

DELTA COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
Delta College Main Campus
Tuesday, February 17, 2015
7:00 p.m.

BOARD PRESENT	R. Emrich, K. Houston-Philpot, K. Lawrence-Webster, D. Middleton, M. Morrissey, M. Nash, M. Rowley, E. Selby
BOARD ABSENT	E. Wacksman
OTHERS PRESENT	J. Goodnow, A. Anderson, J. Bamberg, V. Bond, L. Brown, T. Brown, W. Brown, J. Carroll, P. Clark, E. Crane, R. Engelhardt, M. Escamilla, M. Finney, K. Fogelsonger, A. French, J. Gleason, M. Gmeiner, L. Goodrow, A. Goschke, L. Govitz, P. Haselhuhn, M. Hernandez-Alaniz, B. Johnson, D. Lutz, M. Moore, G. Przygocki, L. Ramseyer, K. Schuler, H. Spence, L. Ullrich, A. Ursuy, J. Vande Zande, B. Webb, S. Whitney, S. Witzke, A. Wrubel
PRESS PRESENT	J. Hall (WSGW), G. Horner (Delta Collegiate)
CALL TO ORDER	Board Chair, M. Rowley, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Board Chair Rowley called for approval of the agenda. R. Emrich made a motion to approve the agenda with support from K. Lawrence-Webster. Motion passed unanimously.
PUBLIC COMMENTS	Board Chair Rowley called for public comments. Kurt Fogelsonger, WTA Architects and Herb Spence, Spence Brothers Construction, thanked the Trustees for selecting their firms to be part of the successful Health Professions Building Renovation. K. Fogelsonger presented the Trustees with the Construction Association of Michigan's (CAM) Award for Outstanding Project of the Year. The award is in recognition of the Health Professions Building. K. Fogelsonger also thanked Larry Ramseyer, Matt Sullivan, and Tony Khalil for their internal leadership on this project. H. Spence said that it was a great effort and said that he appreciated the teamwork of the Delta staff on this project. He stated that it is a beautiful building – one to be proud of. R. Emrich said that the College should be doing more to highlight this wonderful asset in our community. J. Goodnow said that this project was a wonderful demonstration of teamwork. She thanked the entire project team for their work.

TREASURER'S REPORT

D. Lutz said that the Board has received the financial statements for the month ended January 2015. Overall, the College is trending in line with budget. At this time, the College expects to exceed budget in some of the instructional staffing lines. At this time there are no other variances to report.

D. Lutz also gave an update on the Governor's Budget proposal. At this time, there is no tuition restraint proposed in the budget. In addition, community colleges would see a 1.4% increase in State funding. Delta College would see an additional \$170,000 due to a proposed increase in the renaissance zone reimbursement. D. Lutz reminded the Board that the Governor's budget is just the first step in the State's budgeting process.

CONSENT AGENDA

R. Emrich made a motion to approve the consent agenda with support from K. Lawrence-Webster. The consent agenda passed unanimously resulting in:

A. Acceptance of Minutes:

- Board Dinner Meeting, January 13, 2015
- Board Regular Meeting, January 13, 2015

B. Approval of Minutes: Board Closed Session, January 13, 2015 (**BA5084**)

**BOARD ACTION
(BA5085)**

It is the recommendation of the administration that the Board of Trustees approve a private tour agreement with Go Ahead Tours for the International/Intercultural Travel Study Tour to South America, May 19-June 2, 2015, based on thirty-one (31) tour participants at an estimated cost of \$167,184.

K. Houston-Philpot made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from K. Lawrence-Webster. The motion passed unanimously.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Ginny Przygocki introduced Jeff VandeZande, Professor of English, and Jim Gleason, Assistant Professor and Program Coordinator of the Electronic Media Broadcasting (EMB) Program.

Jeff VandeZande gave an overview of the film certificate program. He also provided some stories of success in which our students have gotten jobs working for production companies who are working in the local area.

Jim Gleason gave an overview of the EMB program. He said that the program has graduated 169 students in the last 10 years. A number of our students have transferred to universities (primarily Ferris State University and Northern Michigan University). He provided examples of successful students who are working in the EMB field.

The Winter 2015 Semester began on Saturday, January 10. As of today, 9,527 students are enrolled (3284FT, 6243PT).

Personnel Report

Congratulations to Michael Evans. Michael has been appointed as a one-year renewable history instructor. He will begin his teaching assignment in Fall 2015.

