



**Regular Meeting  
January 20, 2015**

**Welcome**

- Incoming Chair Tom Sullivan announced the newly-elected Board officers:
  - Vice Chair Shirley Bryant
  - Secretary Pamala Davis
  - Treasurer John McCulloch

**Public Comment**

None

**Academic Senate Report**

Senate Chair Shawn Dry reported on:

- Continued review of the American Honors program
- Newly-formed Higher Learning Commission accreditation steering committee comprised of Senate leadership and administrators
- Revision of the Incomplete Grade
- Proposed change in Board meetings

**Labor Organizations and Associations**

- OCCFA President Mary Ann McGee reported on the recent elections. She remains President and Bill Isanhart continues as Chief Negotiator. She commented on the proposed Board meeting schedule and the decline in enrollment.

**Chancellor's Report**

- The Chancellor reported on several items:
  - The outstanding job by the IT Department to keep the registration system running during the recent database problem; the yeoman's job performed by frontline staff; and the support and understanding from faculty while the issue was being addressed.
  - The phenomenal success of the Foundation auction to implode the North Park Plaza Office building which raised \$10,000 and drew media attention from around the world.
  - Anthony Racka, business faculty, Auburn Hills, was honored as 2014 Distinguished Online Faculty Member of the Year Award by the Alliance for Excellence in Online Education.
  - OCC ice carving students captured top honors at the Plymouth and Holland ice carving competitions.
  - OCC is well-positioned to implement President Obama's recently announced America's College Promise.
- Dr. Cathey Maze, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and Peter Provenzano, Vice Chancellor of Administrative Services, reported on 2015 winter enrollment.
  - While enrollment has dropped, the decrease was anticipated due to the rapid decline in unemployment rates in Oakland County. Additional factors included a smaller pool of prospective students, increased competition and fewer subsidized educational programs.
  - The College will manage future enrollment by offering programs meeting community need, understanding student interest trends and improving student services.
  - Enrollment is projected to decrease and then flatten out by 2017, returning to pre-recession levels.

- Dr. Cathey Maze presented on the current Higher Learning Commission accreditation work. She reported there is a new process and revised criteria, and the College has joined the student persistence and completion academy.
- New nursing faculty member Dr. Mary Miles was introduced by Dr. Tim Sherwood, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. Dr. Miles comes to OCC from Mid-Michigan Community College.

#### **Academic and Student Affairs**

- Auburn Hills Campus President Dr. Tim Taylor introduced Denise Rizzo, the new student representative to the Board. Denise shared the Community Service and Honors in Action program sponsored by PTK and Alpha Omega Ro student groups at Auburn Hills. She highlighted the MLK Convocation at Royal Oak and explained the Cooley High School Reuse Project all five campuses participated in on MLK Day.
- Dr. Cathey Maze, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and Martin Orłowski, Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness, reported on the College's expanded assessment efforts, including use of the Assessment Results Tracking Information System (ARTIS) and implementing common course outcomes.

#### **College Resources**

- The monthly [personnel monitoring report](#) was provided to the Board, and the January faculty recommendations were approved.
- The Board approved two renovations projects:
  - Renovation of Building K, Auburn Hills Campus, to house the majority of the financial aid staff
  - Renovation of M-TEC, Auburn Hills Campus, for the Office of Institutional Effectiveness

#### **Unfinished Business**

None

#### **New Business**

- The Board approved its regular meeting and conference schedule for 2015.
- The Board postponed approval of a proposed 2015 special meeting and workshop schedule to obtain more information.

#### **Board Member Reports and Comments**

- The Board welcomed Trustee McCulloch, and thanked Trustee Kelly for his two years as Board Chair.
- Treasurer McCulloch stated he was happy to join the Board.
- Secretary Davis recommended Sandra Ritter be given a lifetime membership in ACCT.
- Chair Sullivan applauded the holiday party given by the Culinary Studies Institute for the OCC Board of Trustees and Foundation Board members.

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