

**DELTA COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
BOARD ROOM
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2011
7:00 p.m.**

- MEMBERS PRESENT** K. Higgs, K. Lawrence-Webster, R. E. Selby, R. Stafford, E. Wacksman
- MEMBERS ABSENT** R. Emrich, K. Ellison, K. Houston-Philpot, J. MacKenzie
- OTHERS PRESENT** J. Goodnow, P. Clark, A. Givens, L. Govitz, P. Graves, A. Hill, G. Hoffman, L. Holoman, J. Knochel, T. Lane, D. Lutz, J. Miller, M. Mosqueda, L. Myles-Sanders, F. Peters, G. Przygocki, L. Ramseyer, M. Robertson, S. Smith, J. Stahl, T. Stitt, A. Ursuy, S. Vanderlaan, B. Webb, S. Whitney, M. Wiltse
- PRESS PRESENT** J. Hall (WSGW), M. Dore (Delta Collegiate)
- CALL TO ORDER** Board Vice Chair R. Stafford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA** R. Stafford called for approval of the agenda. K. Higgs made a motion to approve the agenda with support from E. Wacksman. The Board unanimously approved the agenda.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS** R. Stafford called for public comments. There were no public comments.
- TREASURER'S REPORT** D. Lutz said that she has reviewed the financial statements for the month ending October 31. The College is on track for the current fiscal year with no significant variances to report.
- CONSENT AGENDA** Board Vice Chair R. Stafford called for approval of the consent agenda. K. Higgs made a motion to approve the consent agenda with support from R. E. Selby.
- The Board unanimously approved the consent agenda, approving the minutes of the Board Dinner Meeting and Regular Meeting that was held on October 11, 2011. The reappointment of Christopher L. Curtis as Chairperson of the Social Science Division for a three-year term commencing May 1, 2012 and ending April 30, 2015 (BA4901), The reappointment of Felicia Peters as Chairperson of the Business and Information Technology Division for a three-year term commencing May 1, 2012 and ending April 30, 2015 (BA4902), and the revisions to Senate Policy 3.070 – Appointment, Reappointment, and Total Load of Division Chairs (BA4903) were also approved as part of the consent agenda. In addition, the Board accepted the annual financial statements and audit for FYI 2010-2011 as presented by Andrews Hooper & Pavlik P.L.C. as part of the consent agenda (BA4904).

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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

DEVELOPMENTAL EDUCATION & CAREER PATHWAYS

Mary Beth Looby, Liz Dewey, and Marcie Carter reported on Delta College's Developmental Education Program.

The program vision is "we open the door to opportunities for diverse learners to grow."

Initiatives such as our early alert program are in place to provide an avenue for faculty to provide early referral for at-risk students. The program is continuing to develop, pilot, and measure results for innovative programs aimed at the success of our developmental students. These programs include Integrated Studies Learning Communities (ISLC's), Math³ Express, and Moving Up.

Delta College's developmental students succeed in their developmental courses and their subsequent college level courses at rates higher than NADE national benchmarks.

Judy Miller and Margaret Mosqueda reported on the Career Pathways Program. Over 20,000 area students and 12,100 career professionals have participated in the Career Pathways program over the last 11 years. This year, 1,961 students and 185 career professionals participated. Career Pathways provides high school students with an opportunity to explore career options and to get an introduction to what Delta College has to offer.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Gifts to the College for the month of October 2011

Delta College Foundation – \$136,381.00
Delta Public Broadcasting - \$88,406.00
Monthly combined total – \$224,787.00

Personnel Report

Congratulations to Chris Curtis and Felicia Peters. Chris was reappointed as Chair of the Social Science Division and Felicia as Chair of the Business and Information Technology Division.

A complete report of hires and separations for the month of October is included in Board packets.

Enrollment Report

Registration for the Winter 2012 semester began on October 25. As of today, 9,762 students have registered (6,388PT/3,374FT). Winter classes begin on January 7.

Newsworthy

- Representatives from our faculty have put together a monthly newsletter for the Board. "Fantastic Faculty" highlights the good work that our faculty members are doing both in and out of the classroom. The newsletter was included in Board folders.

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- George Ross, President of Central Michigan University, sent a letter congratulating Delta College on our 50th anniversary. A copy of the letter was shared with the Trustees.

Announcements

- Dr. Goodnow reminded that A Chocolate Affair will be held at HORIZONS Conference Center on November 10. This event has been voted the number one charity event in the Great Lakes Bay Region. A Chocolate Affair is the sole fundraiser for the College’s Possible Dream Program which provides cultural and educational opportunities to 8th through 12th graders who are bright, but at-risk students.

Discussion of T. O’Banion Completion Agenda Article

J. Goodnow reminded the Trustees that Terry O’Banion is a leader in community college education. He is a former CEO/President of the League for Innovation. The recent article that he wrote on the completion agenda provides community colleges with guidelines for achieving the goal of doubling the number of degrees and certificates by 2020. J. Goodnow opened the discussion by asking Trustees how they define student success. She also asked Trustees to share their thoughts on the article as well as information from the recent Trustee Institute for Student Success and the ACCT Annual Congress.

R. E. Selby said that the completion agenda “train” has already left the station. It’s a reality that is already here. He added that in the future, he believes that funding paradigms will be set on measuring student success. It is all about assessment and accountability. He added that students don’t do optional – they do what’s required.

R. Stafford said that he had some informal discussions with people in the community about why students stop going to college. The number one reason that he heard was financial. Many students would like to complete, but do not have the resources to do so.

E. Wacksman suggested creating a mentoring program for FTIAC (first time in any college) students. She also suggested making a study skills class or workshop a requirement for new students.

The Trustees requested that Student Success remain a part of the Regular Board Agenda with updates at every meeting.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

E. Wacksman distributed an article from USA today that states that the average tuition increase at colleges and universities across the United States this year was 8%. She commented that it is good to know that Delta has consistently stayed far below that average, keeping tuition affordable for our students.

E. Wacksman commented on the “Ready, Set, Graduate” event that was going on this evening in the hall. She said that it was an innovative and positive way to encourage students to complete.

R. Stafford said that he appreciated the conversation on the completion agenda. He added that Robin Smith, Trustee at LCC was elected to the ACCT National Board.

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ADJOURNMENT There being no further business, Board Vice Chair R. Stafford adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Myles-Sanders, Board Secretary

Andrea Ursuy, Recording Secretary

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