

**DELTA COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
BOARD ROOM
TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2012
7:00 p.m.**

- MEMBERS PRESENT** K. Ellison, R. Emrich, K. Higgs, K. Houston-Philpot, K. Lawrence-Webster, R. E. Selby, R. Stafford, E. Wacksman
- MEMBERS ABSENT** J. MacKenzie
- OTHERS PRESENT** J. Goodnow, B. Baker, T. Boudrot, P. Clark, C. Curtis, L. Dull, S. Enriquez, A. Givens, L. Govitz, P. Graves, T. Grunow, G. Hoffman, L. Holoman, R. Lacina, T. Lane, G. Luczak, D. Lutz, J. Miller, M. Moore, C. Morley, M. Mosqueda, L. Myles-Sanders, J. Niester-Mika, G. Przygocki, C. Rabideau, L. Ramseyer, J. Stahl, T. Stitt, A. Trabalka, A. Ursuy, B. Webb, S. Whitney, M. Wiltse, M. Wood
- PRESS PRESENT** J. Becker (Midland Daily News), J. Hall (WSGW)
- CALL TO ORDER** Board Chair Emrich called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA** Board Chair Emrich called for approval of the agenda. The Board unanimously approved the agenda.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS** Board Chair Emrich called for public comments. There were no public comments.
- TREASURER'S REPORT** D. Lutz said that at the end of February, the College remains in solid cash position with solid cash flow. She said that she has no new variances to report.
- CONSENT AGENDA** Board Chair Emrich called for approval of the consent agenda. K. Higgs made a motion to approve the consent agenda with support from K. Ellison.
- The Board unanimously approved the consent agenda, accepting the minutes of the Board Dinner Meeting and Regular Meeting that was held on February 21, 2012. The Datatel server replacement purchase (BA4921) was also approved as part of the consent agenda.
- BOARD ACTION 4922** It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the selection of J. R. Heineman & Sons of Saginaw, Michigan to furnish all labor and materials to complete the C-Wing Microbiology Renovations and Addition project based on their bid of \$559,226. K. Higgs made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from E. Wacksman. The motion passed unanimously.
- BOARD ACTION** It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the

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4923 selection of Wobig Construction, Inc. of Saginaw, Michigan to furnish all labor and materials to complete the Midland Center Toilet Rooms and Conference Room Renovation project based on their bid of \$133,800.00. K. Higgs made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from K. Houston-Philpot. The motion passed unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORTS**

**WRIT CENTER
(R. Lacina)** Ray Lacina, Chair of the English Division, reported to the Board about the WRIT Center. WRIT stands for “Writing, Reading, and Information Technology.” The Center focuses on helping students succeed in these areas. The information technology area focuses on new media. The Center is led by faculty members Crystal Starkey, Jennifer Niester-Mika, and Angela Trabalka. Students are trained to aid other students through a peer review/peer mentoring process. Usage continues to increase. In 2008, 1000 students used the WRIT Center. In 2010-2011, usage increased to 3019 students.

**PRESIDENT’S
REPORT**

Gifts to the College – February 2012

Foundation – \$233,961.00
Broadcasting – \$51,096.00
Monthly Total - \$285,057.00

Enrollment Report

As of today, 11,482 students are enrolled (4057FT/7425PT) for the Winter 2012 Semester. Registration for spring semester begins today (3/13/12). Registration for fall semester begins on Tuesday, March 27.

Personnel Report

Congratulations to the one-year renewable, full-time ranked, and tenure-track faculty who have been reappointed for the 2012-2013 academic year. The complete list of reappointed faculty members can be found behind the “informational items” tab in Board packets.

Faculty reappointments occur each year in accordance with Senate Policy 3.008, *Appointment and Reappointment of Tenure Track Faculty: Policy and Procedures*.

A complete report of hires and separations for the month of January 2012 can be found in Board Packets this evening.

Legislative Update

Trustee Selby will be attending the MCCA Spring Board of Directors Meeting March 15 – 16. The meeting will be hosted by Kalamazoo Community College.

MCCA shares summary updates on pending legislation with us. For your information here is the

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latest information from MCCA.

Bill to Ban “Telephonic” Attendance

The full House of Representative recently passed a bill that would amend the Open Meetings Act to, in effect, prohibit officials from voting other than in person. Under House Bill 5335, if a public official votes other than in person, the meeting would not count as an open meeting. The bill contains no exceptions for medical emergencies or extenuating circumstances. HB 5335 passed the House by a vote of 94 to 11 on February 28, 2012, and is before the Senate Committee on Local Government and Elections.

2 Bills – Public Entity Reporting Requirements

House Bill 5274 would create a new act requiring public entities, including community colleges, to prepare a list beginning June 30, 2012, of all contracts at least \$25,000 in value that were entered into or were in effect at any time during the past 12 months. The information would need to be posted on the web and updated at least monthly.

