

**Delta College  
Board of Trustees  
Dinner Meeting  
September 11, 2018  
Delta College Main Campus Room N7**

**Board Present:** M. Benecke, A. Buckley, D. Middleton, M. Morrissey, M. Nash, K. Peatross, M. Rowley

**Board Absent:** R. Emrich, K. Lawrence-Webster

**Others Present:** A. Balan, R. Battinkoff, T. Boudrot, N. Bovid, L. Brown, T. Brown, P. Clark, A. Corradi, M. Crawmer, R. Curry, R. Davis, K. Dehne, S. DuFresne, S. Gilmore, J. Goodnow, L. Govitz, S. Jensen, L. Kloc, S. Lewless, P. Matusiak, J. Miller, M. Mosqueda, T. Nadolski, G. Przygocki, C. Reszke, D. Roebuck, K. Schuler, A. Ursuy

**Press Present:** K. Carlson, Midland Daily News; J. Hall, WSGW; M. Piwowarski, Delta Collegiate

Board Vice Chair, D. Middleton called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm. D. Middleton then turned the meeting over to Nick Bovid, Director of Facilities who gave an update on the West Campus Master Plan.

N. Bovid shared with the Board that the master plan is a vision for physical resources and facilities and creates a framework for growth. This is not a new concept for Delta. Back in 1969 it was referred to as the "Long Range Development Plan" and has seen numerous updates over the years. Back in 2003 SmithGroupJJR was hired to update the landscape/site master plan. More recently the plan was updated in both 2014 and 2017. The Board approved a project budget from the Plant Fund of \$4,492,335 for the West Campus back in November 2017.

The West Campus Master Plan is an interactive plan linked on the Delta College website. The major components and goals of the plan include: strengthen/expand agriculture and forested lands; develop loop road and new entrance; relocate and expand athletic area; modify the entry, parking, and pedestrian experience; reinforce central axis and courtyards; develop clear levels of maintenance; and integrate the farmstead.

Improvements to the West Campus that have already taken place include the west commuter lot expansion in 2005, the removal of the dorms in 2010, the addition of athletic field walkways in 2005, soccer and softball fields in 2004; and the Mackinaw Drive entrance/intersection improvements that took place in 2007. The overall plan has phases. Phase 1A includes: the rework of the northwest campus parking lot; construction of the new southwest campus parking lot; construction of a new baseball field (dugouts, fencing, sidewalks); improvements to the soccer field (benches, scoreboard, goals, bleachers); and improvements to the softball field (scoreboard, bleachers).

Delta College's baseball team currently plays at Wickes Field in Saginaw Township which is 10 miles from main campus. The new field will have a natural grass field consisting of 80/20 Kentucky Blue Grass/Ryegrass. It will also have an irrigation system, temporary seating, two dugouts and a scoreboard. N. Bovid provided visuals for some of the soccer and softball improvements such as the permanent benches with weather screens, scoreboards and upgraded soccer goals.

Phase 1B includes the construction of the observatory hill (observatory, improved surface trails); construction of a new multi-use athletics facility; nature trail (8 foot wide with asphalt); and the construction of a Delta walk/plaza. The observatory hill will allow for walking/training paths with different grades. The observatory will have a storage area with exterior pads for mobile telescopes. A program is being developed with the astronomy department and faculty. This will be an attraction for public and local school systems to learn and use.

The multi-use athletics facility will have a concessions area of approximately 2,000 square feet, storage area of approximately 2,000 square feet and restrooms with 500 square feet. The nature trail will be approximately .85 miles long and will be 8 feet wide. The Delta walk/plaza will be a public square, marketplace or similar open space that can be used for a variety of activities or events.

Future plans include northwest and southwest campus parking expansions; baseball field improvements – press box, permanent seating, additional walkways and plaza; future tennis court locations; and the possibility of a South Mackinaw Drive entrance. With the various projects there is also added sculpture opportunities. The advisory committee is working towards garnering support/grants for additional sculptures to be added.

Currently the baseball field is being constructed with a projected finish timeline for October with the field being ready for the spring baseball season. N. Bovid shared with the Board that all local contractors are being used for this project. They include: Serenus Johnson Construction; Midland Fence Company, Inc.; Bell Landscaping; Boettcher Masonry; Kawakawlin Roofing; and Kokaly Lawn Sprinklers. He also shared several pictures showing the progress of the field since April to present day.

N. Bovid ended the meeting with a timeline indicating that Fall/Spring 2018-2019 would include the baseball field, southwest campus parking as well as soccer field and softball field improvements. Projects slated for 2019 include the observatory hill, observatory, northwest campus parking, multi-use athletics facility, nature trail and Delta plaza/walk.

There being no further business, the dinner meeting was adjourned at 6:38 pm.

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Talisa Brown, Assistant Board Secretary

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Andrea Ursuy, Board Secretary