1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m. The Chair announced the election of officers that took place at the Board’s Special Meeting held just prior to this meeting. The new slate of officers is:

Pamela S. Jackson, Chair
Kathleen A. Bertolini, Vice Chair
Susan Gibson, Secretary
Shirley J. Bryant, Treasurer

2. ATTENDANCE

Present:
Pamela S. Jackson, Chair
Kathleen A. Bertolini, Vice Chair
Shirley J. Bryant, Treasurer
Susan Gibson, Secretary
Edward D. Callaghan, Trustee

Absent:
Pamala M. Davis, Trustee
Christine M. O’Sullivan, Trustee

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Jackson asked if there were any items to add or remove from the agenda. There being none, Trustee Gibson MOVED to approve the agenda, and Trustee Bryant seconded.

AYES: Bertolini, Bryant, Callaghan, Gibson, Jackson

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1. November 15, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

Trustee Gibson MOVED to approve the November 15, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes, and Trustee Bryant seconded.
AYES: Bertolini, Bryant, Callaghan, Gibson, Jackson

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

4.2 November 15, 2022 Closed Session Minutes

Trustee Gibson MOVED to approve the November 15, 2022 Closed Session Minutes. Trustee Bertolini seconded.

AYES: Bertolini, Bryant, Callaghan, Gibson, Jackson

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

5. COMMUNICATIONS

5.1. Community Comments - none

5.2. Student Government Report – no report

5.3. Academic Report

5.3.1. Academic Senate Update – no report

5.3.2. Provost Update

Dr. Jennifer Berne provided the following update:

- We have about 25 new adjunct faculty joining us this winter. Thank you to the chairs, deans, and HR staff for facilitating this hiring as we had gaping instructional holes due to our 30 plus retiring faculty.
- In response to some state legislation, OCC has increased its offerings in co-requisites in English and Math and has also begun conversations with a senior partner regarding the requested on-site RN to BSN completion.
- The New Faculty Academy continues with a group of a dozen or so working together with the Teaching and Learning Center (TLC) being mentored outside of their discipline and working on an inquiry project related to their own teaching and learning.
- The TLC continues to support faculty in professional inquiry and includes seven new Communities of Practice (COP) beginning this winter. These COP’s allow faculty to gather together around a topic of interest and continue to support the dialogue around teaching and learning.
- Work planned in academics to work toward the goal of increasing completion include:
  - Collaborating with the Student Outcomes Assessment Committee (SOAC) on our new assessment tool
  - Continuing the implementation of Infosilum
  - Supporting faculty in creating greater accessibility in all our course materials
  - Aligning the schedule more fully with student program plans
  - Exploring new ways to support students in gateway courses
  - Increasing the ability of students to take more credit hours.
5.4. Chancellor’s Comments

Chancellor Provenzano commented on the following:

- Welcomed the following new employees for October, November, and December:
  - Benjamin Bieszki, Athletics Coordinator
  - Jacqueline Blonigen, Library Access and Technical Services Manager
  - Joshua Brady, Custodian
  - Ammie Helling, ACCESS Coordinator
  - David Pasko, Public Safety Officer
  - Michael Wojciechowski, Public Safety Officer
  - Ursulla McWhorter, Human Resources Manager
  - Matthew Long, Machine Tool Technology Paraprofessional
  - Janail Silver, Associate Registrar
  - Monica James, Custodian

