

DELTA COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
Delta College Main Campus
Tuesday, January 21, 2014
7:00 p.m.

- BOARD PRESENT** R. Emrich, K. Houston-Philpot, K. Lawrence-Webster, J. MacKenzie, M. Nash, M. Rowley, E. Selby, R. Stafford, E. Wacksman
- OTHERS PRESENT** J. Goodnow, J. Badour, B. Baker, C. Bassett, D. Bibbs, V. Bledsoe, T. Brady, T. Brown, P. Clark, E. Crane, C. Curtis, J. Dorcey, B. Ernat, M. Ford, D. Freed, A. French, D. Goodrow-Hillier, L. Govitz, J. Graham, C. Hadsall, T. Heinz, R. Hillier, G. Kariem, A. Kemp, G. Luczak, D. Lutz, C. McNair, C. Merrill, J. Merrill, J. Miller, D. Mitchell, M. Mosqueda, A. O’Neal, D. Peruski, G. Przygocki, L. Ramseyer, D. Salinas, K. Schuler, A. Sohn, J. Sowmick, T. Stitt, T. Trombley, L. Ullrich, A. Ursuy, B. Webb, S. Witzke, R. Woods, R. Zeiss
- PRESS PRESENT** K. Lutz & K. Skrzypczak (Delta Collegiate), J. Hall (WSGW), L. Knake (M- Live)
- CALL TO ORDER** Board Chair, R. Stafford, called the meeting to order at 7:19 p.m.
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA** Board Chair, R. Stafford, called for approval of the agenda.
The agenda was approved as presented.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS** Board Chair, R. Stafford, called for public comment.
- Cheryl Hadsall, Saginaw County Board of Commissioners, representing the 7th District, said that she hopes that the Board decides that Delta College should remain in Buena Vista. She said that she represents people in areas such as Birch Run, Albee, and Bridgeport. People in this district are concerned that if the Center is moved to a different location it will be too far away and not as accessible. She also added that she was at the meeting as a member of the Birch Run High School Scholarship Foundation Board.
- Jessie Merrill, a resident of Buena Vista Township and a Delta College student, said that he would like to see the Delta College Saginaw Center remain in Buena Vista. He noted that for many students who come from outside the district it is an accessible site.
- Charisma Bassett, Buena Vista resident and Delta College student said that Ricker is like another home to students in Buena Vista and Bridgeport. She encouraged the College to remain in Buena Vista.
- Gerald Kariem, resident of Saginaw County and UAW representative, encouraged the Board to carefully consider the Buena Vista site.

Dexter Mitchell, Buena Vista Township Supervisor, said that the township has had an excellent relationship for 20+ years. He said he would like to see that relationship continue. He added that any decision will be a win for Saginaw.

Dawn Goodrow-Hillier, resident and business owner, from the City of Saginaw, encouraged the College to move downtown and help to revitalize the downtown core.

Tom Trombley, Downtown Saginaw Associate Representative, said that the Downtown area would like to be a strong partner with Delta College.

Jim Graham, Buena Vista DDA, thanked Delta College and the Board for including Buena Vista as part of this process. He said that Buena Vista has a lot to offer and he would like to “welcome Delta College back” to Buena Vista.

Desmond Bibbs, Buena Vista DDA and PNC Bank Representative, said he hopes Delta College will remain in Buena Vista and said that PNC Bank is invested in education and would have resources to offer in the future.

Amos O’Neal, City of Saginaw, thanked the Board and the College for their commitment to Saginaw. He said that the data shows that Delta College should move into the Downtown Saginaw Area.

TREASURER’S REPORT

D. Lutz said that at the end of the month of December, the College remains in solid cash position. Enrollment for the Winter 2014 semester is down about 1,900 credit hours which equates to approximately \$250,000 in lost revenue for the College. D. Lutz said at this time she has no additional variances to report.

CONSENT AGENDA

R. Emrich asked that, item D, Senate Policy 3.055, Professional Development Allowance, be removed from the consent agenda.

M. Rowley made a motion to approve the amended consent agenda with support from R. E. Selby. The consent agenda passed unanimously resulting in:

- Acceptance of Minutes:
 1. Board Dinner Meeting, December 10, 2013
 2. Board Regular Meeting, December 10, 2013
- Approval of the Board of Trustees 2014 Regular Meeting Schedule **(BA5039)**
- Approval of the 2017 Academic Calendar **(BA5040)**

**SENATE POLICY 3.055,
PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT
ALLOWANCE (BA5041)**

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve revisions to Senate Policy 3.055, Professional Development Allowance.

M. Rowley made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from R. E. Selby.

R. Emrich said that he thinks that there should be a revision to the policy because there is a difference between “deductible” and “reimbursable.”

D. Lutz gave an overview on the reason for the policy revision and said that the changes were made in accordance with IRS guidelines.

K. Lawrence-Webster made a motion to approve the recommendation to include a reference to IRS Publication 15B with support from R. Emrich.

Following discussion, R. Emrich moved the previous question. The motion to amend the recommendation failed unanimously.

The original motion passed unanimously.

