

**DELTA COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2009
DELTA COLLEGE BOARD ROOM
7:00 p.m.**

- MEMBERS PRESENT** R. Emrich, K. Higgs, K. Houston-Philpot, K. Lawrence-Webster, J. MacKenzie, R. E. Selby R. Stafford, E. Wacksman (by phone)
- MEMBERS ABSENT** T. Lane
- OTHERS PRESENT** J. Goodnow, L. Anklam, B. Baker, K. Baumgarten, P. Clark, P. Graves, L. Govitz, S. Hartshorn, A. Hill, L. Jenkins, R. Jenkins, J. Knochel, E. Kreckman, T. Kubatzke, D. Lutz, L. Myles-Sanders, G. Przygocki, J. Rappaport, D. Redman, S. Romer, D. Salinas, P. Seidel, J. Stahl, T. Stitt, A. Ursuy, S. VanderLaan, B. Webb, K. Wilson
- PRESS PRESENT** P. Brandt (Bay City Times)
- CALL TO ORDER** Board Chair K. Houston-Philpot called the meeting to order at
- PUBLIC COMMENTS** Board Chair K. Houston-Philpot called for comments from the public.

Mid Michigan Community College Trustee, Eric Kreckman,
- ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES** Board Chair K. Houston-Philpot called for additions or corrections to the minutes of the Board Dinner Meeting and Regular Meeting of February 10, 2009. T. Lane made a motion to accept to the minutes. K. Higgs seconded the motion. The January 13 Dinner Meeting Minutes were accepted as submitted.
- TREASURER’S REPORT** D. Lutz informed the Board that at the end of January, the College is seeing record high enrollment for the winter semester. As a result, revenue from tuition and fees is higher than budgeted. She added our investment income is lower than budgeted. There are no other major variances to report at this time. R. Stafford made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report. K. Lawrence-Webster seconded the motion. The Treasurer’s Report was accepted as submitted.
- COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE
BA4740** It is the recommendation of the Nominating Committee to confirm the election of the Secretary to the Board (Leslie Myles-Sanders) and the Treasurer to the Board (Debra Lutz). K. Lawrence-Webster supported the recommendation. Motion passed unanimously.
- ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS --PRESIDENT’S REPORT – GIFTS TO THE COLLEGE** Dr. Goodnow reported the following contributions for January 2009: the Foundation received \$83,579.00; Delta Public Broadcasting received \$75,430.00; for a monthly combined total of \$159,009.00.
- PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- **Gifts to the College for the month of February 2009 (note: Gift reports are now found in the Board Packet)**

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Delta College Foundation – \$22,293
Delta Public Broadcasting - \$42,662
Monthly combined total – \$64,955

- Winter semester began on Saturday, January 10. Student count day was January 21. 11,021 students are enrolled this semester. 4,157 are enrolled in 12 or more credits. 6,864 have registered for 11 credits or less.
- We are working with Saginaw Future on employment possibilities in the anchor zone surrounding Hemlock Semiconductor. I will be sharing more information with you next month.
- Channel 19, WDCQ, of Delta College has won a gold Ava Award from the Association of Marketing and Communication Professionals for its documentary "Tracks Through Time: Michigan's Railroading History." And its concert special, "From Manhattan to Midland at Molly's," received an honorable mention. It featured a jazz concert at Molly's Bistro in Midland, featuring both local and international performers. The Ava Awards honor outstanding work in concert, writing, direction, shooting and editing of audiovisual materials and programs. More than 2,000 entries were received from throughout the nation and beyond. In the past year, Channel 19 has won 15 state and national awards for its work in local productions. Congratulations to Barry Baker and the dedicated staff in the Broadcasting Department!
- On Friday, February 20, I attended three community events. In the morning, I attended SVSU's Legislative Breakfast with Trustee, Robert Stafford. At least 3 of the legislators mentioned Delta College during their comments. In addition, Senator Jim Barcia voiced his commitment to getting our Allied Health Renovation Project funded.

Following the Legislative Breakfast, I attended Senator Debbie Stabenow's visit to the Dow Corning Solar Solutions Center. Senator Stabenow has been an advocate for alternative energy development in the United States. During her comments to the media, Senator Stabenow made several positive statements about Delta College. At the Saginaw Future, Inc. Annual Meeting, I was pleased and honored to hear more positive comments by Senator Stabenow, Congressman Dave Camp, and Richard Dournbos, President and CEO of Hemlock Semiconductor Corporation regarding the value of Delta College in the community.

- The International Conference for Post-Secondary leaders was held recently in Nashville TN. Delta was represented by 8 participants including 7 division chairs. The chairs presented a session entitled "Council of Chairs PERFORMS: A high performing leadership

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team at work". This session described the Council of Chairs at Delta which is made up of 8 academic leaders who gather on a weekly basis to discuss issues facing individual departments, academic divisions, and the entire college. This collegial group is a great example of a highly effective team.

Trevor Kubatzke was the 8th member attending the conference. Trevor serves on the International Practitioners board for the academy helping shape the leadership opportunities for aspiring leaders worldwide including Canada, Australia, and the Netherlands. Trevor accepted, on behalf of Delta, a plaque of appreciation from the academy. Delta's commitment to educating tomorrow's leaders is a perfect match with the mission of the academy "To design and promote world-class training programs and services to advance academic and administrative leadership for post-secondary institutions world-wide in an era of change."

Delta also helped sponsor a Key note speaker, Harold Ford Jr. Harold Ford Jr. served Tennessee in the United States Congress for ten years. Described by President Bill Clinton as "the walking, living embodiment of where America ought to go in the 21st Century", he is now Chairman of the Democratic Leadership Council, a news analyst for NBC and MSNBC, and a visiting Professor of Public Policy at Vanderbilt University. Ford is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, where he earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree in American History, and the University of Michigan Law School. His words provided encouragement on the vital role higher education must and will play in the ever changing economy.

- Delta College will host the 16th Annual Employment Fair on Tuesday, March 17, 2009. You are all invited to join us for lunch at 11:30 a.m. that day!
- In your folders you will find an invitation to the "Faces of Kenya" reception that will be held on Sunday, March 22, 2009. This special event will help us celebrate the 20th anniversary of our partnership with our sister college, the Rift Valley Institute of Science and Technology in Nakuru, and also our newer partnership with Tracom College in Nakuru. The event begins at 2:30 p.m.
- Tomorrow morning, March 11, we will be hosting the "Building Regional Path Connections – Trails Summit." We expect that over 100 community members will be on our campus to talk about joining our communities together through the trails system.

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TRUSTEE COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

R. Emrich made a motion to adjourn the meeting with support from K. Lawrence-Webster. There being no further business, Board Chair Houston-Philpot adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Myles-Sanders, Board Secretary

Andrea Ursuy, Recording Secretary

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