BOARD CLIPS

November 2026

Finance Committee

Contact Executive Vice President Sara Winchester x2062 for specific information.

The following was accepted:
The statement of income and expenditures as of September 30, 2026.

The following contracts were awarded:

- For the second-year contract option with one additional one-year contract option for grounds and landscape maintenance services from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027, at Ocean County College and OCC Manahawkin
- For the manufacturing and installation of signage as part of the Wayfinding Signage Refacing Project at Ocean County College

Resolutions to award the following contracts were adopted:

- For the purchase and installation of audio/visual equipment for the new Administration Building at Ocean County College
- For the purchase of Omnissa Horizon 8 licenses through the NJEdge.NET Consortium for use by the Office of Information Technology at Ocean County College
- For a one-year agreement for street sweeping services from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027, at Ocean County College
- For the purchase and installation of audio/visual equipment for the new Dental Lab through the NJEdge.NET Consortium in the Hovnanian Health Sciences Building at Ocean County College

Resolution to execute an application was adopted:

- Authorized College administration to execute the application for membership to join the Ocean County Insurance Fund Commission and the accompanying certification on behalf of the College

The following contracts were amended:

- An additional $8,778.15, for a maximum total of $73,286.66, to Henry Schein, Inc., Melville, New York, to revise the Radiography equipment ordered to be compatible with the newly installed electrical service in the Hovnanian Health Sciences Building for the purchase and installation of a radiography machine and a one-year labor warranty through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program as part of the Dental and Radiography Program Renovation Project at Ocean County College (contract originally awarded at the September 24, 2026, Board meeting)

- An additional $17,500, for a maximum total of $1,599,450, to Kimmel Bogrette Architecture and Site, Inc., Blue Bell, Pennsylvania, for design work, bid assistance, and construction administration to repair, resurface, and restripe Parking Lot 2R as part of the professional architectural and engineering services for demolition of the current Administration Building and design of the new Administration Building at Ocean County College (contract originally awarded at the July 25, 2019, Board meeting)

- An additional $237,056.76, for a maximum total of $10,886,697.64, to Newport Construction Management Corporation, Pennsauken, New Jersey, for elements omitted by the architect in the construction documents involving the installation of an elevator hoist way personal tie off beam, an exhaust fan connected to the building automation system (BAS), and the required receptacles and lighting; to extend the partitions at the corners of the staff break room; to install additional office doors for two VP offices to be subdivided into four smaller offices, and for delays due to unforeseen underground utilities located within the building footprint as part of the general contractor construction services for a new Administration Building at Ocean County College (contract originally awarded at the January 23, 2025, Board meeting)

- An additional $9,039.76, for a maximum total of $446,039.76, to USA General Contractors Corporation, Manalapan, New Jersey, to rent and install a 20-ton temporary HVAC cooling unit for the server room of the Information Technology (IT) Building as part of the professional general contractor services for replacement of the roof above the IT Building and repair of the roof above the William T. Hiering Science Building at Ocean County College (contract originally awarded at the August 27, 2026, Board meeting).

- An additional $30,000, for a maximum total of $84,810, to Multi-temp Mechanical, Inc., Westville, New Jersey, for the unexpected failure of Boiler #4 in the Green Energy Combined Cooling, Heating, and Power Plant, as part of the one-year contract with a second-year contract option for professional boiler burner maintenance services from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, on an as-needed basis at Ocean County College (contract originally awarded at the May 28, 2026, Board meeting)

The following was rejected:

- Bids for Legal Services at Ocean County College, received on October 14, 2026, in accordance with New Jersey Statute 18A: 18A-22.d, as the college wants to substantially revise the specifications for the goods or services

The following was accepted:

- $499,980 Garrett Lee Smith Suicide Prevention: WAVES II Institutional Project grant award from SAMHSA to strengthen student mental health, reduce suicide risk, and prevent substance use disorders by embedding a comprehensive, public health, evidence-based model into OCC culture, operations, partnerships, and student support systems, building on OCC's previous GLS experience and move the model from implementation to institutionalization by sustaining direct clinical screening and crisis response while expanding prevention, early identification, referral, outreach, training, and case management infrastructure across departments through a cross-departmental implementation team. Project period: October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2030. Project Director: Ms. Richelle Corbo, Director of the Counseling Center.

- $36,936 College Readiness Now grant from the Office of the Secretary of Higher Education (OSHE), to strengthen readiness in Mathematics, English, Student Success, and Career Exploration for high school students participating in free and reduced lunch programs, multi-

lingual learners, and historically underserved students. The program delivers an integrated support model that identifies academic barriers and provides coordinated interventions to promote measurable gains in college preparedness and persistence. Project Period: October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. Project Director: Ms. Tracey Taylor, Executive Director of Early College.

- $122,972 Community College Opportunity Grant (CCOG) from the Office of the Secretary of Higher Education (OSHE), to address key student success gaps at Ocean County College with three primary initiatives proposed: hiring a part-time Career Advising Coordinator to establish a structured career framework and online platform, expanding Brainfuse online tutoring to 500 hours annually to bolster academic support in gateway courses, and hiring a part-time Financial Aid Coach to lead FAFSA completion workshops and provide personalized financial clarity for students. Project Period: October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. Project Directors: Dr. Sheenah Hartigan, Assistant Vice President of Enrollment Services, and Ms. Stacy Yurcho, Director of Enrollment Services.

- $105,882 Center for Adult Transitions grant from the Office of the Secretary for Higher Education (OSHE) for a 10-week Exploration for Work and Career Readiness training course specifically for the adult transition program. The course will use a cohort model that provides a clear developmental arc, allowing students to move from orientation and tool-building towards college, training, community participation, and career, beneficial in eliciting greater independence and reflection. Project Period: October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. Project Director: Ms. Gina Opauski, Director of the Ocean County Achievement Center.

