

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Public Retreat/Meeting

January 9, 2015

A retreat/meeting of the Ocean County College Board of Trustees was called to order by Mr. Carl V. Thulin, Chair, at 12:14 p.m., on Friday, January 9, 2015, in the Boardroom of the Administration Building on the College campus.	Call to Order	
The announcement of public meeting was made in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975.	Public Meeting Announcement	
Those in attendance were: Mr. Carl V. Thulin, Mrs. Linda Novak (by phone), Mr. Jerry Dasti, Mr. Frank Dupignac, Mr. Emil Kaunitz, Mr. Thomas Monahan, Mrs. Joanne Pehlivanian, Mr. Nicholas Devlin, Mr. Jack Sahradnik, Dr. Jon Larson, and Executive Vice President Sara Winchester.	Attendance	
The Board, at 12:16 p.m., adopted a resolution upon roll call vote to move into a closed session to discuss personnel matters, collective bargaining, and pending and anticipated litigation, the results of which will be released to the public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.	Resolution Adopted for Closed Session	
The closed session ended and the public meeting resumed at 1:20 p.m.	Public Meeting Resumed	
Finance Committee		
Upon unanimous roll call vote, the following Finance Committee recommendations were approved:		
> The following resolutions were adopted for contract awards:	Resolutions Adopted for	
A maximum of \$112,200 to Rosetta Stone LTD, Harrisonburg, Virginia, for the pur- chase of online language courses for e-Learning programs at Ocean County College.	Contract Awards	
A maximum of \$63,000 to EduStrategy Group, LLC, Centennial, Colorado, for e-Learning consulting services from January 10, 2015, through June 30, 2015, at Ocean County College.		
Personnel Committee		
Upon unanimous roll call vote, the Board of Trustees approved the personnel actions as pre- sented.	Personnel Actions Approved	

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Discussion Items

Mr. Kaunitz presented information about New Jersey's economy and the negative effect on the State by the loss of federal jobs, such by the closure of Ft. Monmouth. New Jersey is one of the nation's largest "donor" states in that it pays more money to government in federal income and other taxes than it receives in federal spending on grants, contracts, and federal employee compensation. Mr. Kaunitz discussed the need to bring federal funding back into the State, and one way to do so is by increasing the mission at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst. Dr. Larson is attending the ACCT Legislative Summit in Washington, D.C., in February, and he invited Mr. Kaunitz to join him to share the message with New Jersey's delegation that federal funding needs to return to New Jersey in order to achieve a sustainable economy.

Ms. Winchester shared with the trustees the parameters on which the OCC FY 2016 budget was developed: a slight increase over current year enrollment, which is based primarily on an analysis of growth in e-Learning through out-of-county registrants and partnerships currently under discussion; a decrease in State funding; a slight increase in County funding; and an increase in student tuition from \$104 to \$109 per credit. Even with this increase in tuition, OCC will retain its favorable position among all New Jersey community colleges in terms of tuition. The OCC FY 2016 budget will be recommended for approval at the January Board meeting.

Ms. Winchester also discussed the College's long-term capital plan and reviewed several bonding possibilities in order to make the plan a reality. It is important that the College continue to explore academic programs and have the necessary facilities and equipment that will attract students as we move into the future.

Miscellaneous

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for:

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Monday, January 26, 2015	10:00 a.m.	Finance Committee	
	10:00 a.m.	Bylaw, Policy, and Curriculum	
		Committee (As Needed)	
	10:30 a.m.	Buildings and Grounds Committee	
	10:30 a.m.	Personnel Committee	
	11:00 a.m.	Closed Session	
	12:30 p.m.	Regular Monthly Public Meeting	

With no further business or comments from the trustees or the public, the meeting Adjournment adjourned at 2:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephan R. Leone Secretary