

Interim Chancellor Clarence Brantley made the following observations and announcements:

- The college community is saddened by the passing of Auburn Hills learning resources technician Joyce Zurel on May 9.
- The Orchard Ridge Honors Convocation was held on June 1. Trustees Davis, Scott and Zimmerman attended.
- The Laker Academy held its graduation at the Smith Theatre on June 6.
- The Michigan College Personnel Association held its Diversity Summit at Orchard Ridge on June 8. OCC received the organization's Cultural Diversity Award, the first community college so honored.
- The Orchard Ridge Campus recently held a Services Recognition Awards Breakfast.
- The annual Culinary Studies Institute Great Lakes Wine event was held on June 7 to raise money for scholarships.
- 198 honors graduates attended the Highland Lakes Honors Convocation June 6. Trustees Scott and Davis attended.
- The Royal Oak/Southfield chapter of Phi Theta Kappa took part in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life Walkathon on June 7; \$2,400 was raised in memory of late Trustee Janice Simmons.

Interim Royal Oak/Southfield President David Adams introduced new employee Sandra Brown, Southfield student services specialist.

Academic and Student Affairs

Interim Vice Chancellor Steve Reif noted that he is working with Dr. Dan Abbott at Oakland University to develop "Teaching for Excellence", an advanced educational experience for OCC faculty. Dr. Reif also noted that he recently had the privilege of accompanying OCC's "Best and Brightest" students to the Salzburg Seminars where they encountered "world class lectures" on topics such as prejudice, globalism and immigration.

College Resources

Sabbatical leaves for Shelly Moss Brooks (HL) and James Cook (OR) were approved for the winter, 2008 semester.

The faculty appointment of Richard Driscoll, applied engineering technologies (AH); Aletia Droba, philosophy (RO); Kelly Flores, communication/humanities (HL) and Gayle Mazzocco, health professions (HL) were approved, as were the administrative appointments of Steven Reif, president (RO/SF) and Henry Tanaka, dean of academic and student services (AH).

The temporary administrative appointments of Lloyd Crews, interim executive director of student services (DO) and Beverly Stanbrough, interim dean, academic and student services (RO/SF) were extended. The temporary administrative and management appointments of Kayla LeBlanc, interim director of academic technology (DO/RH) and Kelly Hyduk, manager of online learning technologies (DO/RH) were also approved, as was the classified appointment of Tang Quach, paraprofessional, applied and engineering

technologies (AH).

An addition to Board Policy 3.10, Investment Policy, was lodged for action at the July board meeting.

Consent Agenda – Maintenance Projects

The board approved the following items via consent agenda procedure: electrical switchgear/panel replacement and emergency lighting, Levinson Hall, Highland Lakes, \$583,300; electrical switchgear/panel replacement, Student Center, Highland Lakes, \$522,800; relocation of technology backbone cable, Highland Lakes, \$354,400.

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

Consent Agenda – Contracts and Purchases

The board approved the following items via consent agenda procedure: an affiliation agreement with Oakwood Healthcare of Detroit to provide on-site learning experiences for allied health students; purchase of ammunition and simmunition for the police academy from the low bidder, Michigan Police Equipment for \$78,919, stationary, letterhead and envelopes from Nationwide Envelope for \$40,000; public safety equipment from Michigan Police Equipment for \$29,812; training services for General Motors employees through Regional Technology Network Corporation for \$12,00.

A contract for purchase of items for the service recognition program was approved with O. C. Tanner for \$30,000.

Lobbying services from the Lansing firm Karoub and Associates will be contracted on a monthly basis at \$4,000 per month, starting in September. Bids will be sought for lobbying services.

New Business

The Michigan Community College Association budget for 2007-2008 was approved.

The underwriting of travel expenses for a foundation board delegate was referred to the chancellor's office.

Board Member Reports

Vice Chair Ritter noted that developments in the chancellor search have been regularly disseminated via email.

Trustee Zimmerman noted that all chancellor search information will be included in the board packets.

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