

MT. HOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD NEWSLETTER

FOR THE MEETING HELD ON JUNE 13, 2007

The Multnomah Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission (TSCC) is charged with examining budget documents for governmental agencies in Multnomah County to assure compliance with **Local Budget Law**. As part of their process, this body studies MHCC's budget each year prior to adoption by the Board. Commissioners and staff members held a TSCC hearing prior to the board meeting to discuss the budget and to ask the college staff questions that arose during the review. The process resulted in the **Commission's unanimous approval of the 2007-2008 college budget**.

Dr. Yates called the regular meeting to order, and the meeting began with **unanimous approval of the resolution to adopt and make appropriations of the 2007-2008 budget and the resolution imposing and categorizing taxes**. Dr. Silverman expressed appreciation to Mike Wolfe, JoAnn Zahn, Pat Parmenter, Delpha Boltz, Jennifer DeMent, Kimberly Hutchinson and all who worked on preparing the budget for their hard work and dedication.

Brenda Brady introduced Paul Hill and Kate Holleran who gave an update on the Standard 3 self study for accreditation. Kate reviewed key strengths, which included overall student satisfaction, recently remodeled student services area and the one-stop area, a strong commitment by the Board to support financial aid, and a strong co-curricular and student life. Paul reviewed some weaknesses, which included security across the district, students are self advising more making it necessary for the college to provide more information to ensure the students get correct information so they make correct choices, and student development services where regular ongoing assessment is needed. Opportunities determined by the committee include outreach and recruiting efforts in order to grow enrollment and an admissions package presented at the first contact with a high school student. Three key recommendations are a review of the Student Services policies and procedures, ongoing assessment and better coordination of outreach and recruiting.

During Public Input, Gary DeRoest, President of the Faculty Association presented a statement from the Faculty Senate regarding the Blue Cross Insurance Premium Increases for 2007-08 and the OSBA Insurance Trust Reserves.

The Board then discussed the possibility of appointing an Interim President. Bob Morris made a motion to appoint Gary Murph as Interim President stating he felt it would be in the best interests of the college to have an Interim in place prior to Dr. Silverman's departure. The motion was amended to empower the Board Officers to enter into negotiations with Mr. Murph to become the Interim President of MHCC beginning July 1, 2007 for up to one year and to discuss compensation with him. A special phone meeting will be held Wednesday, June 20 at 6:30 p.m. where the Board Officers will report back and the Board will approve the compensation amount if Mr. Murph accepts the appointment.

The following **business items** were approved:

- Minutes
- Financial reports
- Consideration of 2007-2008 board calendar
- Resolution for acceptance/expenditure of projects funded in whole or part by non-district funds

- Consideration of resolution to transfer budgeted appropriations
- Approval to contract to re-roof Section 3 of Main Academic Center

The following **personnel actions** for May 2007 were presented:

NEW EMPLOYEES:

Administrators

Charmagne Ehrenhaus	Dean of Instruction – Social Sciences, Mathematics and Engineering	Social Sciences, Mathematics and Engineering	MA – Speech Communication ABD – Adult and Higher Education	07/01/07
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Supervisors

John Nelson	Supervisor, Project YESS	Project YESS		05/09/07
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Support

Wendy Patton	Foundation Administrative Assistant	College Foundation		05/29/07
Roxana Walls	Accounts Payable Specialist	Business Office		05/25/07

CURRENT SEPARATIONS:

Rodney Boettcher	Supervisor – Financial Aid	Financial Aid		05/31/07
Katrina Fairchild	Alcohol & Drug Assessment Specialist	Steps to Success		05/30/07
Tania Flores	Program Assistant	Head Start		05/18/07
Sharon Jackson	Library Technical Services Coordinator	Library Resource Center		05/31/07

The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on July 11, 2007.