DELA COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
BOARD ROOM
TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2013
7:00 p.m.

BOARD PRESENT
K. Ellison, R. Emrich, K. Lawrence-Webster, J. MacKenzie, M. Rowley, R. E. Selby, R. Stafford, E. Wacksman

BOARD ABSENT
K. Houston-Philpot

OTHERS PRESENT

PRESS PRESENT
J. Becker (Midland Daily News), J. Hall (WSGW)

CALL TO ORDER
Board Chair R. Emrich called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
Oath of Office
Board Secretary, T. Brown, administered the oath of office to Trustee K. Ellison, Midland County, who was re-elected to office in the November 2012 election.

Election of Officers
R. E. Selby reported that it is the recommendation of the nominating subcommittee that Robert Stafford of Midland County serve as Board Chair and that Kathleen Ellison also of Midland County serve as Board Vice Chair. Board Chair R. Emrich asked for any additional nominations. M. Rowley made the motion to close the nominations and to elect both R. Stafford and K. Ellison as chair and vice chair respectively with support from D. Wacksman. The motion passed unanimously.

R. E. Selby also reported that is the recommendation of the nominating subcommittee that Debra Lutz be appointed as Board Treasurer, Andrea Ursuy as Board Secretary and Talisa Brown as Assistant Board Secretary. Board Chair R. Emrich made the motion to approve the appointments. The motion passed unanimously.

R. Emrich passed the gavel to R. Stafford and R. Stafford assumed his newly elected role as Board Chair.

Approval of Regular Meeting Calendar
R. E. Selby made a motion that the Board of Trustees approve the 2013 Regular Meeting Calendar as proposed. R. Emrich supported the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Page 1 of 4, Minutes of Board Meeting, January 15, 2013. Approved by the Board of Trustees at the February 19, 2013 Regular Meeting.
Board Chair R. Stafford called for the approval of the agenda. The agenda was approved by a consensus of the Board of Trustees.

Board Chair R. Stafford called for public comments.

The following individuals: J. Tobias, J. Peil, J. Kiley, P. LeVasseur, C. Glynn, B. Hulon, P. Nitschky, R. Combs, S. Wheeler, B. Brissette, and B. Rajewski, speaking on behalf of IBEW Local 692 voiced their concerns with Spence Brothers, the construction manager for the F-Wing Renovations, for choosing an out of town non-union electrical contractor for the project. There were claims that the contractor has had prevailing wage violations and should not have been considered as a qualified contractor. A packet of documents was provided regarding the alleged violations. These individuals stated that a local electrical contractor should be used for the project because of their relationships with Delta. Many of those that spoke have attended Delta as students and have supported the College’s millage. Board Chair Stafford asked Larry Ramseyer, Facilities Management Director, to explain where we are in the process. Larry reviewed the bidding process requirements for State of Michigan funded projects including requirement to award base on the lowest qualified bid. Those who spoke during public comments requested that the administration address the following three items:

1) have Spence Brothers return their phone calls;
2) have someone contact Birch Run School District to see why they did not use the contractor that Spence Brothers is considering for the electrical work in the F-Wing Renovations; and
3) have someone look into the bidding process to see if the use of local contractors can be a consideration in future projects.

Several Trustees thanked the public for their attendance, thoughtful comments and support for the College.

D. Lutz noted that the Board has received the financial statements as of the end of December 2012. The College remains in good cash position. Winter enrollment is under budget projects in tuition and fees which D. Lutz estimates will be around $450,000 through the end of the year. She indicated that the College will know more once registration for spring is underway. The only other potential variance that will be monitored closely is the adjunct and supplemental instructional costs. There were no other major variances to report.

Board Chair R. Stafford called for the approval of the consent agenda. R. Emrich made the motion to accept the consent agenda with support from M. Rowley.

