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TO: Lane Community College Board of Education

FROM: Sonya Christian

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RE: Highlights that are featured as part of the Board Report

ASLCC:

ASLCC elections are underway and conclude on May 12, 2010. The election results will be available in the morning on May 13, 2010. All credit students who take classes and are eligible to vote have received targeted messages through myLane. A strong and active group of students running uncontested for Senate seats have collaborated on campaigning.

Athletics:

Lane Community College posted a pair of victories at the NWAACC Multi Events Championships on May 4, 2010. Kevin Godfrey won the Decathlon cruising to the title with 6544 points. Samantha Berryman won the Heptathlon scoring 4465 points with her closest competitor over 500 points behind.

The Lane Community College baseball team has won 10 of their last 12 games to move into second place in the Southern Region. With 8 games remaining, the Titans have a chance to make the NWAACC Championship tournament.

Continuing Education:

Students from Lane's Massage Program were at the Eugene Marathon on Sunday, May 2nd, giving massages alongside Licensed Massage Therapists (LMT). It was a great experience for the 18 Lane students who participated. Runners participating said they could not tell the difference between the students and the LMTs.

The EMT-Intermediate students took their State Practical Exam on April 24th. 23 students out of 26 passed. EMT-Basic students took their State Practical Exam on May 8th and 22 students out of 25 passed. This is an 88% pass rate for students at both levels.

High School Connections:

The High School Connections office sponsored Hands-on Career Day held on April 30, 2010. 17 area high schools participated by sending 220 students and their chaperones to Lane Community College's main campus to take part in 38 workshops. These workshops were designed to give high school students an opportunity to participate in Career Technical programs being offered at Lane. Twenty Lane faculty and staff offered one-hour workshops to the students in diverse areas including Automotive and Diesel Technology, Construction, Welding, Aviation, Massage Therapy, Multi Media, Dental Hygiene and Nursing, Criminal Justice, Culinary Arts and Hospitality, Early Childhood Education, CIT and Theatre Arts.



Criminal Justice Instructor, John delNero and a Springfield Police Officer

International Program:

For Spring 2010, 138 full-time international students are enrolled at Lane. The total includes 109 full-time credit students and 29 full-time ESL students. In addition, another 51 students attend Lane part-time, most dual-enrolled with University of Oregon.

International students say they like the diversity of Lane's international student population. Lane international students come from 37 different countries. Only six countries are represented by five or more students: South Korea, 33; China, 19; Japan, 19; Taiwan, 10; Vietnam, 8 and Yemen, 5. International students at Lane also come from Kuwait, Indonesia, United Arab Emirates, Canada, Columbia, Germany, Hong Kong, Nigeria, Spain, Australia, Bulgaria, Dominica, Egypt, Georgia, Ghana, Italy, Kazakhstan, Lebanon, Malaysia, Pakistan, Peru, Argentina, Qatar, Russia, Switzerland, Syria, Thailand, Uganda, United Kingdom and Venezuela.

Mathematics:

The Mathematics Division hosted its 30th annual Math Skills Fair competition on Wednesday, April 14, 2010. Nine regional high schools participated with over 100 competitors. The competition features a game show event, a written quiz, and a relay. Students may qualify for the state math contest through their written quiz scores. The winner of the team competition this year was South Eugene High School. Students participated at levels from pre-algebra through calculus.

Multicultural Center:

James Garcia, Latino Student Program Coordinator, was invited to do a presentation to staff and Latino parents at Peninsula College in Port Angeles, Washington, on April 11th and 12th. James' presentation focused on strategies to respond to Latino students at the high school and community college level. He also discussed the vision behind the Puertas Abiertas program and the positive impacts that program had on student leadership and achievement at Lane and in the community.

Successful Aging Institute:

On April 27th, President Mary Spilde, Eugene Mayor Kitty Piercy, longtime Lane instructor Leigh Anne Jasheway, and members of the Successful Aging Institute (SAI) Advisory Committee spent time with 80 Senior Companions and their county-wide site supervisors at the Senior Companion Program's Annual Gala Recognition Event on April 27. Lunch was catered by the Culinary Arts students and supported but Brian Kelly and Julie Fether.



Mayor Kitty Piercy thanked the Senior Companions for their service to the Community

In close collaboration with Dawn deWolf, Lynn Nakamura, Rosa Lopez, and Lida Herburger, SAI launched the first-ever 40 hour Personal Care Aide training for those interested in becoming professional caregivers. All 21 students are receiving full scholarship through Workforce Development with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) stimulus funds. As 97% of them are non-native English speakers, a VESL (Vocational English as a Second Language) assistant is actively involved in every class. In-home care provider companies and Senior & Disabled Services staff members have provided guest presentations and invited students to contact them after they complete the class. Several companies have pledged preferential hiring and hirer wages for graduates. Senior & Disabled Services has offered to host a meeting with students and Adult Foster Home providers before class ends to link students with potential employers.