



Vice President of Business job criteria revealed

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As a result of Vice President of Business Services Deanna Walston's retirement after this semester, Ohlone is accepting job applications to fill the position.

The position entails being the chief financial officer for the district and is responsible for the financial wellbeing and goals of the school. In addition, the VP will work closely with President Doug Treadway to oversee fiscal planning. "In the years coming, we're going to have a lot of construction and remodel-

ing," said Treadway.

According to the V.P. of Business Services pamphlet, one of the responsibilities will be to "Supervise all maintenance and construction contracts and the District's facilities development and building construction program." In addition, the position will also be responsible for maintenance of the building on school property.

Treadway has commented, "We've had very strong financial officer responsibility." In the coming weeks, Treadway will set up a selection committee to review applicants. "I think the person needs to

be a good communicator with staff and students and environmentally conscious," said Treadway.

The committee will be chosen and headed by Treadway. The committee will also have a student and a member from the board of trustees. The job posting will close March 23.

Current Vice President Walston will leave a legacy of fiscal responsibility. Hired in 1996, Walston was responsible for bringing the school out of debt after the construction of the Gary Soren Smith Center and fought to get the school off the state's financial watch list. Once she

succeeded, she was able to focus her efforts to work on Bond Measure A, which funded the Newark Center for Health Sciences and Technology campus which is currently under construction.

Walston plans to take time off for herself after her retirement. Having roots in Chicago, in June Walston and her husband will be going to visit the Windy City. She also plans to visit the Scandinavian countries in June, going to Norway, Denmark and Sweden.

One of the reasons she chose Sweden is her Swedish heritage. "I think it's just a pretty place to

visit. Also, the standard of living is very high; the government is very supportive of families," said Walston.

Walston, although retired, is still planning to remain active and is hoping to do work as a consultant or interim for vacant positions. She is also looking forward to working with the Palo Alto Library. She's promised that after she retired she would help arrange book sales. But she's really looking forward to spending more time in her garden and with her family.

July 1 is when the new V.P. will begin work.

Seminar highlights Alliant's course offerings at Ohlone

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Alliant International University, which offers its private courses at Ohlone, held a transfer seminar presentation with a variety of university representative speakers on Tuesday.

Alliant is a private university based out of San Diego, and was created in the merger of several preexisting schools - Alliant University, the California School of Professional Psychology and the United States International University. Since last year, Alliant has been offering courses at Ohlone, both physical and online, as part

of a new educational model featuring the merits of both a private institution and that of a community college. It remains, as speaker and Vice President of Undergraduate Education Dr. Eric Gravenberg said, "Still a work in progress."

Alliant courses, while offered at their normal rates of about \$500 a unit versus Ohlone's \$20, offer much by way of real-world experience and in providing more educational oomph in less time than standard courses. It is the prohibitive expense that has thus far causes enrollment to be low, according to Alliant representatives.

The seminar proper featured several Alliant speakers who focused

on the element of self-improvement - that this is the goal, one that Alliant, but not necessarily Alliant alone, wanted to help facilitate.

The Alliant transfer program courses available at Ohlone so far are in Business Administration (available on campus or online), International Business Administration and Psychology. All programs seek to have students ready to get jobs right after graduation or pursue graduate studies in the fields.

Several more transfer seminars will be held on March 20, April 24, and May 22. For more information, contact Angela Jemmott, Alliant Transfer Coordinator at (510) 979-7543 or ajemmott@alliant.edu.

Building 7 removal to affect parking

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College Vice President of Business Services Deanna Walston and Vice President of Student Services Ron Travenick briefed the Associated Students of Ohlone College (ASOC) during their last meeting on the upcoming demolition of Building 7 and certain possible consequences. Building 7 will be torn down to make room for a new Student Services center.

In summer, parking lots O and B will be closed during the project's duration. Walston said this would likely cause a rise in the price of parking permits and that it is also a possibility that the daily passes could be abolished in favor of semester passes. The faculty parking lot N is being considered as an alternative. Since parking lots O and B provide the majority of the campus' disabled parking spaces, parking lot N is also being considered for disabled parking.

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