

**DELTA COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
DINNER MEETING
April 8, 2008
Delta College Midland Center**

Board Present: R. Emrich, K. Higgs, K. Houston-Philpot, K. Lawrence-Webster, J. MacKenzie, E. Selby, B. Stafford, D. Wacksman

Board Absent: T. Lane

Others Present: J. Goodnow, D. Lutz, L. Myles-Sanders, B. Baker, T. Betancourt, T. Bushong, P. Clark, M. Cooper, P. Dill, C. Drouse, K. Ellison, S. Goddard, L. Govitz, P. Graves, T. Grunow, D. Halog, D. Harris, R. Holtman, C. Kobel, T. Kubatzke, J. Mahoney, J. Miller, S. Montesi, C. Morley, M. Mosqueda, L. Ramseyer, P. Seidel, J. Stahl, T. Stitt, A. Ursuy, B. Webb, C. Wilson, K. Wilson, M. Wiltse, K. Wolf, A. Wolfe, M. Wood

Press Present: P. Brandt

Chairperson Earl Selby called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Dr. Pat Graves described Delta's Midland area educational partnerships, and introduced Dr. Kathy Ellison, Director of Curriculum, Midland Public Schools. She described the Saginaw Valley Tech Prep Partnership, and past, present, and future partnerships in three areas where there are high-wage, high-skill, and high-demand jobs: Chemical Process Technology, Welding, and Health Care.

All Midland County school districts, the Midland County Educational Service Agency, the Midland County Chamber of Commerce Educational Partnership and Mi-Tech+ actively participate in Tech Prep (as well as the K-12 school districts and business / education partnerships in Arenac, Bay, and Saginaw Counties). Tech Prep is a linkage grant to assist students to successfully transition from high school to college. Though Tech Prep, curriculum alignment and agreements for high school students to obtain academic credit at Delta College for courses they've taken at their high school have reduced duplication of effort and increased enrollment of Midland students at Delta.

Dow Chemical, Dow Corning, and Hemlock Semiconductor have identified the need for 125 chemical process technologists annually for the next 5 years. Following a meeting last April with Dow Chemical, Dow Corning, Hemlock Semiconductor, Michigan Works!, the Midland Educational Service Agency and Mi-Tech+, coordinated marketing and outreach efforts were initiated. Over 1,000 people attended a Career Fair held at the Dow Event Center on June 4th. Delta College's chemical process enrollment increased from 53 to at least 163 students. There are additional students who are taking courses in the curriculum but have not declared chemical process as their major. Michigan Works! increased their commitment and supported 34 students at Delta College starting the Fall 2007 semester. Eleven scholarships were awarded through Mi-Tech+. High school dual enrollment also increased.

To support the high demand for welders in the Tri-County area, a new Welding program was piloted during the Winter 2008 semester. In partnership with the Midland Public Schools and Mi-Tech+, 13 Midland High School students are dual enrolled in 2 welding courses. Financial support is provided by Midland Public Schools (tuition) and Mi-Tech+ (transportation and fees). Additional discussion is being held to determine if the program can continue during Fall 2008.

Responding to the demand for qualified nurses and health care professionals in the region, a dual enrollment program in healthcare will begin next fall between the Midland Public Schools, Mid-Michigan Regional Medical Center and Delta College. The schools are responsible for nominating students who have completed pre-requisites in high school, Delta College is conducting on-site assessment at the school to determine college readiness, and following assessment, the schools will make the final selection. Classroom activities will be held at Delta College's Midland Center with clinical and cooperative education experiences held at Mid-Michigan Regional Medical Center. Successful students will become certified nursing assistants. By becoming certified, these students can work and earn money while they are attending college.

Sue Montesi gave an overview of the college's Crisis Management Plan and its objectives, and introduced the Crisis Management Team which has been working to update the Plan over the past year. Trevor Kubatzke reviewed the information which appears on the College web site, and introduced Mike Wiltse.

Mr. Wiltse described the college public safety staff, with eight licensed police officers who receive annual training in first aid, CPR (cardio pulmonary resuscitation) and use of AEDs (automated external defibrillators), conduct quarterly forearms training, and receive annual training updates on subject control, driving, hostile intruder and other topics. Recently officers completed a hostile intruder training and practice in conjunction with the Michigan State Police, SVSU public safety and the Bay County Sheriff's office. The public safety staff also conducts training of Delta staff and students on rape aggression defense, drive safe/live safe, alcohol awareness, and safe installation and use of child safety seats. The public safety department has designated officer liaisons with each Delta off campus center. Mr. Wiltse also introduced Curtis Wilson, a student officer who won the Phi Theta Kappa award and Criminal Justice Student of the Year, and brought with him two other student officers, Philip Dill and Chase Kobel.

Larry Ramseyer described the recent exchange of campus locksets to provide the ability for classrooms to be locked in the event of a hostile intruder situation, and the safety ambassadors program. He described the RAIN (Respond, Assess, Isolate, Notify) training by officer Steve Witzke and Ross Kadish, the hazardous materials trained staff of the college, and the computerized speaker and strobe light system that is used to alert the campus in the event of an emergency.

Leanne Govitz and Barry Baker described communications procedures. There is a "quick reference guide" that is distributed to all employees, as well as a more detailed booklet describing appropriate steps to take in the case of a number of different kinds of emergencies. There is a "splash" page where an emergency message can be posted on the College web site. The college phone system permits paging and intercom with every class room and conference room, and can be operated from an on-campus operations center or

from off campus. The system can vary messages to different wings or buildings as appropriate. Delta has an agreement with CMU that will allow either in the event of an emergency to take over radio broadcasting from the affected campus, and Delta TV can also broadcast emergency messages.

Mr. Stafford inquired about use of text messages, and Mr. Baker responded that this is being studied, that the key is student buy-in. Dr. Emrich inquired about people coming and going to and from campus, and Trevor Kubatzke responded that vehicles with yellow lights would be dispatched to campus entrances, and the safety ambassadors would be dispatched to campus doors.

Sue Montesi mentioned the CPR and AED training that the Executive Council and others have completed, which will continue. Dr. Goodnow expressed her appreciation to the team. Mr. Selby inquired as to what the Clery Act is and what it requires, and Michael Wiltse responded that among other things the college must timely communicate to the campus community regarding incidents and must annually report and publish crime and other incident statistics.

There being no further business, the dinner meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Myles-Sanders, Board Secretary