

# OCC board loses veteran as 3 women win

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Three women with backgrounds as educators were elected Monday to the Oakland Community College board, and voters dumped 22-year incumbent David Hackett. "Chi sera, sera — what will be will be," said Hackett, 62, who ironically is a member of the National Organization for Women and who has frustrated frequently argued the cause of women's advancement. "I feel worse for Derry than for myself," said another male candidate who finished back in the nine-candidate pack.

THE WINNERS in an unusually light turnout were:

1. Judith Wiser, 7,470 votes. She taught on the OCC faculty from 1973-81, directed her own ballet company and now is treasurer of Health Care Services. She had run for mayor of Southfield in 1977 and the city council in 1979 and has been active in Democratic politics. She was in the top three of every Observer & Eccentric area district except Birmingham.

2. Margaret MacTavish, 7,353. A one-term incumbent, she is director of human resource management at Macomb Community College. Now a Rochester Hills resident, she previously lived in Birmingham. She ran strongly in every Observer & Eccentric district except Southfield.

3. Norma L. Ross, 7,353. Director of community education in Madison Heights, she ran strongly in the southeast portion of the county, Southfield and Troy. She admitted to "little direct contact" with OCC previously.

Hackett, of Rochester Hills, ran only 183 votes behind Ross to finish



Judith Wiser  
finishes first



Margaret MacTavish  
re-elected



Norma L. Ross  
newcomer to board



David Hackett  
dumped after 22 years

in fourth place. A retired Detroit teacher, Hackett shrugged at his first defeat since the early 1960s: "I've got a other things I can do."

Incumbent Edward Pappas, a Farmington Hills attorney, did not seek re-election.

THE NEW trustees are tentatively

scheduled to take office at an organizational meeting July 7. They will be sworn in for six-year terms in unpaid jobs.

The board will have five women and two men. Holdover members are Earl Anderson of Madison Heights, Chairperson Suzanne Reynolds of West Bloomfield, Vice-

Chairperson Sandra Ritter of Waterford and Douglas Wakefield of Southfield.

Geographically, the board members are residents of Southfield (two), Madison Heights (two), Rochester Hills, Waterford Township and West Bloomfield Township.

The four women in the nine-candi-

date field finished 1-2-3-5, making it clear that again it was "the year of the women" in an OCC race.

Winners in the 1984 OCC race gathered 14,000 and 8,200 votes. Thus, the 7,300 votes it took to be elected this year indicated a small turnout — "an awfully light vote," said Hackett. No official figure was

immediately available for the total voter turnout, but individual districts indicated the vote was light.

WISER WAS the only candidate who advertised extensively, in a race usually won by word-of-mouth and quiet group endorsements.

She declined to discuss where besides Observer & Eccentric Newspapers she advertised saying, "I really don't remember tonight" as votes were tallied in the OCC board's Bloomfield Hills headquarters.

She also declined to count her previous attempts to run office in Southfield, saying, "I'm not giving an interview."

The OCC race was virtually a non-contest, with no groups holding forums for candidates or making public endorsements.

Here is how the rest of the field finished:

Hackett, 6,840; Ruth Bornstein, Southfield, 5,220; John A. Etch, Southfield, 4,653; Franklin A. Burn, West Bloomfield, 3,554; Ben Colley, Hazel Park, 3,424; and Paul Fugle, Rochester Hills, 3,009.

## OCC commencement has 'record' crowd

Traditional graduations are back — at least at Oakland Community College.

"Actually, we planned on 500 or so like last year, but 270 more showed up than we anticipated," said registrar Charles W. Kurzer.

So in the final minutes last Friday before commencement ceremonies in the Pontiac Silverdome, OCC staff members set up additional seats on the arena floor.

Altogether, 770 of the 2,015 students who earned degrees during the last year at the two-year college showed up for the ceremony — a record. Many don't know because they have transferred to a four-year college or taken jobs elsewhere.

Another 8,000 friends and relatives crowded the stands, exhausting the supply of programs.

CHANCELLOR R. Stephen Nicholson, presiding at his first graduation since taking the top office last fall, said that of the degree earners:

• 800 were enrolled in career or applied science programs.

• More than 800 were enrolled in liberal arts, science and business administration programs for transfer to four-year colleges.

• 200 received general studies degrees or one-year certificates in vocational-technical fields.

• 15 full-time OCC employees were in the ranks.

THE FINAL presentation — 1986 OCC merit-based alumni award — went to William R. Garcia, an Oakland University professor.

A one-time financial-aid student, Garcia graduated from OCC in 1971, went on to earn a doctorate at

Wayne State University in 1983, and was appointed OU associate professor of rhetoric, communications and journalism in 1985.

She had to be whisked to the Silverdome from downtown Detroit where, earlier in the evening, she was presented with the 1988 teaching excellence award by the OU Black Alumni Association. She was the only non-minority OU faculty member ever so honored.

OCC ALSO honored three distinguished instructors:

Kay Hilfinger, Birmingham resi-

dent who teaches science at the Auburn Hills Campus; Charles Shuler, Farmington Hills resident who teaches English and philosophy at the Oxford Hills Campus; and Richard Taylor, Milford resident who teaches math at the Highland Lakes Campus.

Also recognized was the late Lauri Corlum, who taught communication for 15 years at the Southeast Campus.

Retiring employees given emer-

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