

**DELTA COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2008
DELTA COLLEGE BOARD ROOM
7:00 p.m.**

- MEMBERS PRESENT** R. Emrich, K. Higgs, K. Houston-Philpot, T. Lane, K. Lawrence-Webster, J. MacKenzie, R. Stafford, E. Selby, E. Wacksman
- OTHERS PRESENT** J. Goodnow, B. Baker, M. Cooper, C. Drouse, M. Faleski, L. Govitz, P. Graves, D. Halog, M. Heinz, T. Heinz, T. Kubatzke, D. Lutz, J. Mahoney, L. Myles-Sanders, J. Miller, S. Montesi, C. Morley, V. Przygocki, K. Randolph, L. Ramseyer, P. Seidel, T. Stitt, D. Urbaniak, A. Ursuy, S. Whitney, K. Wilson, K. Wolf
- PRESS PRESENT** P. Brandt (Bay City Times), J. Hall (WSGW)
- CALL TO ORDER** Board Chair R. E. Selby called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS** Board Chair R. E. Selby called for comments from the audience.
- ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES** Board Chair Selby called for additions or corrections to the minutes of the Board Dinner Meeting and Regular Meeting of November 11, 2008. T. Lane made a motion to accept to the minutes. K. Houston-Philpot seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as submitted.
- TREASURER’S REPORT** D. Lutz informed the Board that at the end of November, the College remains in a positive cash standing. She added that she has reviewed the financial statements from the last month and there are no new variances to report. K. Houston-Philpot made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report. E. Wacksman seconded the motion. The Treasurer’s Report was accepted as submitted.
- PERSONNEL
BA4723** It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Faith Kindel as Instructional Designer effective January 12, 2009. K. Lawrence-Webster made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from K. Houston-Philpot. Motion passed unanimously.
- PERSONNEL
BA4724** It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Terry L. Morse as Assistant Professor of Manufacturing and Industrial Technology/Skilled Trades in the Technical, Trades, and Manufacturing Division effective July 1, 2009. This is a tenure-track appointment (commencing July 1, 2009 and ending

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on June 30, 2010). R. Emrich made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from R. Stafford. Motion passed unanimously.

**PERSONNEL
BA4725**

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the reappointment of Jennifer A. Williams as Chairperson of the Social Science Division for a three-year term commencing May 1, 2009 and ending April 30, 2012. R. Stafford made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from E. Wacksman. Motion passed unanimously.

**PERSONNEL
BA4726**

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the reappointment of Steven A. Rosin as Chairperson of the Technical, Trades, and Manufacturing Division for a three-year term commencing May 1, 2009 and ending April 30, 2012. K. Houston-Philpot made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from R. Stafford. Motion passed unanimously.

**PERSONNEL
BA4727**

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the Sabbatical Leaves for Wendy Baker (Fall 2009 Semester) and Kara Jimenez (Fall 2009 Semester) as submitted. T. Lane made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from E. Wacksman. Motion passed unanimously.

**PERSONNEL
BA4728**

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the recommendation of Janelle Jenkins as Office Professional, Facilities Administration and Planning effective January 5, 2009. T. Lane made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from K. Higgs. Motion passed unanimously.

**FINANCE
BA4729**

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the Delta College 403(b) Retirement Plan Document and Adoption Agreement. T. Lane made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from K. Higgs. Motion passed unanimously.

**COMMITTEE-OF-THE-
WHOLE
BA4730**

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approved the 2012 Academic Calendar as submitted. R. Emrich asked that the Administration monitor and report cost savings and carbon footprint reductions that occur as a result of implementing the 4-day work week program in spring and summer. Recommendation approved unanimously.

**COMMITTEE-OF-THE-
WHOLE
BA4731**

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve a preliminary schedule of the Regular Board Meeting Calendar for 2009 as submitted. K. Higgs said that the schedule should not be approved until January. R. Emrich moved that the Board meet on

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January 13, 2009 for its next regular meeting. At that time, a schedule will be set for the remainder of the year. K. Higgs seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE
BA4732**

Board Chair R. E. Selby swore in the re-elected Trustees from Midland, Bay, and Saginaw County. Those Trustees are R. Stafford, J. MacKenzie, and K. Lawrence-Webster.

**COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE
*Nomination Committee Report***

R. E. Selby said that the Board Nomination Committee met on December 5, 2008. For the term of 2009-2010, the Committee recommends K. Houston-Philpot as Board Chair and R. Emrich as Board Vice Chair. In addition, the Committee nominates L. Myles-Sanders as Board Secretary and D. Lutz as Board Treasurer.

The election for Board Officers will take place at the January 13, 2009, regular meeting of the Delta College Board of Trustees.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS
--PRESIDENT'S REPORT --
GIFTS TO THE COLLEGE**

Dr. Goodnow reported the following contributions for November 2008: the Foundation received \$91,450.00; Delta Public Broadcasting received \$45,418.00; for a monthly combined total of \$136,868.00. Total fiscal year gifts to date total \$505,319.00.

**PRESIDENT'S
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- ◆ Payment deadline for the winter 2009 semester was Tuesday, December 9. As of December, enrollments are at 103.13% of our credit hour goal. To date, 10,190 students have registered. 3,981 are enrolled in 12 or more credits. 6,209 have registered for 11 credits or less.
- ◆ Dr. Goodnow announced that Delta College is hosting the homecoming of the troops of Company B, 1st Battalion, 125th Infantry of Saginaw's National Guard unit. The event is scheduled for Sunday, December 21 at 1 pm in the Pioneer Gym.
- ◆ Work by Delta's Art instructors is currently featured in the Galleria of the Fine Arts Building. The exhibition will run until the middle of January.
- ◆ Congratulations to Raymond Pfeiffer, Professor of Philosophy. Raymond's article, "Detecting Spirituality and Philosophizing About It," was published in the December issue of Teaching Philosophy.
- ◆ The American Association of Community Colleges and the Association of Community College Trustees has sent a letter to President-Elect Obama outlining the views of community colleges across the nation on some of the most important and pressing issues that we are facing. The letter notes that studies show that investing in community colleges yields a return of \$3 for every \$1 spent!
- ◆ The Michigan New Jobs Training Bill has been passed by the Senate and the House. The Governor is expected to sign the bill prior to the holidays. As a reminder, the Michigan New Jobs Training Bill amends the Michigan Community College Act and state Income tax code to

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provide for the authorization of state community colleges to issue debt on behalf of employers to finance job training.

- ◆ Dr. Goodnow said that Delta College's values are embodied in the activities organized by students and staff throughout the College to help those in need this year. The annual turkey trot raised \$3,200 which was distributed to several community organizations and churches volunteering to make and to serve meals to some of Delta's community neighbors. Employees were generous in their contributions to the United Way. Other activities around campus have included Art for Life, Eat for Heat, Reuse a Shoe, a school supplies drive, our annual food drive (4,476 items collected), and the "Toys for Kids" drive. In a time when our community needs a helping hand, Dr. Goodnow said it makes her proud to see Delta College students and staff reaching out to lend one.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

R. E. Selby congratulated the nursing students who were participating in their pinning ceremony this evening. He also congratulated the cadets who recently graduated from the Police Academy.

E. Wacksman said that the Delta College Bookstore is carrying a new line of items called "A World of Good." The items are produced in third world countries. The profit from the sale of the goods is given back to those countries. She commended the Bookstore Manager for carrying these items.

R. Stafford said that he would like to pass along "kudos" about the College that he heard from someone who works with Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC). He said that this person had great things to say about working with Delta College.

K. Higgs stated concerns about college affordability, the President's compensation, and clauses in the President's contract regarding residence in the Carlyon Farmhouse and indemnification. He has prepared litigation but would accept an Attorney General's opinion.

K. Lawrence-Webster noted that "we are walking a fine line of micromanaging." R. E. Selby added that the Board expects the Administration of Delta College to execute policy and follow the law.

R. Emrich stated that legal counsel has reviewed the contract and CPA's have reviewed the Farmhouse residency treatment. He said that he looks to legal counsel and accountants for guidance on these matters. Both have found the matter to be legal and in compliance with IRS guidelines. T. Lane added that the College sought an additional opinion from auditors.

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R. Emrich said that the Delta College Board required the President to live at the Carlyon Farmhouse as a condition of employment when she was hired in 2005.

ADJOURNMENT

K. Lawrence-Webster made a motion to adjourn the meeting with support from R. Emrich. There being no further business, Board Chair Selby adjourned the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Myles-Sanders, Board Secretary

Andrea Ursuy, Recording Secretary

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