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

BOARD ABSENT  M. Benecke, A. Buckley


PRESS PRESENT  J. Hall (WSGW), J. Sierocki (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. D. Middleton made a motion to approve the agenda. M. Nash seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT  Board Chair Emrich called for public comment.

TREASURER’S REPORT  S. DuFresne, reporting in D. Lutz’s absence, said that the Board has received the College financial statements for the month ended August 31, 2017. S. DuFresne said that she has reviewed the statements and, as the fiscal year begins, 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 R. E. Selby. The motion passed unanimously resulting in:

A. Acceptance of Minutes:
   1. Board Dinner Meeting, August 8, 2017
   2. Board Regular Meeting, August 8, 2017

BOARD ACTION STRATEGIC VALUES REPORT (BA5192)  It is the recommendation of the administration that the Delta College Board of Trustees certify to the State Budget Director that Delta College has met all 5 of the best practices listed in each of the categories required through Public Act Number 108 of 2017, Section 230 (3), thus exceeding the legislative requirements.

R. E. Selby made a motion that the Delta College Board of Trustees certify that Delta College has met all 5 of the best practices listed in each of the categories required through
Public Act Number 108 of 2017, Section 230 (3), thus exceeding the legislative requirements. D. Middleton seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

J. Goodnow highlighted some of the key activities that were included in the report, noting that the report provides more than 13 pages of various activities and initiatives that illustrate how Delta College is meeting the best practices.

She thanked P. Clark for her work in putting the report together—as well as the team who contributed to the content.

**BOARD ACTION**

(BA5193)

It is the recommendation of the administration that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of the replacement of the two-way radio communication system to Anderson Radio, under the State of Michigan contract, in the amount of $157,472.

R. E. Selby made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from M. Nash.

Motion passed unanimously.

**STUDENT SUCCESS – CUBA TRIP**

Dr. Curry introduced Felicia Peters, Professor of Computer Science, and Crystal McMorris, Assistant Professor of English.

F. Peters and C. McMorris presented photographs and information about the Cuba Trip that they led in March of 2017. Students, faculty, and community members went on the trip to learn about the history, culture, and people of Cuba.

They spoke about a Delta College student, Benecia Garcia, who was positively impacted by the trip. As a result of her involvement in this travel abroad experience, B. Garcia has made the decision to engage in additional travel abroad experiences. In addition, she has changed her major to international business.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT DISCUSSION OF PRESIDENT’S GOALS**

Board Chair Emrich opened the discussion of the President’s draft goals for 2017-18. He noted that the Trustees received the goals for review last month. The purpose of this discussion is to provide the President with feedback.

D. Middleton said that she would like to comment on the goal regarding the “sustainability of the College’s go-forward operating model.” She said that serving on the Budget Cabinet has made her even more aware of the importance of looking at the expense side of our operations. For example, how do we right-size our course offerings? How do we ensure that those offerings meet the needs of our student body?

R. Emrich echoed D. Middleton’s comments. He said that we cannot continue to cut to balance the budget. As a College, we have to change the way we do things. The College needs to examine the size of its faculty and staff, its culture, class size, when we offer,
where we offer, etc. He noted that if the College doesn’t change, it won’t be around in the future.

K. Lawrence-Webster asked where the Board fits in when it comes to changing the culture.

R. Emrich said that the Board will be involved in the discussions and will hear the recommendations that the Administration brings back. The College must examine the number of services and how things can be changed without “losing our soul.” He said that the Board is open to hearing from everybody at the College regarding ideas for moving forward.

K. Lawrence-Webster said that while the College does a thorough job of making projections that are 2 years out, but years 3, 4, and 5 become stagnant.

R. Emrich said that as the cost of higher education continues to rise, the College needs to leverage the fact that Delta College is a very affordable, high quality education for the first two years.

M. Rowley said that the Board can be part of the solution or part of the problem. He said that he is ready to be part of the solution.

J. Goodnow thanked the Board for the feedback. She asked that any further feedback be sent to her as soon as possible. She said that she will bring the final goals to the Board for approval in October.

**PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Enrollment Report**

Classes for the Fall 2017 Semester began on August 26. As of today, 8,691 students have registered (5,546 part-time, 3,145 full-time).

The College projected 80,918 credit hours for the fall semester and is currently at 97.05% (78,531.9 credit hours) of projection.

**Personnel Report**

The complete report of hires, promotions, and separations for the month of August can be found in Board packets.

**Information Sharing**

- Delta College Career Services is hosting a Great Lakes Bay Job Fair taking place tomorrow in the Pioneer Gym from 1:00-4:00 PM with a complimentary lunch at the Red Brix Café from noon to 1:00 PM. Board members received an invitation in the mail.

  Also taking place tomorrow is the Veterans Expo 2017 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in the main hallways outside the Pioneer Gym.

- A Delta-L message was sent today announcing the dates for the upcoming Saginaw Center Meetings. All meetings will take place at the Castle Museum. The dates are:...
• Friday, September 22, 1:00-2:00 PM
• Tuesday, September 26, 7:00-8:00 PM
• Monday, October 9, 4:00-5:00 PM

- On Sunday, September 24, the NAACP Saginaw Branch will host its 2017 Freedom Fund Gala at the Horizons Conference Center beginning at 5:00 PM.

