

OCC Auditor hires too few women

Oakland Community College trustees have put the college's auditing firm on notice they're concerned about the company's minority hiring practices.

"We try hard to employ minorities at this college, and we hope the firms we deal with will do the same," said board Chairman Suzanne K. Reynolds.

The board last week unanimously ap-

proved an administrative recommendation that the college hire Ernst & Whinney as the college's auditing firm.

TRUSTEES SAID they were satisfied with the job the company had done over the years but were concerned about hiring practices. They directed

the administration to express this concern to the firm.

"I don't believe Ernst & Whinney has done as good a job in this area as they should," said Reynolds, who noted all

84 partners hired by the company in 1981 were men.

"It's strange that in this day and age, they didn't hire at least one token female," she said.

Citing the information from the company's annual report, Reynolds added "I also found it interesting that there were only three blacks (among the new partners)."

TRUSTEE ELIZABETH Hawthorne said, "If we're spending a lot of money (the firm's fee is \$38,000), we have every right to ask the company what their affirmative action policies are."

Trustee Edward Pappas disagreed. "I think we should find out how many women they've hired in the past five to seven years" before taking action, he said.

OCC President Robert F. Roelofs agreed to conduct a survey of "several representative auditing firms" to learn more about their minority hiring practices.

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Trustee Earl M. Anderson's motion was defeated in a 5-1 vote. Trustee David W. Hackett was absent.

Anderson moved that the board approve spending \$18 for each trustee to attend the party, planned Dec. 4 at Mitch's II restaurant.

"This is the only payment we get," Anderson said. "The board set a policy years ago to take this money out of the trustees' fund (expense account) so that everyone would go to the dance."

"I can't see anything wrong with that," he added.

Trustee Edward Pappas disagreed. "The board doesn't get paid. Attending a college dance is not an obligation but a benefit," he said.

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