**SOUTH CAMPUS SITE
IMPROVEMENTS –
WARRANTY REPAIRS
(BA5042)**

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the payment of \$150,000 to Champagne and Marx Excavating, Inc. of Saginaw for the installation of drainage tile and “betterment” received as part of the warranty repairs associated with the South Campus Site Improvements project.

K. Lawrence-Webster made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from M. Rowley.

R. Emrich asked E. Crane if the Board could go into closed session to discuss. E. Crane said that she was going to provide a conservative opinion and say no due to the fact that there is currently no pending litigation on this matter and there was a waiver of attorney client privilege when the information was shared with individuals in addition to the attorney and client. This occurred when Larry Ramseyer’s memo explaining the background information was placed in the Board packet.

R. Emrich said in the future, this information should not be published. R. E. Selby said that he is frustrated that the privilege was waived (and not by the Board).

Motion passed unanimously.

**STUDENT SUCCESS
REPORT – Delta
College Photo Club**

Faculty Club Advisor, Rebecca Zeiss, and Students Adam Stone and Austin Kemp reported on the activities and community contributions of the Delta College Photography Club. The club is fairly new to the College and gives students a chance to talk with one another about the art of photography while giving back to our community.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Enrollment Report

The winter semester began on January 8. As of today (1/21), 9,895 students are enrolled (compared to 10,720 students enrolled in the winter of 2013).

Personnel Report

Dr. Goodnow welcomed Rebecca Hall to Delta College. Rebecca has been appointed Surgical Technology Instructor in the Health & Wellness Division and started this (winter) semester.

A complete report of hires and separations for the month of December can be found in Board packets.

Information Sharing

- The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Luncheon took place yesterday at the Dow Event Center. Congratulations to Dr. Charissa Urbano who was presented with the Delta College Spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Award. Dr. Urbano is a professor in our Biology Department. Dr. Goodnow thanked Trustee Selby and Trustee Lawrence-Webster for attending.
- The following information was included in Trustee folders:
 - a copy of a thank you letter from Tom A. Basil, Chairman of Saginaw Downtown Development Authority.
 - a copy of a thank you letter from James Graham, Chairman of Buena Vista Charter Township Downtown Development Authority.
 - a copy of a letter from Gloria J. Rubis, Superintendent of Bridgeport-Spaulding Community School District thanking the Public Achievement organization at Delta College for their work with Bridgeport High School students and staff. The students created a Martin Luther King, Jr. mosaic that was unveiled yesterday as part of Delta's Martin Luther King, Jr. Day's celebration. It will be permanently displayed at Bridgeport High School.
 - a copy of our student newspaper, the Collegiate.
 - a booklet, "Celebrating LAND 2013 Delta College Winning Entries." This is a program of the student winners of the Liberal Arts Network Development writing contest, organized, run and sponsored by the English Division with additional funding support from Academics. Inney Prakash and his poem, "Brief Encounter," won third place in the statewide LAND Writing Contest and he will be honored at the Doubletree Hotel in Bay City on February 14.

- Two articles from, The Presidency
 - “Rating Obama’s Ratings Plan”
 - “Higher Education’s Higher Accountability”
 - Two articles from, Community College Journal
 - “The Road to Recovery”
 - “Connection Students with Careers”
 - Conflict of Interest Form to be signed and returned to Kay tonight please.
 - Contact Information Form to be completed and returned to Kay also.
- This month’s Fantastic Faculty Newsletter which highlights the professional and community activities of our faculty has been posted to your Box account.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

J. MacKenzie said that “he has no problem with Larry Ramseyer.” He said that he wants us to stand up for ourselves instead of giving in.

M. Rowley said that based on the Attorney General Opinion, the Board could not have gone into closed session to discuss the warranty repairs because there was no pending litigation.

R. E. Selby said that he has no question about the results of the issue with the warranty repairs. His questions and concerns are regarding the process. The Board needs to be able to exercise all rights afforded to it.

He added that Dateline Delta will be aired on Sunday at 3:00 p.m. This month features Delta’s music program and faculty members Brad DeRoche and Tim Hendrickson.

M. Nash thanked Dr. Goodnow for her dinner presentation. He said it was very helpful and informative.

K. Houston-Philpot also thanked Dr. Goodnow for her presentation. She added that the broad spectrum addressed this evening through presentations and Board action speaks volumes about what Delta College does in our community.

E. Wacksman commented that she once took a class at the Delta College International Center. She thanked B. Baker and the staff in Broadcasting for airing a wonderful program on Johnson’s Island. In addition, E. Wacksman spoke about the “Green Book” that Linda Petee worked on publishing and said there will be a special event and exhibit for the book on January 31, at Adigiano in Bay City. She said that the book is about sustainability.

CHAIRS COMMENTS

Board Chair Stafford said that he appreciated all who took the time to share public comments this evening. He congratulated C. Urbano on winning the Spirit of Martin Luther King Jr. Award this year.

Board Chair Stafford also thanked R. Zeiss, A. Stone, and A. Kemp for their wonderful presentation on photography this evening.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Board Chair Stafford adjourned the meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Andrea Ursuy, Board Secretary