- Dr. Goodnow reminded Trustees about the VIP Luncheon that will take place at Delta College as part of this year’s Mind Trekkers Festival on Friday, October 6, from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

- Dr. Goodnow said that Delta College will be hosting the Great Lakes Bay Regional Alliance STEM Summit on Friday, October 20, from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Gerald Solomon is the Keynote Speaker. Among many of his accomplishments related to STEM, he serves as co-chair of the STEM Learning Ecosystem Initiative. “The Great Lakes Bay Region was designated as one of the inaugural 27 STEM Ecosystems across the country in September 2015.” This event will bring together business leaders and educators to share regional STEM accomplishments, raise awareness and launch future plans for this area. Registration begins this month – more information can be found at the website: www.stempipeline.com

- Kay will be contacting Trustees to check availability for a half-day Board Special Meeting / Strategy Session.

- Trustee Middleton and Dr. Goodnow attended the Governance Leadership Institute last spring. A group photo of the attendees is included in the summer 2017 issue of Trustee Quarterly.

- Last Saturday evening, Trustee Selby, Carol Selby, and I attended the celebration banquet for the Greater Coleman Temple Ministries. They are celebrating 60 years of ministry. At the suggestion of Trustee Selby, Dr. Goodnow read the remarks that she made at the celebration.

  “Good evening, my name is Dr. Jean Goodnow. I am the President of Delta College. I am joined this evening by one of our Saginaw Trustees, Mr. Earl Selby, and his wife Carol.

  It is a great honor to recognize the World Outreach Campus of the Greater Coleman Temple Ministries in a celebration of 60 years of faith, love, and service to the community.

  I came to Delta College in 2005. At that time, I immediately became aware of the Greater Coleman Temple Ministries—and the leadership of founding Pastor Hurley J. Coleman and current Pastor H.J. Coleman Jr., as well as their wonderful family members.”
I recently had the opportunity to read about some of the rich history of this church and its congregation. It was inspiring to read about the early activities that built the foundation for a longstanding commitment to faith, service, community, the arts, diversity and inclusion, education, and above all, God.

And, since I have been a part of this wonderful community, I have witnessed that commitment first hand. I have had the opportunity to attend the Community Affairs Committee Breakfast each month with Pastor Coleman. In addition, I have worked with Pastor Coleman as he pursues opportunities for education for all people in the Saginaw Community. It is truly a privilege to work alongside such a caring and passionate individual.

Many of you have attended Delta College, worked with us, and have volunteered on our campus. Your commitment to giving back to the community is evident. On behalf of the Delta College Board of Trustees and our entire College Community, I thank you for your service.

Congratulations, Greater Coleman Temple Ministries, on 60 wonderful years. I have no doubt that the faith, love, and service that you bring to our community will continue to strengthen and grow for decades to come.

Thank you.”

Dr. Goodnow encouraged the Trustees to take a look at this month’s Fantastic Faculty which has been uploaded to BoardBook.

Board folders have been updated to reflect the College’s Fall 2017 numbers. Dr. Goodnow pointed out that the ratio of our credit hours being taught by full-time, in comparison to part-time, is 69%/31% respectively. Senate Policy specifies that as a College we will strive for 65%/35%.

The following information was distributed to Trustees at the meeting:

- A copy of the President’s goals for FY 2017-2018.
- A copy of “Pioneer Post 2017”, Delta College’s literary journal.
- A DVD containing the President’s State of the College address from August 22, 2017.
- A copy of a letter that Dr. Goodnow received from Dr. Paul Rowe who was one of the founders of Delta College’s Radiography program. The Radiography program is 50 years old this year. Radiologic Technology used to be taught in hospitals. In 1967, Delta College had its first class of 18 students taught on-campus.
- Trustee business cards.
- The latest issue of the Delta Collegiate.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

M. Morrissey said that she enjoyed the presentation regarding the Cuba trip.

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D. Middleton noted the August personnel report and said that the longevity of some that have retired or separated from the College speaks volumes about the way that Delta College values its employees.

D. Middleton said that her daughter began her college career at Delta this semester and is enjoying her experience.

M. Nash said that he appreciated the presentation on the agriculture program partnership with MSU. He noted that the fact that this program took nearly 10 years to develop is proof of the need for the College to continue to grow and increase its agility.

R. E. Selby said that Dateline Delta is back. This month features interviews with Dr. Martha Crawmer, Dean of Teaching and Learning, and Dr. Jean Goodnow, President. He reminded everyone that Dateline Delta airs the last Sunday of each month.

R. E. Selby also noted that the keynote speaker at this year’s NAACP Banquet, Aramis Donell Ayala, is a graduate of Bridgeport High School and is now a State Attorney in the Orlando area.

M. Rowley mentioned that last month the President shared a letter that the College received from the Bay Veterans Foundation regarding the informational kiosk in Battery Park. M. Rowley mentioned that he visited Battery Park and that this is a wonderful project. He also noted that Tom Friewald, who was a faculty member at Delta College for more than 30 years, had drawn the blueprints for the project. He noted that even in retirement, Mr. Friewald is still serving our community.

CHAIR COMMENTS

R. Emrich thanked everyone for their contributions this evening.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Board Chair Emrich adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

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Andrea Ursuy, Board Secretary