

**Delta College  
Board of Trustees  
Dinner Meeting  
August 14, 2018  
Delta College Midland Center**

**Board Present:** M. Benecke, A. Buckley, R. Emrich, K. Lawrence-Webster, D. Middleton, M. Morrissey, M. Nash, K. Peatross, M. Rowley

**Board Absent:** None

**Others Present:** R. Battinkoff, V. Bledsoe, T. Boudrot, N. Bovid, L. Brown, T. Brown, W. Brown, P. Clark, E. Clement, M. Crawmer, R. Curley, S. DuFresne, J. Goodnow, L. Govitz, K. Jajo, M. Jajo, D. Kozma, P. Larkowski, S. Lewless, J. Miller, T. Nadolski, K. Nelson, G. Przygocki, D. Ramaker, R. Rathbun, K. Schuler, A. Ursuy, R. Vallentine, B. Webb

**Press Present:** K. Carlson, Midland Daily News; A. Chodnicki, NBC 25/FOX 66; J. Gonzales NBC 25/FOX 66

Board Chair, R. Emrich called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm. R. Emrich then turned the meeting over to Jean Goodnow, President of Delta College who then introduced Doug Kozma from SmithGroup JJR. J. Goodnow started the Midland Center presentation with an introduction noting that the current Midland Center has needed repairs of \$7.8 million. This includes roof replacement, asbestos removal, and a new HVAC system among other needs. Delta College has commissioned SmithGroup to document community need and future program offerings, help search for potential new sites and help to assess sites based on the Board of Trustees' criteria.

D. Kozma began by highlighting some of the new developments that are taking place in downtown Midland. They included the Poseyville Bridge Plaza, Ellsworth Place, Fairfield Inn & Suites and the South Riverfront Restoration with a future pedestrian bridge. He also reviewed with the Board the site selection criteria that was used for the Saginaw Center. Those include: asset adjacencies/amenities; feasibility/availability, image and visibility; land use and development constraints; site size and configuration; transportation; utilities and infrastructure; cost and parking.

Based on the requirements of the building, parking and other elements it was determined that the site would need to be .94 – 1.2 acres. The proposed site location is the corner of Ellsworth and Cronkright Streets. D. Kozma displayed a map showing the site location in regards to asset adjacencies and amenities also including current and possible future developments. The proposed site is 1 acre and is zoned in the downtown district.

D. Kozma noted the high visibility of this location. He also shared with the Board maps indicating the amount of vehicular and non-motorized circulation surrounding the proposed site. In regards to parking there are several options including potential dedicated parking in Larkin Garage (100), city parking within Larkin Garage (100), parking at Townsend and Larkin (70) and proposed on-site parking (35).

Feasibility and flexibility in regards to parcel ownership was also discussed. The Tadpole Group LLC owns two buildings on the corner of Buttles and Townsend Streets. Other parcels within that square block are owned by the Dow Chemical Company and Chemical Bank.

The proposed site would house a 2 to 3 story building on the most visible corner of Cronkright and Ellsworth. An entry plaza would be placed at the corner of Townsend and Ellsworth. On-site parking and vehicular drop-off would be off of Cronkright Street and a dedicated bus drop-off on Ellsworth Street. D. Kozma shared with the Board visual depictions of what the new center might look like.

J. Goodnow then shared that enrollment for the new center is expected to reach 650, an increase from the current 400-500 each year. The Midland Center would offer STEM, transfer and health related courses and programs; career exploration for local high school and dual enrolled students; current technologies that enable and excite students as well as flexible, innovative education solutions.

The new center would also incorporate various partnership opportunities. We would partner with area K-12 school districts. There would be partnerships with various 4-year universities such as:

- Northwood University – business, accounting, hospitality;
- Michigan State University – supply chain, agriculture;
- Central Michigan University – science, medicine;
- Ferris State University – cyber security, computer science; and
- University of Michigan – Innovation Institute, to explore sustainability, technology, manufacturing.

Delta College would also work with local business leaders such as The Dow Chemical Company and MidMichigan Health among others.

J. Goodnow also shared various naming opportunities with a \$4 million donation from the Dow Chemical Company Foundation, plus \$2 million from the Dow Corning Foundation. The Dow red diamond logo will be included on the outside of the new building. Other signage includes “Andrew N. Liveris Innovation Institute” on outdoor sign; University of Michigan logo on the same sign; lobby signage recognizing all major donors; and Andrew N. Liveris recognition sign in lobby.

J. Goodnow gave a breakdown of the \$13 million in anticipated total cost for the new Midland Center and the sources of anticipated revenue totaling \$13 million. She finished the presentation highlighting the timeline and next steps.

- August 2018: site recommendation to the Delta College Board of Trustees for approval
- September 2018: architectural firm recommendation to the Delta College Board of Trustees
- September 2018 – August 2019: architectural design of building
- October 2018: construction manager firm recommendation to the Delta College Board of Trustees
- August 2019: ground breaking
- September 2019: construction starts
- August 2020: construction completion

There being no further business, the dinner meeting was adjourned at 6:54 pm.

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Talisa Brown, Assistant Board Secretary

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