- The following retirees were recognized for their years of service:
  - Kent Aeschliman, MAT Faculty – 45 years
  - Peter Anderson, PHY Faculty – 26 years
  - Sandra Bradley, CIS Faculty – 27 years
  - Retha Bragg, NUR Faculty – 30 years
  - Rhonda Brown, CNS Faculty – 35 years
  - Robert Bruhn, ESL Faculty – 23 years
  - Leonard Cole, CNS Faculty – 43 years
  - Elizabeth Drumm, BIO Faculty, 28 years
  - Lisa Durak, MAT Faculty – 34 years
  - Renee Fox, DHY Faculty – 23 years
  - Teresa Garcia, NUR Faculty – 26 years
  - Lynne Hitchcock, CHE Faculty – 32 years
  - David James, ENG Faculty – 26 years
  - Richard Koblin, BIO Faculty – 21 years
  - Barbara Konopka, PER Faculty – 25 years
  - Margaret Lambert, ACC Faculty – 30 years
  - Ian Leath, CIS Faculty – 33 years
  - Judith Matteson, CIS Faculty – 26 years
  - Allison McFadden-Keesling, LIB Faculty – 33 years
  - Mary Ann McGee, PSY Faculty – 35 years
  - Michele Merritt, BIO Faculty – 29 years
  - Janet Peart, MAT Faculty – 30 years
  - Kathleen Reilly, ESL Faculty - 27 years
  - Debra Rowe, PSY Faculty – 42 years
  - Daniel Rowison, CUL Faculty – 43 years
  - Kathryn Schulte, NUR Faculty – 31 years
  - John Sloan, CNS Faculty – 35 years
  - Kathryn Stewart-Hoffman, FRE Faculty – 32 years
  - Mary Ston, ACC Faculty – 37 years
  - Gheorghita Tres, Spanish Faculty – 21 years
  - Thomas Zakrzewski, CIS Faculty – 31 years

Retirees present to accept their certificates were: Kent Aeschliman, Rhonda Brown, Barbara Konopka, Ian Leath, Judy Matteson, Janet Peart, Daniel Rowison, John Sloan, and Gheorghita Tres. Retirees Aeschliman, Brown, Leath, Matteson, Rowison, and Sloan stepped to the podium to share their experiences at OCC, as well as their love of teaching and the privilege of touching students’ lives the way they did. The consensus was that OCC was indeed a wonderful experience for all of them.
The Board of Trustees and the Chancellor thanked all of these amazing retirees for their years of service and the incredible impact they had on our students.

- **College of Choice – Student Success**
  - OCC alum Mariel Matthews is one of 31 national scholarship recipients awarded by the Foundation for Surgical Technology and was the only Metro-Detroit recipient to receive the scholarship.

- **College of Choice – Outstanding Programs**
  - OCC has signed an articulation agreement with Iron Workers Local 25 Training Center in Wixom. The agreement expands educational opportunities for iron workers and offers our welding students credits toward completing a registered apprenticeship. Students who complete their basic and advanced certificate in welding at OCC can receive a maximum of one-year credit applied toward completing a registered apprenticeship.
  - The 2023 Michigan Achievement Scholarship program for high school graduates is available to help lower the cost of attending colleges like OCC and others across the state. Students can qualify for up to $8,250 over three years to earn an associate degree by filling out their Free Application for Federal Student Aid.
  - OCC is the only community college in Metro Detroit using state-of-the-art digital technology to study human anatomy and physiology used by medical schools. Our Science Department recently acquired and will soon offer a technologically advanced 3D visualization system called Anatomage Table, which allows for exploration and learning of the human anatomy exactly as students would see using a real cadaver. It also allows students to visualize what is beneath their own skin by featuring life-size digital replicas of humans, as well as rotate, cross-section, and animate to learn how the various body systems and processes work.

- **College of Choice – Events**
  - OCC will be holding a convocation in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on Friday, January 13, 11:00 a.m. via Zoom. The topic is “The Global Impact of Social Justice.”

- **College of Choice – OCC in the Media**
  - As always, numerous media coverage in the press and online (Report on file)

6. **MONITORING REPORT** – no report

7. **ACTION ITEMS** – no action items

8. **INFORMATION ITEMS** – no information items

9. **BOARD COMMENTS**

   Chair Jackson once again thanked Dr. Callaghan for joining the Board, and also thanked all of our retirees for their service.
10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Jackson asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Bertolini so MOVED, and Trustee Gibson seconded.

AYES: Bertolini, Bryant, Callaghan, Gibson, Jackson

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

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Cherie A. Foster

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Date

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Pamela S. Jackson, Chair

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Susan Gibson, Secretary

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