

November 2017 President's Report Birgitte Ryslinge

#### Accreditation Update

Sharks, mark your Calendars for April 9-11, 2018. Our Initial Candidacy Visit is scheduled. This next step is the culmination of the hard work and relentless focus over the past three years. Thank you to each of you. The work does not end, and now with a date set, the next months will see intense focus on the completion of our report and preparation for this visit. We are forging ahead together!

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November 14, 2017

Dr. Birgitte Ryslinge President Oregon Coast Community College 400 SE College Way Newport, OR 97366

Dear President Ryslinge:

I bring you greetings from the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. Oregon Coast Community College is scheduled for an Initial Candidacy Comprehensive Self-Evaluation Report and visit in spring 2018. The Commission requests that the visit be conducted on April 9-11, 2018.

We ask that you contact Mellissa Thoreson (mthoreson@nwccu.org) by Friday, November 24, 2017, or sooner regarding your acceptance of the scheduled visit dates.

The chair of the evaluation committee to Oregon Coast Community College will be from a peer institution located outside the state of Oregon. You will be notified once the chair has been identified and be given an opportunity to comment on the acceptability of the proposed chair of the visiting evaluation committee.

I can be reached by telephone (425) 558-4224 or via email at  $\underline{lsteele@nwccu.org}$  if you have any questions regarding this visit.

Sincerely,

Les Steele, Ph.D. Senior Vice President

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cc: Mr. Dan Lara, Dean of Academics and Workforce

#### Grants

The Oregon Department of Education has awarded \$20,000 to a collaborative that includes OCCC, LBCC, the Linn Benton Lincoln ESD, and the school districts in these counties, including LCSD. This is a planning grant provides financial support for partners to convene and develop a proposal for a Regional Promise implementation grant.

Regional Promise Grants are intended for the development, expansion, and/or continuation of consortia of educational service districts, school districts and post-secondary institutions building collaborative, innovative, and flexible ways to foster a college-going culture across the region and to create additional opportunities for high school students to participate and earn credit in college-level courses. Each consortium will plan to serve either at least 10,000 students or 50% or more of 5th -12th grade students in school districts participating in the grant.

### **OCCC** Foundation

Last Thursday's Donor & Scholar Reception was a tremendous success. There have been many positive comments from donors and scholars alike, praising the evening and their visit to our campus. Events like this don't create themselves and we are deeply appreciative to everyone who helped make the evening special for all our guests. Donors came from as far as California to hear the inspirational stories of our student speakers, Cheyanne Bartolo, Brenda Ortiz Cruz, and Hilari Bodi. The evening was capped off by classical guitar pieces from Lauralee Norris, another of our fabulous scholarship recipients.

Special thanks to: Chris, Dell, and Dana for set-up and cleanup; Shaneon for beverage prep; Dave for video production; Laura for coaching our student speakers; Zane for encouraging scholar attendance; Linda and Cindy for beverage service; and Kathy, Linda, Dave and Dan for all their help with final details.

William's Lecture Series featuring Robert Kentta's presentation on Siletz Tribal History was well attended. While sometimes grim and frequently disquieting, Robert shared the history of the Siletz people in an open and personal way that was powerfully touching.

For those who were unable to experience the presentation in person, we have permission to share the following video:

https://oregoncoast.zoom.us/recording/play/17K9SGC8AaSOcBir4ZCSh\_6xeF-TxQM-W202mpSKwmphvMrWuuEJp4qcgSO1ne1i Access Password: Foundation

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Special thanks to those who assisted in making this presentation possible, including the Williams Lecture Series Committee (Ann Wales, Breeze Powell, Carlee Deitrick, Christa Kropp, Colleen Doherty, Rio Davidson, and Sharon Beardsley), our IT & facilities staff (Chris Rogers, Dell Smiley, and Spencer Smith), and Community Engagement SEAL student (Cheyanne Bartolo). The Williams Lecture Series is sponsored by the OCCC Foundation and supported by the Williams Lecture Series Fund, established by Mrs. Williams in honor of her late husband <u>William Appleman Williams</u>.

#### Around the College Costumpalooza Returns!



### **Small Business Development Center & Community Education**

#### **SBDC**

Stuart Brannen, CEO of the Siletz Tribal Business Corporation, will be offering a new leadership course in the Winter 2018 SBDC lineup. This noncredit course will be open to anyone in the county. Watch for this and more new courses in the weeks to come.

Small Business Management: Our busy 2017-18 Fall term rolls along. This week, the Lincoln City and Newport cohorts are discussing Unique Value Propositions in the first of a two-part marketing section. Coming off of two consecutive months of analysis of financial statements and reporting tools, the groups are noticeably relieved.

The SBDC will this week submit its third consecutive e-Digital Media & Marketing proposal, this one would site a robust audio, video and still photography studio in Newport at the OCCC Central Campus, and would offer enhanced video capabilities, including a DJI Phantom IV drone which, if approved, could be used not only for local business purposes but also for use by OCCC students and by OCCC Facilities and Safety personnel, in concert with and in support of partner agencies in disaster and site planning efforts in the South Beach area. The equipment would also enhance the College's ability to chronicle (and promote) its nascent HAB-atmospheric research program.

#### **Community Education**

The Catch the Wave Winter 2018 edition is being prepped for publication this week. It will be distributed via mail approximately four weeks before the beginning of the Winter term.

This week, the College was asked to host free workshops broadcast live from Hawaii. One of these events, to begin at 9:30 p.m. local time (!) is an important update from the PanSTARRS observatory on Maui regarding the Kilonova – the collision of two neutron stars that made international news last month as gravitational waves, as well as light and radio waves across the spectrum, were observed simultaneously for the first time due to such an event. On Friday, at 8:30 p.m., the College will host a presentation from the same source, this one focusing on mapping and tracking all 20,000 earth-orbit satellites. Both events are free, and both are hosted by OCCC Community Ed instructor Sifan Kahale.

