## **Delta College**

# Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Downtown Midland Center Tuesday, October 14, 2025 7:00 p.m.

BOARD PRESENT A. Baldwin, A. Clark, S. Gannon, B. Handley-Miller, D. Middleton, M. Nash, M. Rowley,

M. Thomas, M. Wood

OTHERS PRESENT R. Battinkoff, J. Berry, T. Brown, W. Burns, W. Childs, P. Clark, R. Curry, C. DeEulis, J. Foco,

J. Garn, M. Gavin, L. Govitz, D. Hopkins, K. Kiste-Toner, P. Larkowski, E. Merkle, K.

Schuler, A. Ursuy, R. Young

PRESS PRESENT None

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

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Board Chair Gannon asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

A. Clark made a motion to approve the agenda. M. Wood seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** Board Chair Gannon called for public comment.

TREASURER'S REPORT J. Foco said that t

J. Foco said that the Board has received the financial statements for the month ended

September 30, 2025.

He said he does not have any significant variances to report this evening. The audit is wrapping up and that report will be presented to you at November's meeting. The budget was approved by the State. Community College did well. We budgeted a 3.5% (597,000) increase and are going to receive 2.1% (360,000).

Right now, enrollment is up roughly 5,154 contact hours compared to last year at this

time.

**CONSENT AGENDA** Board Chair Gannon called for approval of the consent agenda.

B. Handley-Miller made a motion to approve the consent agenda. A. Baldwin seconded the motion. The Board voted to unanimously approve the consent agenda resulting in:

## A. Acceptance of Minutes:

- 1. Board Dinner Meeting, September 9, 2025
- 2. Board Regular Meeting, September 9, 2025

APPROVAL OF DELTA
COLLEGE – STRATEGIC
VALUE

(BA5634)

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 in each of the 3 categories, thus exceeding the legislative requirements. This report will allow Delta College to comply with Public Act Number 15 of 2025, Section 230 (3).

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A. Baldwin made a motion to approve the recommendation. A. Clark seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

# APPROVAL OF P WING ROOFING REPLACEMENT FROM A WYNN ROOFING (BA5635)

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase order with A Wynn Roofing in the amount of \$342,170 and authorize a total project budget of \$401,940 to ensure comprehensive project completion of the P Wing Roofing Replacement.

A. Baldwin made a motion to approve the recommendation. M. Nash seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

# APPROVAL OF DELTA COLLEGE FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL OUTLAY MASTER PLAN (BA5636)

It is the recommendation of the administration that the Board of Trustees approve the Delta College Five-Year Capital Outlay Master Plan for the State of Michigan's 2027 fiscal year as required by the State Budget Office.

A. Clark made a motion to approve the recommendation. D. Middleton seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

# PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH DISCUSSION APPROVAL OF PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BA5637)

Board Chair Gannon shared the membership of the Presidential Search Advisory Committee with the Board. Trustee Middleton will serve as Chair for this committee.

## **Delta College Board of Trustees**

- Arshen Baldwin, Saginaw County Trustee and Board Vice Chair
- Diane Middleton, Bay County Trustee and Search Advisory Committee Chair
- Michael Wood, Midland County Trustee

## **Delta College Employees**

- Wendy Burns, Faculty Member at Large and Associate Professor of Biology
- Will Carter, Acting AFSCME Facilities Management Union President and General Maintenance, Facilities Management
- Wendy Childs, Director of Human Resources
- Jill Delaney, Support Staff Executive Committee (SSEC) Chair and Administrative Office Professional, Arts and Letters Division
- Laura Dull, Delta College Faculty Association (DCFA) President and Professor of History
- JD Garn, Associate Dean, Arts and Letters Division
- David Hopkins, Dean of Transfer Programs and Online Learning
- Eric Merkle, Chair of Executive Committee for Administrative/Professional Staff (ECAPS) and Financial Aid Advisor, Student and Educational Services

## **Delta College Students**

- Jason Pringle, Associate in Applied Science—Nursing
- Ellen Rivet, Associate in Arts

## **Delta College Foundation**

- Paul Barbeau, Chair of Delta College Foundation Board of Directors, Midland County
- Octavia Walters Cabey, Member of Delta College Foundation Board of Directors, Midland County

## **Community Stakeholders**

- Dr. Ramont Roberts, Superintendent of Saginaw Public Schools
- Megan Samyn, President and CEO of Bay Area Chamber of Commerce
- Chuck Sherwin, President of MyMichigan Medical Center Midland

Board Chair Gannon called for the approval of the Presidential Search Advisory Committee. M. Wood made a motion to approve the Presidential Search Advisory Committee. A. Baldwin seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

# PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH DISCUSSION APPROVAL OF SEARCH TIMELINE (BA5638)

Board Chair Gannon reviewed the presidential search timeline with the Board. Major tasks on the timeline include posting the position in early December and having the new president in place by July 1, 2026.

