

**Orange Coast College Foundation**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, July 18, 2019, 6 pm**  
**The Home of Mary Lynn Bergman-Rallis**

**Attendees:** Shana Jenkins, Jeff Hyder, Rich Pagel, Madjid Niroumand, Doug Bennett, Juan Gutierrez, Brad Avery, Julie Clevenger, Blade Gillissen, Dave Cline, Derek Sabori, Rush Hill, Bill Wood, Dave Grant, Eileen Lewis, Barbara Bullard, Diane Menninger, Julie Simer, Peggy Fort, Liz Parker, Kevin Ballinger, Rene Kinn, and Sean Wellengard

**Guests:** Angelica Suarez, Ph.D. and husband, Chancellor John Weispfenning and wife

- A. Welcome & Introductions:** Bill Wood welcomed everyone to the meeting introduced Chancellor Weispfenning and the guest of honor Angelica Suarez and her husband Omero.
- B. Approval of Minutes from the May 30<sup>th</sup> Meeting:** Minutes were approved as emailed.
- C. Introduction of New OCC President:** Bill Wood welcomed and introduced the new President of OCC, Angelica Suarez, Ph.D. Mary Lynn presented Angelica Suarez with an orange and blue floral bouquet and tiara.
- D. President's Comments:** Angelica Suarez thanked the Board and Chancellor Weispfenning for the honor of being the new President of OCC and committed to building on the legacy of the college.
- E. Executive Committee Report:** Bill Wood delivered the Executive Report dealing with the new OCC Student Housing along with Doug Bennett.
  - 1. Possible Support of OCC Student Housing Students:** Doug spoke on the possible role of the OCC Foundation to support a housing effort for underprivileged student groups by having Housing Scholarships. The next Board Meeting in September will have a full presentation on the Student Housing by Jamie Kammerman, the New Director of Student Housing. The Housing Scholarships can help our foster youth students in the Guardian Scholars Program and other at-risk students from Big Brothers and CASA as well as Veterans. Doug and Liz will present Scholarship Opportunities for Housing at the next meeting.
- F. Planetarium Update:** Scott Mitchell, the Planetarium Director, introduced himself and affirmed that since the Planetarium opened in March it has been running smoothly and they are working on getting their attendance numbers up. Scott invited everyone to the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Apollo 11 Launch Show on Saturday (July 20<sup>th</sup>) at 3pm where they will be presenting the CNN Documentary on Apollo 11 along with the new Planetarium Show called Capcom Go! which is currently running. During the Summer, the Planetarium has seen more summer camps than school groups coming during the school year. Scott thanked Dave Grant for helping spearhead the development of the Planetarium and the Board for their support in making the Planetarium come to fruition.
- G. Investment Report:** Julie Simer delivered the finance report and report that the foundation endowment assets are doing well and distributed a written update.

- H. Campus Construction Update:** Rich Pagel presented the campus construction update with Student Housing, the Aquatic Center, the Tennis Courts being turned into a parking lot, and the Student Life Building well underway. Doug said that in recent weeks an approximated \$50,000 an hour is being spent on construction on the OCC Campus. With the new Social and Behavioral Sciences and Literature and Language Buildings beginning construction in October the number will escalate. All the current construction projects are scheduled to be completed by mid-2021 and we will have almost a whole new campus. Orange Coast College is working with the Gensler architectural firm to create a new 2030 master plan for the campus.
- I. Marine Program Update:** Brad Avery gave the marine program update and stated that the Sailing Center has had the biggest youth sailing summer-camp program in its history this summer. Local and youth at-risk kids are all benefiting from the youth sailing programs. The Professional Mariners Program is now in its ninth year and has helped many students find careers in the Maritime field. The program is in the process of hiring a manager who will help set up curriculum and ensure the success and longevity of the Sailing and Seamanship Program with the goal of being able to accommodate twice as many students as they have had enrolled in the past.
- J. ASOCC Update:** Eileen Lewis stated that the FOTL were looking forward to September and starting all over again.
- K. Foundation Director's Report:** Doug Bennet announced that he will send out a more formal report, but as of the year end closing at the end of June, the total donation income for the OCC Foundation for the 2018-2019 fiscal year was about \$3.6 million.
- L. Board Members / Visitors Comments / Concerns:**
- a. Derek Sabori declared that his Sustainability in Fashion and Apparel Certificate Program is having its first group of graduates this summer, who have been with the program for three semesters. This program is unique among colleges in the US.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Summer *Nordic Star Cruise*, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm

#### **Future Board Meetings**

Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm, Location TBA