House Bill 5196 would create a new act requiring employers, including community colleges, to report to the Department of Technology, Management, and Budget by June 1, of each year on the number of full-time equivalent employees and the total annual wages and cost of benefits for all employees, broken down by job classification. The bill would also require that we report the terms of each severance payment agreement entered into since the last reporting period. This information would be posted publicly on a website.

Appropriations

The House and Senate have indicated that they do not like the Governor’s proposed distribution method for the 3% funding increase for community colleges. As a result, Senator Booher has requested that the MCCA develop a “best practices” approach to funding. The MCCA Performance Funding Committee and the Legislative Committee are developing a recommendation that includes 3 functional categories with the 15 activities that would be used to allocate the funding.

Elimination of the Personal Property Tax

The elimination of the personal property tax continues to be a concern for community colleges. If the personal property tax were eliminated without a stable funding replacement, Delta College would lose \$2.7 million per year in funding.

Newsworthy

- The Service-Learning Team at Delta College received this year’s Liberal Arts Network for Development (LAND) Institutional Excellence Award. The Service-Learning Team includes Karen Wilson, Teresa Stitt, Michelle White, and Nancy Vader-McCormick. Congratulations, team!

The award was presented at the 2012 LAND Conference on Friday, February 17, in Traverse City, Michigan. The team was presented with a commemorative plaque and a check for

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\$1,000. Delta's Service-Learning Team is donating the \$1000 award to the Service-Learning Department at Delta.

- Congratulations also go to Public Broadcasting. The Spring Fest Q-TV pledge drive went from March 3 – 11. The goal was \$41,000. The pledge goal was exceeded by \$17,916 for a grand total of \$58,916.
- Delta College has received five ADDY Awards from our local chapter for the Great Lakes Bay Region.

The marketing team has done an excellent job of working together creatively and this is just further evidence of their success!

They have won for these projects:

- Share Your Story radio campaign (silver)
- 50th Anniversary TV commercial (silver)
- 50th Anniversary total campaign (silver)
- Pioneering Our Future: Delta College's First 50 Years - book (gold)
- Delta College Foundation - A Chocolate Affair campaign (silver)

The gold award for the 50-year history book means it is automatically forwarded to a broader regional competition. If another gold award is received there, it would then go on to the national competition.

The ADDY® Awards, sanctioned by the American Advertising Federation, honor excellence in advertising and cultivate the highest creative standards in the industry.

Congratulations to Leanne Govitz and the marketing team!!!

- Delta College has applied for and received a grant in the amount of \$391,200.00 to be used to provide back-up power for the dissemination of WARN alert messages. The funding covers a generator at the WDCQ transmitter site located in Quanicassee, a generator located at the Transmitter building on campus, and a partial coverage of two generators for the main campus. The generators installation and testing is to be completed by October 31st, 2012. After hurricane Katrina FEMA created the Warning Alert and Response Network or WARN to provide emergency alerts to licensed cellular providers who then transmit them to their subscribers or users. Delta College's WDCQ, as being part of the PBS system, provides a back-up path to cellular providers for WARN alert messages.

In folders this evening

Dr. Goodnow told the Trustees that there were several informational items in their folders for review. Those items were:

- This month's Fantastic Faculty newsletter.
- An invitation to our 5th annual Legislative Luncheon which will take place on Friday, May 11, 2012.

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- An invitation to the President’s Champions for Diversity and Inclusion Awards Breakfast. The breakfast will take place on April 11 at 8:30 a.m.
- An invitation to Delta College’s Nineteenth Annual Employment Fair on Friday, March 30. There will be a luncheon buffet in N007 from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. that day.
- An article from the Winter 2012 Council for Resource Development’s magazine, *Dispatch*. The article was written by Pam Clark and discusses our business partnerships, chemical processing program, and Governor Snyder’s visit.

Dr. Goodnow said that Board Secretary and General Counsel, Leslie Myles-Sanders, had an announcement. Leslie announced that after 25 years at Delta College and 50 years in the workforce, she will be retiring at the end of June. The Trustees and members of the public in attendance applauded Leslie for her years of dedicated service to Delta College.

**TRUSTEE
COMMENTS**

Board Chair Lane said that on behalf of the Board, he would like to thank Leslie Myles-Sanders for her service to the College and to the Board.

E. Wacksman said that Tom Lane gave an excellent presentation at the Bay Future Annual Meeting. She said that she is proud to be associated with Delta College.

K. Ellison congratulated Trustee Houston-Philpot on receiving the Athena Award.

K. Houston-Philpot said that there will be a fundraiser to benefit the Saginaw Promise Zone on April 24 at the Temple Theater. The event will feature Erving “Magic” Johnson as the speaker.

K. Houston-Philpot announced that she will be retiring for Dow Corning after 32 years of service. The retirement will be effective at the end of March. She will be remaining in the area.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Board Chair Emrich adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Myles-Sanders, Board Secretary

Andrea Ursuy, Recording Secretary

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