Board Chair Gannon called for the approval of the search timeline. A. Baldwin made a motion to approve the recommendation. A. Clark seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

## **Enrollment Report**

Classes for the Fall 2025 Semester began on August 23. As of today, 8,581 students are enrolled (5,735 part-time, 2,846 full-time).

We projected 81,659 contact hours for the fall semester and are currently at 107% (86,949 contact hours) of projection.

## **Personnel Report**

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

## **Information Sharing**

- The Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency recognized Delta College as a gold-level Veteran-Friendly School for the 2025-2026 academic year.
- The Possible Dream Program at Delta College promotes academic achievement, cultural awareness and higher education opportunities to academically promising students who may be at risk due to socioeconomic circumstances. The Dream is that all Possible Dream Program scholars will graduate from high school and then pursue a college education.

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Since 1992, it has helped over 2,500 students stay on track to finish high school and prepare for college. Statistics show that 80% of Possible Dreamers have gone to college and 51.5% of those students attended Delta College.

The Delta College Foundation is hosting the region's best fundraising event - A Chocolate Affair - on Thursday, November 6th. Held at Horizons Conference Center, the evening features food buffets, chocolate martini bar, desserts, live music, and mingling with friends. There will also be some of the Possible Dream students on hand.

- NAACP Saginaw Branch hosted their 54th Annual Freedom Fund Banquet on Sunday, September 28. Thanks to Trustees that attended: Arshen Baldwin, Stacey Gannon, Barb Handley-Miller, Michael Wood
- President's Speaker Series was held today. Shalini Kantayya Activist and awardwinning filmmaker of TikTok, Boom and Coded Bias spoke. Thanks to Trustee Barb Handley-Miller for attending.

## **Upcoming Events**

- Mental Health Fair, Tuesday-Wednesday, October 21-22, 10:00am 1:30pm in Cafeteria, coordinated by student Brandon Hillaker
- ACCT Leadership Congress, October 22-25, New Orleans, Louisiana. Dr. Gavin attending with Board Chair Gannon and Vice Chair Baldwin.
- Great Lakes Bay Job Fair & Networking Event, Tuesday, October 28, 12:00-3:00pm, Pioneer Gymnasium
- Girls Day Out, Friday, November 7, Main Campus
- MCCA Trustee Governance Leadership Institute with ACCT, Thursday-Friday -December 4-5, 2025, Lansing, Michigan

## Handouts

- El Camino Sessions
  - Why Should I Go to College? 10/23/25 5-6:30pm Downtown Saginaw Center
  - How Do I Pay for College? 11/13/25 5-6:30pm Victorious Believers Ministries
  - How Do I Apply to College? 11/20/25 5-6:30pm Bay City LLEAD
- Latest issue of Delta Collegiate

Next Board Meeting – Tuesday, November 11, Main Campus

### TRUSTEE COMMENTS

A. Thomas said she enjoyed the presentations at dinner. She mentioned that she attended the recent Umoja Black student success event and thought it was a great experience.

B. Handley Miller enjoyed the President's Speakers Series presentation this morning and the "Hiroshima and Nagasaki: War Crime or Tragic Necessity?" event in September where Michael Evans, Delta History Professor, and Ryan Petersen, Political Science Professor, debated the atomic bombing. "Bringing a diversity of prospectives to Delta is important," she said.

M. Nash thanked Chair Gannon, D. Middleton, and A. Ursuy for their leadership in the Presidential Search Process.

A. Baldwin said she appreciated the dual enrollment presentation. She said she enjoyed the NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner and is looking forward to the Chocolate Affair.

D. Middleton thanked her fellow trustees for appointing her chair of the Presidential Search Advisory Committee. She commented, "it's essential to communicate what the committee's role is, and what it's not."

M. Wood said he appreciated the dinner presentations this evening.

A. Clark said he also enjoyed the cybersecurity and dual enrollment presentations.

## **CHAIR COMMENTS**

Board Chair Gannon said that the Strategic Values report does an excellent job of describing the cultural impact that we have as an institution. She thanked the faculty and staff for all that they do.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Board Chair Gannon adjourned the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

Andrea Ursuy, Board Secretary