The Board unanimously approved the consent agenda, accepting the minutes of the Nominating Committee that was held on December 11, 2012, along with the dinner meeting and Regular Board Meeting that was held on December 11, 2012. The approval of the 2016 Academic Calendar (BA 4985) and the approval of Senate Policy 6.020 – Support Staff Teaching Policy (BA 4986), were also approved as part of the consent agenda.

Jeff Sorrels, Assistant Professor of Communications and Phi Theta Kappa Advisor introduced Student, Josh Trader, Phi Theta Kappa President who gave a report on *Community College Completion Corp (C4)*. J. Trader talked about the week-long event that was held at Delta as part of a national effort to increase the number of students completing college degrees.
Trustee D. Wacksman and Board Chair R. Stafford thanked J. Trader and J. Sorrels for their presentation.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

*Gifts to the College – December 2012*
Foundation – $ 833,031  
Broadcasting – $ 119,835  
Monthly Total – $ 952,866

*Enrollment Report*
The Winter 2013 semester began on January 5, 2013. To-date, 10,720 students have registered (6935 PT/ 3785 FT).

*Personnel Report*
A complete report of hires and separations for the month of December 2012 can be found in your Board Packets this evening.

*Information Sharing*
- On Friday, January 11, Delta College welcomed approximately 500 middle school and high school students from Bay City, Birch Run, Midland, and Saginaw schools to our campus for the 14th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Youth Symposium. This annual event, sponsored by Delta College and the Bridge Center for Racial Harmony, centered around empowering the students to actively live out and promote the dream of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
- On Monday, January 21, Carl Ruth, Assistant Director of Counseling, Advising, and Career Services, will be presented with Delta College’s Spirit of Martin Luther King Jr. Award at the Unity Luncheon. The luncheon will be held at the Dow Event Center beginning at 11:00 am. If you would like to attend, please contact Amanda for tickets.
- As part of Delta’s Bridging Cultures Project we have received the Bridging Cultures Muslim Bookshelf Grant. This grant represents a partnership between academics and student services as well as a community partnership between the Islamic Centers in Saginaw and Midland. The resources that are part of the Muslim Journeys Bookshelf will further support our efforts to improve student learning and prepare our students for today’s global world.

*In folders this evening*
- This month’s Fantastic Faculty Newsletter which highlights the professional and community activities of our faculty.
- Also in your folders, you will find your annual Conflict of Interest Disclosure form. Our Bylaws state that this is to be completed in January of each year so please take a moment to review and complete this form. Please return this for to Amanda within 30 days as stated at the top of the form.

**TRUSTEE COMMENTS**
K. Ellison indicated that she attended the Police Academy Graduation back in December. It was a very uplifting event that highlighted the quality of the program and as well the graduates. She appreciated the comments made during public comment and would like the board to strongly think...
about what we can and should do in moving forward.

J. MacKenzie asked if someone could contact the Birch Run School District in regards to their recent bidding process and why they did not choose the contractor that Spence Brothers is proposing for the Delta College project.

E. Wacksman talked about two wonderful articles that appeared in the Bay City Times about Delta College. One was in regards to the Student Empowerment Opportunities Club who managed to collect and donate hats, coats, and gloves for children in the community. The other one was about the Delta College athletes who went to Washington Elementary School and did an exercise program with the students. She also indicated that she have the opportunity to attend the Delta College/Saginaw Valley basketball game that took place over the holiday break. She mentioned the wonderful Delta College scarves that are available in the Bookstore.

R. E. Selby encouraged everyone to tune in to the next episode of Dateline Delta in which he interviewed Marcia Moore, Humanities Division Chair and Neville Britto, Professor of English.

CHAIRS

COMMENTS

Board Chair R. Stafford noted that he is looking forward to this next year however it will present new challenges including the budget. He thanked R. Emrich for his leadership during the past two years and also congratulated K. Ellison in her new role as Board Vice Chair.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Board Chair R. Stafford adjourned the meeting at 8:37 p.m.

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Talisa Brown, Board Secretary (Pro Tem)