- $71,768 Inspire! Grants for Small Museums, Office of Museum Services grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Science (IMLS) for the Planetarium to purchase and install six space-related exhibits that enable people of all ages to engage in experiential learning activities that enhance knowledge and align with the Planetarium's plans to become a science center hub for the region. The project will benefit K-12 and college students, as well as the broader public, to engage in STEM learning and STEM careers. Project Period: September 1, 2026, through September 30, 2028. Project Director: Ms. Cara Muscio, Director of the Planetarium.

- $500,000 Youth Employment Activities grant from the Ocean County Department of Human Services, in partnership with Waters & Sims Supported Employment Services, for the Work Readiness Assistance Program (WRAP) to create opportunities for career exploration, education services, skills development, and training opportunities for youth and young adults to improve their economic position by expanding their educational, vocational, and employment opportunities. Project Period: October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. Project Director: Ms. Gina Opauski, Director of the Ocean County Achievement Center.

- $6,082 Harvesting Community Project grant from the New Jersey Council of County Colleges (NJCCC) for the Helping Hands Food Pantry to purchase a new refrigerator, additional shelving, and culturally diverse food items (Kosher, Indian, Asian, and Hispanic options) to allow the pantry to store more fresh food, expand dietary choices, and better support nutrition and wellness. Project Period: September 1, 2026, through May 14, 2027. Project Director: Ms. Michelle Youngs, Assistant Director of Student Life.

Building And Grounds Committee

Contact Associate Vice President James Calamia x2066 for specific information

Approved:

- The acceptance of the Facilities Engineering and Operations Status Report for November 5, 2026.

Bylaw, Policy, And Curriculum Committee

Contact Assistant Vice President Catherine Mancuso x2429 for specific information

Approval of the following 2026-27 Revised Advisory Committees

- Addictions Counseling
- Business
- Health and Human Performance
- Social Work

Approval of the following items by the College Senate at its meetings on September 17, October 1, and October 15, 2026:

Revised Policy

- Policy #5180, Students, Classes and Instruction, Academic Integrity

New Certificates of Proficiency

- Certificate of Proficiency, Allied Health Pre-Professional
- Certificate of Proficiency, Behavioral and Community Services

Revised Course

- CSIT 243, Cisco Networking Fundamentals

Personnel Committee

Contact Executive Vice President Sara Winchester x2062 for specific information.

New Hire Employment:

Adjunct Faculty			
First Name	**Last Name**	**Position**	**Start Date**
Kathleen	Appleby	Adjunct Assistant Professor, Psychology	10/19/26
Jennifer	Greenberg	Adjunct Assistant Professor, Theater	10/26/26
Bryan	Schmidt	Adjunct Assistant Professor, Theater	10/26/26
Kaitlyn	Tassillo	Adjunct Assistant Professor, Psychology	10/19/26

New Hire Employment:

Non-Affiliated Administrator			
First Name	**Last Name**	**Position**	**Start Date**
Christine	Abdou	**Curriculum Coordinator**	11/16/26
Jeffrey	Gilette	**Medical Laboratory Technician Program Director**	1/11/27
Chloe	Joyce	**P/T Academic & Tutoring Support Services Specialist**	11/30/26

Anthony	Petronzio	**P/T Recruitment and Outreach Specialist (WRAP)***	11/16/26
Pamela	Talvacchia-Gerber	**Work Readiness Instructor (WRAP)***	11/23/26

Non-Affiliated Hourly

First Name	Last Name	Position	Start Date
Tammy	Litterio	P/T Grants Office Technician	11/16/26
Spencer	Puglisi	Financial Aid Technician	11/16/26
Caitlin	Ziegler	P/T HR Representative	11/16/26

On-Call

First Name	Last Name	Position	Start Date
Peter	DiStefano	Athletic Trainer (On-Call)	10/17/26
Devin	Gonzalez	Nursing Skills Lab Specialist	11/9/26
Adriana	Grady	Temp. Office Manager and Special Event Coordinator	10/19/26
Matthew	Rose	EOF Alumni Leader	11/9/26

**per assignment*

Change in Primary Position:

Adjunct Faculty

First Name	Last Name	From	To	Eff. Date
Ghada	Ismail	Adult Education ESL Instructor	Adjunct Assistant Professor, ESL	11/16/26

Non-Affiliated Administrator

First Name	Last Name	From	To	Eff. Date
Maura	Alexanian	Cashier (on-call)	P/T Programs Specialist, Grunin Center for the Arts	11/9/26
Timothy	Landers	Interim Dean of Business & Social Science	Dean of Business & Social Science	1/1/27

Retirements:

Adjunct Faculty

First Name	Last Name	Position	Eff. Date
Richard	Brady	Adjunct Professor	1/1/27
Kathleen	DiMario	Adjunct Assistant Professor	1/1/27

Non-Affiliated Hourly			
First Name	**Last Name**	**Position**	**Eff. Date**
Bridget	Durbin	Sr Accounts Payable Tech	2/1/27

Support Staff Association			
First Name	**Last Name**	**Position**	**Eff. Date**
Cynthia	Fleureton	Principal Bookkeeper I	2/1/27

Miscellaneous:

Stipend Payment

- Approval of stipend for Nicole Garaffa, Academic Affairs Coordinator, for work performed for the Jersey Shore Science Symposium, beginning 10/30/26 - 2/19/27.

- Approval of stipend for Mary Ellen Rada, College Lecturer II- Anatomy, for work performed for the Jersey Shore Science Symposium, beginning 10/30/26 - 2/19/27.

Additional Miscellaneous:

- Approval of Master Course Assignments

President's Report

Dr. Monaco's November 5, 2026 Report to the Board of Trustees