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Board Digest

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Regular Meeting August 16, 2004

Chancellor's Comments:

Dr. Mary Spangler reported the following:

- One hundred and thirty-six players participated in the annual Dorene Hope Shank Golf for Scholarships Outing on August 13, which raised approximately \$34,000. The chancellor thanked the event committee – David Adams, Cheryl Blake-Bagley, Edward Callaghan, Candy Geeter, Elizabeth Hepinstall, Maria McCarthy, Trustee Anne Scott, Jim Shank and Sylvia Velasquez for their efforts.
- Dr. Spangler participated in a meeting of the American Association of Community Colleges Board last week. It appears that the federal Higher Education Act will not be reauthorized this year as hoped. The AACC Board plans to concentrate on community college student persistence, under the theme: “Closing the Achievement Gap.”
- Chief Information Officer Andrew Hillberry will coordinate the college’s strategic planning efforts. A handbook is being developed for the seven task force co-chairs, and several orientation sessions are scheduled. The group’s steering committee will meet quarterly.
- In January, 2004, the board approved construction, at no cost to the college, of a radio tower at the Auburn Hills Campus to serve the county-wide Courts and Law Enforcement Management Information System (CLEMIS). The college is moving forward in negotiations to confirm OCC’s ownership of the facility.
- The board will vote this evening on a recommendation to hire five full-time instructional technology personnel necessitated by the end of the SCT contract. Savings from this action are estimated at \$1 million for the 2005-06 academic year.
- President Edward Callaghan will make a presentation on the Orchard Ridge Campus Master Plan, followed by a presentation on the District Office Master Plan by Dan Cherewick, Clarence Brantley and Chancellor Spangler.

President Sharon Blackman introduced new employee Magda Abuhassabu, and Vice Chancellor George Keith introduced new employee Mark Woods.

President Edward Callaghan presented an overview covering the history, current developments and future objectives of the Orchard Ridge Campus Master Facilities Plan.

Chancellor Spangler and Vice Chancellor Clarence Brantley provided a similar overview of developments at the District Offices comprised of the Bee Center, Guest House, Rochester Hills Offices and Pontiac Center.

As to the future of the Bee Center/Guest House, the chancellor noted that space planning consultant firms are being interviewed that will identify issues regarding space limitations and other options. Evaluations and recommendations are expected to be presented to the board in January, but a long-term plan will take longer to prepare.

College Resources

The fall sabbatical leave for faculty member Peter Stine was rescinded.

The following management staff appointments were approved: Dennis Choiniere, information technologist (CW); Preetha Kannan, information technologist (CW); Wendy Subrin, information technologist (CW); Leigh Wolf, information technologist (CW); and Tasha Turner, IT project analyst (DO @ RH).

The classified appointment of Lauren Parlin, Workforce Development secretary (AH), was also approved. A motion authorizing the Auch Company to enter a construction contract to replace the current Building Automation System at the Southfield Campus was approved at a cost of \$489,700.

The monthly progress report on millage-funded construction projects was presented.

The following items were approved via consent agenda procedure: 255 agency affiliations permitting students in the college's nursing and health care programs to gain on-site learning experiences at a variety of health care facilities; a contract with Michigan State University to provide accident investigation courses to the Oakland Police Academy at a cost of \$98,400 for the 2004-05 fiscal year; a contract with Robert Dorer to provide police records management courses to the Oakland Police Academy at a cost of \$35,000 for the 2004-05 fiscal year; the purchase of a Shimadzu Mobile Art Plus X-Ray System from the low bidder, Mikron Digital Imaging of Livonia, for \$37,278.

Academic and Student Affairs

Vice Chancellor George Keith reported that new technologies adopted by the college (e.g., web advisor and web registration) have boosted early registration figures for the fall. Seventy percent of last year's headcount and 75 percent of last year's student credit hours have already been reached.

Thirty-five of 50 transfer agreements with Oakland University have been renewed, and more will be completed soon. This progress is due to the work of the counseling staff and the contacts that Dr. Spangler initiated with OU when she first came to the college.

Old Business

The Audit Subcommittee will make its recommendations at next month's board meeting.

New Business

A resolution of respect was entered into the record honoring Trustee Judith Wisner's 18 years of service.

The college will provide Mrs. Wisner with a lifetime ACCT membership and invite her to the organization's convention in October.

A monthly report on CREST usage will be provided to the board.

A facilitator will be engaged for a board retreat at which new ground rules for trustee interaction and effectiveness will be developed.

Discussion was held about the process to amend board bylaws limiting to \$10,000 the amount that the chancellor may contract for professional services without board approval.

The following items, which had been removed from the consent agenda, were approved; a contract with White Collar Canine for the purchase, testing and pre-training of dogs for the Oakland Police Academy for \$53,950; renewal of a purchase agreement with Dell Corporation to provide desktop computer, laptops and servers at a cost not to exceed \$1.9 million for fiscal year 2004-05.

The following workforce training agreements with third party providers were also approved: ABB, Inc., for \$15,000; Alpha-Omega IT Services for \$30,000; Behr Systems for \$200,000; DaimlerChrysler for \$50,000; Infinite Learning for \$30,000; Nachi Robotics for \$200,000; Shainin, LLC for \$60,000; Siemens VDO for \$65,000.

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