BOARD PRESENT  M. Benecke, A. Buckley, R. Emrich, K. Lawrence-Webster, D. Middleton, M. Morrissey, M. Rowley, R. E. Selby

BOARD ABSENT  M. Nash


PRESS PRESENT  J. Hall (WSGW), B. Henika (Delta Collegiate)

CALL TO ORDER  Board Chair Emrich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA  Board Chair Emrich called for approval of the agenda. M. Benecke made a motion to approve the agenda. D. Middleton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT  Board Chair Emrich called for public comment.

TREASURER’S REPORT  D. Lutz said that the Board has received the College financial statements for the month ended January 31, 2017. The College is in a strong cash (liquidity) position. Since we have already collected tuition and fees for Fall and Winter, and all that remains is Spring, the College has received a good share of tuition and fee payments for the year. D. Lutz said that she has reviewed the statements and the expenditures are in line with the budget. At this time, she has no variances to report.

CONSENT AGENDA  R. Emrich called for approval of the consent agenda. M. Rowley made a motion to approve the consent agenda with support from D. Middleton. The motion passed unanimously resulting in:

A. Acceptance of Minutes:
   1. Board Dinner Meeting, January 10, 2017
   2. Board Regular Meeting, January 10, 2017

STUDENT SUCCESS  Ginny Przygocki, Dean of Career Education and Learning Partnerships, gave a presentation on the College’s Alternative Energy – Wind Turbine Technology program.

   The Board approved the Wind Turbine Program seven years ago.
Ginny reviewed the duties of a Wind Turbine Technician. Part of the requirements include being able to make as high as a 250 foot climb to maintain a tower. Students in Delta’s program get experience climbing on our campus, first in the lab, and then by climbing our water tower.

Ginny said that Matt Eyre, who is the faculty member teaching in this program, and student, Ryan Long, were unable to join in the presentation this evening because they were both in class.

Board Chair Emrich said that Matt and Ryan are invited to come back to another meeting to share more about the program.

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**PRESIDENTS REPORT**

**Enrollment Report**

The Winter Semester began on January 7. As of today, 8,655 students are registered (2753FT, 5902PT).

**Personnel Report**

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

**Information Sharing**

- Congratulations to Kristina Sandoval, President of the Delta College Military Association and VA student assistant in the Student Veteran Center. Kristina has been selected as the Emerging Woman Leader from Delta College for the YWCA Women of Achievement Awards. The YWCA honors women between the ages of 18-25 who demonstrate emerging leadership skills and have exhibited a philosophy of empowering and a commitment to the community. The award ceremony will be held on Wednesday, March 15, at 5:30 PM at the Horizons Center in Saginaw.

- Dr. Goodnow said that she has received notification that Delta College has received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award again this year. In the letter that Dr. Goodnow received, it is noted that “this award is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting and represents a high achievement in your organization.” Congratulations to Deb Lutz and the Finance Department.

- Dr. Goodnow said that she has received the NCLEX results for Delta College’s practical nurse (PN) and RN graduates. She said that she is proud to announce that the pass rate for our first time takers in the ADN (RN) program was 89.47%. The national average for ADN was 81.68%! Our PN graduates had a **100% pass rate** for first time takers. The national average for PN was 83.73%. Congratulations to our nursing grads and to the excellent faculty that worked with our students throughout their time at Delta College.
• Eighteen students traveled to Grand Rapids to compete in the Collegiate DECA State of Michigan business competition from February 3 – 5. Lori Ziolkowski, Assistant Professor of Management and Delta’s Collegiate DECA club advisor, accompanied the group. Students competed in a variety of individual and team case studies, business simulations or prepared events. The group earned three 1st place awards, two 2nd place awards and 16 medals. The finalists are eligible to compete at the International Collegiate DECA Competition in Anaheim, California this April.

• On Wednesday, February 15, Delta will launch a new website. It’s exciting news. Something that’s been needed for a long time. Something that many, many people across campus have worked on.

There will now be three online spaces for our Delta community:
  • The public website will be for potential students, with a section for the community.
  • The student portal for current students.
  • And, the employee portal for faculty and staff.

Some of the highlights of the new public website:
  • We’re featuring our great programs.
  • Easy to search. Easy to navigate. Easy for future students to choose what you want to become.
  • Focused on recruiting.
  • We want potential students to choose Delta. Every page of our new website tells them why they should.
  • It’s mobile friendly.
  • Research shows that a mobile friendly site with relevant content is critical. Right now, about 45% of potential students visit us using their mobile device.

Dr. Goodnow thanked all of the staff and faculty who have been a part of making the new website and portal site a reality! Special thanks to Pam Clark, Leanne Govitz, Amanda Hammond, for their leadership on the website and to Barb Webb, Val Bledsoe, and Sue Nowicki for their leadership on the portal project.

• In folders this evening:
  
  o Letter from Robert Muter, Delta College 1989 graduate expressing his gratitude for the excellent instructors he had while attending.
  
  o Toby Haske’s letter of retirement – Toby is an Associate Professor in Dental Hygiene.
  
  o Kathleen Taylor’s letter of retirement – Kathleen is also an Associate Professor in Dental Hygiene.
- A flyer on upcoming workshops from the Small Business Development Center.

- The latest issues of the Delta Collegiate

**TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

M. Rowley thanked V. Przygocki for an excellent student success report.

R. E. Selby said to tune in to Dateline Delta on February 26. This month’s episode will feature dental hygiene faculty member Toby Haske; Dr. Ski VanderLaan and information on eLearning; and Trustee Mary Morrissey.

M. Benecke thanked Dr. Goodnow for sharing the good news about our staff. She congratulated Carrie Burdzinski, Assistant Professor of Biology, who is a RUBY Award recipient this year. RUBY stands for “recognizing the upward, bright, and young.”

A. Buckley said it was nice to hear about the success of our DECA students. He said that his daughter participates in DECA at the high school level.

D. Middleton said that she enjoyed the presentation on the Wind Turbine Program. She also said that her family enjoyed a show at the Planetarium and they plan to go back.

**CHAIR COMMENTS**

Board Chair Emrich asked if the Trustees had any comments or feedback about canceling the Dinner Meeting this evening. D. Middleton said that she would support doing this again, when needed. M. Rowley said that he trusts the decision of the Board Chair.

Board Chair Emrich appointed the following individuals to Board Committees.

Foundation Board of Directors (serving in an ex-officio capacity):
- Mary Lou Benecke
- Mike Rowley
- Diane Middleton

Sabbatical Leaves and Grants:
- Mary Morrissey
- Mary Lou Benecke

Nominating Committee:
- Mike Nash, Chair
- Earl Selby
- Mike Rowley

Budget Cabinet:
- Diane Middleton

Bylaws Committee:
- Robert Emrich
- Mike Rowley, Chair
- Andre Buckley
Audit Committee:
    Robert Emrich
    Andre Buckley
    Mike Rowley

Investment Committee:
    Andre Buckley

Evaluation and Compensation Committee:
    Robert Emrich
    Mary Lou Benecke
    Mike Nash, Chair

M. Benecke made a motion to appoint D. Middleton as the MCCA Board of Directors Alternate. K. Lawrence-Webster seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Board Chair Emrich adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

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Andrea Ursuy, Board Secretary