## **Community Relations and Marketing**

**College Marketing** OCCC has begun a conversation with Al Lane, president of Coming Attractions Theatres, Majalise Tolan and Alison Robertson about the possibility of partnering with Taft HS and the cinemas with a monument sign that could advertise OCCC and its programs on Hwy. 101. It is very early in the process and discussions with city and ODOT code enforcement are among the areas not yet addressed.

#### **Community Relations**

Dave P. has joined an advisory committee with Meredith Howell (Yachats), Kristin Roslund (Yachats, owner of the Overleaf Lodge) and Melissa Steinman, Waldport HS CTE instructor. OCCC is facilitating a new lineup of hospitality training certificate programs to be taught at the WHS and at the South County Center in Waldport. Concurrently, some of the same offerings will be presented at the Lincoln City Culinary Center via a different but related agreement between the SBDC and the City of Lincoln City. That program is funded by SBDC State Network funds secured during the last legislative session by Rep. David Gomberg, while the Waldport program is funded by a cocktail of US DoE and Travel Oregon grants, secured last year by successful grant applications penned by M. Howell. OCCC will manage registrations and assist in promotions of these South and North county programs.



President's External Engagement Since Last Report

Lincoln County	Regional & State (& beyond)
	OR Pathways Symposiums – Portland
Linn Benton SD Superintendent's Meeting	OCCC Foundation Board Meeting
KNPT Radio Interview with LCSD	Yaquina Bay Economic Foundation (Chair)
Superintendent	Northwest Oregon WIB Board Meeting
Newport Chamber (Presenter)	Oregon Coast Aquarium Board Meeting
Lincoln City Representatives (David Hawker &	Oregon Coast STEM Hub Steering Committee
Dick Anderson)	Mid-Valley Mid-Coast Collaborative
	OCCA Executive Committee Retreat & Meetings
	OCCA Operations Subcommittee Meetings
	OPC Meeting (Mt. Hood)
	LBL ESD/LBCC/OCCC Grant Meeting

# **OCCC** Media Report

October 19, 2017 to November 14, 2017

#### News

#### **OCCC** CRAWLS TO ACCREDITATION

Newport News Times LINCOLN COUNTY — Oregon Coast Community College is methodically moving ahead to fully satisfy the 128 requirements to reach status as an independently accredited educational institution.... more

#### LIFESAVING ACTIONS EARN RECOGNITION

Newport News Times 11/15/2017 NEWPORT — A Lincoln County Sheriff's Deputy and a local registered nurse were presented with awards of recognition this week for their lifesaving efforts following a serious car crash last March on Highway 20.... more

## HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING: Community Calendar

The News Guard, October 19, 2017

**Oregon Coast Community College** Board meeting at 6 p.m. at 400 SE College Way in Newport. Agenda includes adoption of Board Goals and ...

### HOPES AND DREAMS: Siletz OCCC student receives scholarship

The News Guard, October 19, 2017 Marita Nash, **Oregon** Coast Community College student from Siletz, is one of 207 Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) members named a 2017 Coca-Cola Leaders ...

Central Oregon Coast's Highlights in Newport, Depoe Bay in Oct, Nov Oregon Coast Beach Connection, October 20, 2017 7 p.m. OCCC Newport Campus. 400 SE College Way. Newport, Oregon. http://www.oregoncoastcc.org/foundation/. 541-867-8531. October 29. Rogue ...

<u>Grow ahead, apply now</u> Oregon Coast Today, October 25, 2017

# Classes are held every Tuesday from 9 am to 4:15 pm between January 9 and March 27 at the Newport campus of **Oregon Coast Community College**.

### A culture of learning

Oregon Coast Today, October 31, 2017 At 10 am, Dan Lara, dean of academics and workforce at **Oregon Coast Community College**, will present an overview of the college's contributions, ...

# **Community** Spelling Bee winners

Newport News Times, November 3, 2017

The winning team of the eighth annual Community Spelling Bee, held Oct. 22 at **Oregon Coast Community College**, was the CoasTarts, representing ...

# Investigative journalist to give presentation

Newport News Times, November 3, 2017

... the past 32 years, This speaker's event will be held in the community room at **Oregon Coast Community College** in South Beach on Tuesday, Nov.

# Hard to resist

Oregon Coast Today, November 8, 2017

14 talk, hosted by KYAQ 91.7 FM, will run from 7 to 9 pm in the Community Room at **Oregon Coast Community College**, 400 SE College Way.

# **OCCC Press Releases**

# THIRTY FOR THIRTY

Join us in celebrating OCCC's 30th anniversary. Your gift of \$30 can make a difference! Established in 1987, OCCC is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year. If you or someone you know has benefited from OCCC, from a single class

### A BETTER CHRISTMAS IS IN THE CARDS

For the past few years, OCCC faculty and staff, along with student groups and the Student Nurses Organization, have collected gift cards from generous community members to give to local teens in foster care. There are 77 teens in foster

## **READY TO TEACH?**

If you've got a passion for art, music, acting, cooking, auto repair – just about anything – we hope you'll consider sharing it with your friends and neighbors from throughout Lincoln County. You can do so by becoming a community

### HMSC, OCCC FORM PARTNERSHIP

This Fall, Oregon Coast Community College and OSU's Hatfield Marine Science Center are launching a cooperative quarterly outreach/bridge program. The two events scheduled for Fall term are listed below. Check back for more details about future events as they are