



OR Community Assembly Minutes
February 18, 2016
3:00-4:00 p.m.

In Attendance:

Dennis Choiniere	Debi Ksionzek	Andrew Kulawik	Jay Seewald
Mark Seder	Rasheedah Wright	Lisa Skowronski	Maria McCarthy
Karen Johnson	Nadja Springer-Ali	Rhonda Brown	

- Welcome
 - Community Assembly minutes can be found on InfoMart at <http://infomart/minutes/communityassemblies/or>.
- Campus Announcements/Updates
 - Promoting Campus Events
 - There was a discussion about how to make better use of the TV's around campus to communicate events to the students. HL scrolls a PowerPoint on their TV's. Jay said OR doesn't have the software to do that. The facilities managers approve the content on the TV's but the student life person actually puts the content up. Debi said the TV's in the student center have been tampered with. She also said the vendor would be in and she would get a dollar amount and then report back.
 - Textbook Pricing
 - Maria McCarthy gave a shortened version of a PowerPoint she presented to the Board of Trustees
 - 20.6% of every textbook sale goes to the college to cover operations and personnel cost
 - 2% covers freight cost
 - 77.4% goes directly to the publisher
 - OCC currently uses the following criteria to help reduce costs:
 - Purchase from all sources
 - Books are competitively priced
 - Buyback is offered the week of final exams so students have the option to receive market value for their textbook
 - Buyback value is based on whether the book will be used the next semester; whether an access code is required; and the current inventory
 - Dynamic pricing – we are competitive; transparent, returns are easy; we have what you need. Students can go online and find the price of a textbook by viewing multiple vendors and their prices.

- Financial aid can be used online.
- Rentals (approximately 250 titles)
- E-books
- Library resources
- Round-up for scholarships
- How can OCC further reduce costs?
 - Faculty submit textbook and supply orders on time
 - Consider using the same book for the same course, campus and/or college-wide
 - Consider having adjuncts use the same textbook as full-time faculty
 - Faculty can collaborate with the publisher
 - Faculty work with the campus store
- Reflection Room
 - We will have a Reflection Room in K-100B, across from the ASC. This will be used for prayer, reflection, or just quiet time. The rules will be forthcoming, but will include no candles, music, or sleeping. There will be no sign-in; it will be first come, first served. The rights of others should be respected. This room should be open by March 7th.
- Annual Diversity Requirement
 - There was a discussion about diversity training now that we don't have PDTC. Some questions were should we have diversity training and, if so, should it be mandatory?
- Department/Committee Updates
 - Student Life – we still don't have a student life coordinator. Robert is in charge until it's decided what will happen with that position. Robert said student life will stay a department.
 - Diversity and Inclusion – The OCC Libraries and College Committee for Diversity and Inclusion participated in its 6th African American Read-in in celebration of Black History Month. The King Library hosted the Read-in on Wed. 2/5/16 from 11-1. We had 14 readers and a total of 205 attended this year. The Read-in was written-up in the Farmington Press on 2/9/16: <http://www.candgnews.com/news/occ-celebrates-black-history-month-read-90174>.

On Wednesday, March 30th from 11-1, The OR Committee for Diversity and Inclusion is hosting a Japanese Taiko Drumming Demonstration. Brian Sole of the Great Lakes Taiko Center will perform traditional drumming techniques and provide other enlightening information on the subject. For more information, contact OR ESL Faculty Collin James at x3478 or cdjames2@oaklandcc.edu.

- Facilities – The tree that came down causing the power outage caused a lot of damage to boilers. The surge when it came back on blew out the control panel in Building C.

Plans for the renovation of F Building are continuing. Work should start mid-May. The F-G elevator will be out of commission starting around Thanksgiving until the end of the year. Jay will be polling classes held in G Building and if there are any physically challenged students in those classes, the classrooms will be moved to an accessible location.

The next Community Assembly will be **March 17**, 2016 at 3:00 pm.

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