

# Community College System Hires President

New York administrator to run PCC system



Preston Pulliams

Dr. Preston Pulliams, a college administrator from New York, has been named the new president of Portland Community College. The choice was made public Thursday during a meeting of the PCC board of directors.

Pulliams, an African-American educator from Albany, N.Y., currently oversees 30 community colleges and related activities as vice-chancellor for Community Colleges for the State University of New York. He will begin his duties at PCC in

June, overseeing three campuses, five workforce training centers, a student enrollment of almost 100,000 students, and a \$130 million general fund budget.

"I am very honored and deeply

better."

Pulliams, 58, holds a doctorate in education administration from the University of Michigan, a master's in counseling and personnel from Western Michigan University, a

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appreciate the confidence of the board and the selection committee," said Pulliams. "Portland Community College is an outstanding school with a national reputation for excellence. I look forward to coming to a great institution in a great city."

PCC Board Chair Bob Palmer praised Pulliams for his extensive experience and ability to forge partnerships.

"He is also an educator who will work hard for students," Palmer said. "This has been an extensive presidential selection process and the end result could not have been

bachelor's degree in social science from Michigan State University and an associate's degree from Muskegon Community College.

Before holding the position of vice chancellor position in New York, Pulliams served as president of Orange County Community College in Middletown, New York, from 1997-2003. Before that, he served as president of the Highland Lakes Campus of the Oakland Community College District in Bloomfield Hills, Mich., and vice president for student affairs at the Community College of Philadelphia in Philadelphia, Pa.

## Ask Deanna!

Real People, Real Advice  
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Dear Deanna!

I feel like my man lies about sex. When it's time for intimacy, he rolls over and claims he can't get it up because he's impotent. In the morning, he apologizes by saying he thinks about me and wants to have sex but he can't because of his problem. I've danced nude and dressed in Saran Wrap but nothing helps. How can I test him to see if he's really dead in the pants? --Gemika; Natchez, Miss.

Dear Gemika:

Greet him at the door wearing body lotion, high heels and a smile to see if this will help him park the car in the garage. If the engine's still dead come together as a couple and visit his physician. The best thing going right now is Viagra. If he really wants to keep his motor running, this little blue miracle coupled with your patience and understanding will bring both of you long hard nights with plenty of fireworks.

Dear Deanna!

Men don't tell this, but my lady friend has turned into a nymphomaniac and I can't handle it. She would rather be in bed instead of the office. She would rather be on the kitchen table instead of

putting food on it. I can't get anything done and she's turned me into a wet noodle. When I complain with fatigue or headache, she gets violent and I have to have sex under stress. How can I help her? --Anonymous; Pittsburgh

Dear Anonymous:

Put yourself on a schedule that jives with her momentum. Then purchase a vibrator along with plenty of batteries and attempt to help her understand your concerns. Let her know that physically you'll accommodate her as much as possible and other times she can get close and personal with her new toy. Eventually, she'll miss the warmth of intimacy and will slowly adjust back to a decent schedule.

Dear Deanna!

I almost went off on a stranger in the grocery store. I was shopping and looked up and saw my boyfriend's jacket floating down the canned food aisle. He swore up and down somebody stole his coat. To get a closer look, I walked up and spoke to the lady. She had on his jacket with his name monogrammed exactly the way I bought it along with his picture on a key chain. What do I do about this? --Tressie; Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Tressie:

You did right by not making a fool of yourself in public. Your boyfriend has another woman and you either confront him head on or keep rolling dumb in the dark. If she proudly flaunts his photo, the encounter wasn't a one-night stand and it's serious if she's wearing his clothes. Tell your boyfriend what you saw, you want the jacket back immediately, and the other woman has to go. If he says no, goes into denial or lies about anything...give him the boot and keep it moving.

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## Assembly Plans Political Convention

Local issues, politics lead agenda

The Oregon Assembly for Black Affairs is setting the table for an upcoming political convention. Because this is an election year, the assembly is taking strides to get issues affecting black Oregonians on the public radar.

The event, April 16-18 at the Holiday Inn, 1441 N.E. Second Ave.,

will provide a forum for delegates to discuss issues and endorse candidates running for public office who are sensitive and responsive to black issues.

A pre-convention gathering for young African Americans wishing to get involved in the political process is also scheduled.

"Focus on Youth" is designed to get black young people talking about campaigns and discussing ways to get involved. It's set to begin at 7:30 p.m. April 16, also at the Holiday Inn. There is \$15 regis-

tration fee for pre-convention activity with a \$49 fee for children to attend the general convention.

Adult registration for the convention is \$99 before March 27 and \$110 afterwards. The registration fees include convention material, lunch, dinner, Sunday breakfast, Friday night activity, and break refreshments. Make checks payable to the Oregon Assembly for Black Affairs (OABA), and mail the registration form and check to OBPC-OABA, P.O. BOX 12485, Salem, OR 97330.

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