A complete report of hires, promotions, and separations for the month of January can be found in Board packets this evening.

Information Sharing

- Delta College Quality Public Television – Q-TV – will host its annual March Spring Pledge Drive from Saturday, February 28 through Sunday, March 8 with a number of special programs.

Included on the schedule are:

- On Saturday, February 28 at 7 p.m., Q-TV will premiere its newest documentary, **“Settling In: Immigrants & Cultures that Built Mid-Michigan.”** The program focuses on why immigrants chose to end up in the Great Lakes Bay Region.
- The night continues with Q-TV’s newest concert, **“New Celtic Traditions”** at 9 p.m. Recorded at the Stein Haus in Downtown Bay City, the program features local musicians who continue to play the music that inspired an entire culture on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean.

These documentaries were produced by our own Bob Przybylski and Marshall Fulmer.

- Progress continues on the \$4 million dollar STEM Education grant we received from The Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation.

Workshops were held today at the Planetarium between Delta faculty and staff, middle and high school teachers and administrators, and business representatives to discuss the most pressing needs of our region and brainstorm ways the STEM Explorer can be used to meet these needs. As you may recall, Delta College’s STEM Explorer would be a 38-foot customized vehicle outfitted with state of the art equipment for project-based learning. It will travel throughout The Great Lakes Bay Region visiting schools and community events to bring investigative learning directly to the students.

The idea is to work collaboratively with K-12 teachers to extend what is available in their classrooms, helping students make connections between what they are

learning in school, and how that learning will provide them an educational path to STEM career opportunities. We'll keep you updated as the project advances.

- Delta College participated in the STEM Career and College Expo for area students at the Saginaw Career Complex on Tuesday, February 3. Students had the opportunity to take part in hands-on activities and to meet with college and university admissions representatives from institutions throughout Michigan.
- Dr. Goodnow said she received a message from Mike Hansen at MCCA regarding the Governor's new road funding proposal that also impacts community colleges. Proposal 2015-1 would ask Michigan voters to approve a 1% increase in the Michigan sales tax to fund transportation infrastructure improvements. The ballot question would also make clear that the Legislature could fund community colleges out of the School Aid Fund. A number of other statutory changes related to road funding depend on passage of Proposal 2015-1. More information on this proposal can be found in your Board folders this evening.
- Last week, Board Chair Rowley, Pam Clark, and I were in Washington DC at the ACCT Legislative Summit. Dr. Goodnow said she was honored and humbled to be one of only 20 community college presidents invited to a luncheon with Jamie Studley, Deputy Under Secretary at the US Department of Education, to provide feedback on President Obama's proposed community college rating system. During the meeting I was able to share my feedback on some of the limitations of the system. We will continue to work collaboratively with AACC to provide feedback.
- Felicia Peters, Business Division Chair, and Scanlon Romer, Professor of Economics, are coordinating a trip to our sister colleges in Kenya to sign a new 5-year partnership agreement and celebrate the silver anniversary of our partnerships. They are looking for a Trustee interested in accompanying them. The dates of the trip are November 18-29, 2015. More information is included in your folder.
- Please mark your calendars. The Phi Theta Kappa Induction Ceremony will be held on Monday, March 23rd at 6 p.m. in the Lecture Theater.
- Don't forget to check out this month's Fantastic Faculty Newsletter which can be found in BoardBook. This month's edition highlights the professional activities of some of our English and History faculty members.
- Included in folders this evening:
 - The latest edition of the Collegiate
 - The Spring 2015 Lifelong Learning Catalog

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

K. Houston-Philpot said she appreciated the student success presentations this evening. She also agreed that the College should communicate more about the Health Professions Building.

D. Middleton said that she continues to be impressed with the programs Delta College offers. She said that she also enjoyed the Delta College Corporate Services presentation.

R. E. Selby said he would encourage all to tune in to Dateline Delta. The program focuses on innovative online course delivery, diversity, and STEM.

CHAIR COMMENTS

M. Rowley said that he enjoyed the ACCT Legislative Summit. He said that Dr. Goodnow and Pam Clark were extremely well-prepared. He said that both of them did a wonderful job on behalf of the College.

M. Rowley said that he was serving on the Audit Committee (in place of D. Middleton who had a possible conflict) along with R. Emrich. The committee met today.

R. Emrich will serve on the Investment Committee and M. Nash will serve on the Budget Cabinet.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Board Chair Rowley adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Andrea Ursuy, Board Secretary