

**Delta College**  
**Board of Trustees Dinner Meeting**  
**Delta College N7**  
**Tuesday, February 13, 2024**  
**5:30 pm**

**Board Present:** A. Baldwin, A. Clark, B. Handley-Miller, D. Middleton, M. Nash, M. Rowley, M. Thomas, M. Wood

**Board Absent:** S. Gannon

**Others Present:** B. Adams, R. Battinkoff, M. Birdwell, T. Brown, J. Carroll, P. Clark, A. Cramer, R. Curry, J. Foco, M. Gavin, L. Govitz, D. Hopkins, T. Johnroe, G. Luczak, D. McQuiston, S. Raube, S. Roche, P. Ross McClain, K. Schuler, E. Suniga, A. Ursuy, C. Wilson

**Press Present:** None

Board Chair, M. Thomas called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. She turned the meeting over to Mike Gavin, Delta College President. M. Gavin presented on Delta College's National Recognition for Local Success.

M. Gavin shared data on our completion equity showing that the gap is lessening among all groups. There were similar results for enrollment equity. He spoke about Semi-Conductor national recognition through Campus Compact and the White House's "Advanced Manufacturing Sprint." In October 2023, M. Gavin was invited to the White House to discuss ways to ensure new semiconductor foci will uplift marginalized communities. In November 2024, M. Gavin joined this discussion with Campus Compact and visited the White House's Office of Science and Technology Policy with other higher education leaders.

M. Gavin announced that Delta College won the Padrón Award, which focuses on civic engagement and equity. Our voter-friendly campus, civic engagement classes and the Saginaw Academy of Excellence all led to Delta winning this award. Delta's team includes Professors Kim Klein, Lisa Lawrason, Kathie Marchlewski and Pam Clark for writing the submission document. This brought together 145 campus presidents and national leaders with tools that our national organizations already provide to implement voting campaigns. Presidents themselves and their staffs are becoming aware of these tools and bringing them to their campuses to engage their students locally in these issues.

M. Gavin introduced Reva Curry, Vice President of Instructional and Learning Services. R. Curry started her presentation stating that Delta College is now a leader college for Achieving the Dream (AtD). Delta's focus on access, retention and completion is described in our strategic plan and is aligned with AtD's focus and their strategic plan. AtD's strategic plan for 2021-2025 focuses on the following:

- Strengthening community colleges' capacity to create transformative change across all aspects of the institution through coaching, supports and targeted services.
- Unleashing the power of the largest reform network in higher education to facilitate peer learning and fine-tune solutions that work in local settings.

- Leveraging the power of data, research, and the wisdom of practice to meet ever more challenging goals and to measure progress toward them.

R. Curry shared Delta’s approach to conferencing. The team attending the AtD conference has a pre-conference meeting to discuss strategy for identifying sessions and documenting lessons learned from the sessions. During the conference, each team member documents session take-aways that will support Delta’s goal for increased access and completion. The team also meets with the AtD coach. After the conference, the team meets to cross reference what they learned with action projects from the College’s strategic plan.

Megan Birdwell, STEM Explorer Coordinator finished with a presentation about the Delta Semiconductor Experience. She started by sharing a brief video explaining what students should expect when participating in the experience. It is made up of five stations including: HSC Simulated Manufacturing Process; Robotics and Automation Lab; Campus STEM Tour; Electronics Lab; and CSS Simulated Manufacturing Process. M. Birdwell said they expect to have up to 700 students attend from the following schools: Saginaw Arts & Sciences Academy, Bay City Central High School, Heritage High School, Bay City Western High School, Bay-Arenac ISD Career Center, Hemlock High School, Freeland High School and Swan Valley High School.

M. Birdwell acknowledged all of the faculty and staff at Delta that are involved in this experience as well as those individuals from Hemlock Semiconductor and SK Siltron CSS. In closing, she shared some student feedback which included 100% of the participants saying that this experience helped them learn more about what semiconductors are and their importance in our region and 100% of them learning about new careers in the semiconductor industry.

There being no further business, the dinner meeting was adjourned at 6:42 pm.

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Talisa Brown, Assistant Board Secretary

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Andrea Ursuy, Board Secretary