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Public Comments

Members of the part-time staff and others spoke against the college's decision to make management of part-time personnel more efficient by transferring these positions to Adecco, a contract services agency, which OCC has used for the past three years.

The board passed a motion to postpone the transition and consider this issue at its July meeting.

Student Presentation

Highland Lakes Campus student Crystal Varney provided an overview of her experiences at OCC. The first in her family to attend college, Ms. Varney, a single mom whose daughter also attends OCC, works in the IT field. It is her intention to earn an associate degree in liberal arts, then transfer to a university to earn a bachelor's in web development.

Chancellor's Report

Chancellor Tim Meyer indicated that he will use the monthly "Chancellor's Report" segment to provide updates on how the college is accomplishing its strategic plan. Typical items will include periodic enrollment reports. Tonight acting Chief Strategic Development Officer Cheryl Kozell will provide an overview of legislative activities, as well report on the OCC Foundation.

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Cheryl Kozell noted that the college's legislative activities goal for 2007/08 is to pursue legislation, appropriations and public policies which are in the best interests of OCC and its constituents. Results this year include the engagement of Scofes & Associates as the college's Michigan lobbyists, high visibility with the Michigan legislature and the Oakland County congressional delegation, and favorable treatment on federal appropriations.

The priorities of the OCC Foundation, as established by the foundation board, are to support the goals of the college; these priorities include scholarships, stewardship of donors and stewardship of funds. One hundred and thirteen scholarships were awarded in 2007/08 at a cost of \$117,000. The foundation staff managed \$2.9 million in assets in 2007/08, while contributions increased 22 percent over the previous year.

Highland Lakes President Gordon May introduced new nursing faculty member Christine Genei and new Spanish faculty member Gina Mandas.

Royal Oak/Southfield President Steve Reif introduced new sociology faculty member Cheryl Neely.

Academic and Student Affairs

College Academic Senate Chair Mary Ann McGee noted that the senate has concluded its business for the academic year and is in the process of preparing a report. This year's accomplishments include completion of the online process for submitting new curriculum proposals and approval of 15 major course revisions, 45 new courses, nine major program revisions and four new programs/degrees. The curriculum review committee has reviewed 17 disciplines and will review transfer degrees next year.

Royal Oak/Southfield President Steve Reif introduced interim Dean Tom Hendricks who provided an overview of the new partnership with the Madison Heights School District. The arrangement provides OCC tuition vouchers to Madison High School students in exchange for Royal Oak Campus use of Madison facilities.

College Resources

The faculty appointments of John Mousty, American History (AH); Elise Roman, counselor (RO/SF), and Rasheedah Wright, counselor (OR) were approved, as was the temporary faculty appointment of Terry Weideman, health professions (HL).

The interim appointments of Cathey Maze, interim vice chancellor of academic and student affairs (DO), Lloyd Crews, interim executive director of student services (DO), Thomas Hendricks, interim dean of academic and student services (RO/SF) and Vicki Kloosterhouse, interim dean of academic and student services (HL) were also approved.

The management staff (non-exempt) appointment of Herman Young, program director – surgical technology program (SF) was approved.

Renovations to the toilet rooms in the west wing of Building B of the Royal Oak Campus were approved for \$469,000.

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

Consent Agenda – Contracts and Purchases

The following contracts and purchases were approved via consent agenda procedure: an affiliation agreement with the Village of Redford to provide on-site training for health care administration students; renewal of a course management system for online student instruction with Ucompass for 36 months for \$75,736; purchase of desktop computer equipment and peripherals from the low bidder, Dell Computer Corporation for \$1,245,000; a five-year agreement with Siemens Building Technologies for a college-wide DDC Technical Support Program for \$255,645; purchase of the Phone Pass Speaking Test from Ordinate Corporation for \$31,830; purchase of servers and laptops from the low bidder, Dell Corporation, for \$355,770; purchase of items for the service recognition program from O. C. Tanner for \$30,000; printing services for stationary letterhead and envelopes from Nationwide Envelope for \$40,000; Student Help Desk services for 36 months from Presidium Learning, Inc., for \$559,245; wiring installation services from the low bidder, Professional Communications Services, for \$100,000; 25 Apple Mac Pro computers for the Orchard Ridge photography lab from Apple Computer for \$68,000; training from DASI Solutions for \$30,000.

Unfinished Business

A revised version of the new board committee policy was distributed.

Trustee Anne Scott noted that the committee met and selected its community members. Final approval of the community members will take place at the July meeting.

New Business

A new Chancellor Evaluation Booklet was submitted for the board's consideration. Trustee Sandra Ritter, who provided the document, asked that it be placed on the agenda for board action at the July meeting, and asked for reactions from the college community.

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

Trustee Anne Scott was reappointed OCC representative to the Michigan Community College Association; Trustee Phillip Abraham was reappointed as alternate.

A motion authorizing Trustee Anne Scott to travel with an American Association of Community Colleges delegation to mainland China to discuss establishment of a community college system was approved.

Comments

Trustee Sandra Ritter requested information on the following: (1) reimbursement records pertaining to the chancellor's entertainment expenses; (2) his temporary housing costs; (3) the number of vacation days taken and (4) estimated moving expenses.

The board passed a motion requesting an update on the cost of college textbooks, and the results of the textbook rental program announced earlier.

AFSCME Local 2042 President Kathleen Cham noted that although the sides are close, her membership has twice failed to approve a tentative contract. The sticking point, Ms. Cham said, is not economics, but a non-economic issue which "the members are passionate about".

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The board entered closed session to discuss labor matters.

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