

**DELTA COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
Delta College Main Campus
Tuesday, February 18, 2014
7:00 p.m.**

- BOARD PRESENT** R. Emrich, K. Lawrence-Webster, M. Nash, M. Rowley, E. Selby, R. Stafford, E. Wacksman
- BOARD ABSENT** K. Houston-Philpot, J. MacKenzie
- OTHERS PRESENT** J. Goodnow, B. Baker, T. Brown, P. Clark, R. Combs, E. Crane, C. Curtis, C. Dzurka, D. Freed, A. French, M. Gmeiner, L. Govitz, T. Heinz, M. Januzzi, B. Kemmer, G. Luczak, D. Lutz, R. McCracken, J. Miller, M. Moore, M. Mosqueda, D. Peruski, F. Peters, G. Przygocki, L. Ramseyer, R. Rice, K. Schuler, T. Sheikhnassasi, T. Stitt, H. Szabo, L. Ullrich, A. Ursuy, B. Webb, S. Whitney, S. Witzke
- PRESS PRESENT** K. Lutz (Delta Collegiate), J. Hall (WSGW)
- CALL TO ORDER** Board Chair, R. Stafford, called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.
- APPROVAL OF AGENDA** Board Chair Stafford called for approval of the agenda.

M. Rowley made a motion to approve the agenda with support from K. Lawrence-Webster. Motion passed unanimously.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS** Board Chair Stafford called for public comment.

Michael Januzzi, Delta College Vista Worker; Rochelle Rice, Delta College Vista Worker; and Helen Szabo and Tony Sheikhnassasi spoke briefly about the Delta College Public Achievement Program. They noted the positive impact that the program has both on Delta College students and the high school students that are part of the program.

R. Stafford said that the Board heard a Dinner Meeting presentation on the Public Achievement Program about 9 months ago and agreed that it is an excellent program.
- TREASURER'S REPORT** D. Lutz said that at the end of the month of January, the College remains in solid cash position. The State of Michigan is in the initial stages of budget development. The Governor's Budget Proposal includes tuition restraint language for community colleges. The tuition restraint language will mean a significant impact on our planning. The College is facing an overall budget imbalance of \$2 million at this time.

J. Goodnow said that Michigan Community College Presidents and the MCCA are opposed to the tuition restraint language. She added that she may request the help of Trustees in communicating with our legislators regarding this issue.

CONSENT AGENDA

R. Emrich made a motion to approve the consent agenda with support from K. Lawrence-Webster. The consent agenda passed unanimously resulting in:

Acceptance of Minutes:

1. Board Special Meeting, January 13, 2014
2. Board Dinner Meeting, January 21, 2014
3. Board Regular Meeting, January 21, 2014

EMERGENCY LIGHTING – B & S WINGS BA5043

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the selection of Bock Electric, Inc. of Rhodes, Michigan to furnish all labor and materials to complete the B and S Wings Emergency Lighting/Essential Power project based on their bid of \$166,000. R. Emrich made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from K. Lawrence-Webster. Motion passed unanimously.

SENATE POLICY 3.022, 3.023, 3.024 BA5044

It is the recommendation of the administration that the Board of Trustees approve the revisions to Senate Policy 3.022 Release of Faculty for Financial Exigency and approve the new Senate Policies 3.023 Release of Faculty Due to Program Elimination and 3.024 Release of Faculty Due to Declining Enrollments. R. E. Selby made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from E. Wacksman. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Goodnow said that she appreciates the efforts of all who worked on Senate Policies 3.022, 3.023, and 3.024. She thanked the committees as well as Sheryl Jensen, Kay Schuler, and Talisa Brown for their work in getting the policies ready for the Board this evening.

Enrollment Report

9,895 students are enrolled for the winter semester (compared to 10,720 students enrolled in the winter of 2013).

Registration for spring/summer begins on March 11.

Personnel Report

A complete report of hires and separations for the month of January can be found in Board packets.

Information Sharing

- Trustee Dee Dee Wacksman has been selected as a recipient of the YWCA Great Lakes Bay Region 2014 Lifetime Women of Achievement Awards. She is being honored as a lifetime community volunteer. Congratulations Dee Dee – this is a well-deserved award. Recipients will be honored at a dinner and ceremony on Wednesday, March 19, 2014. (*Tickets are available online or by contacting the YWCA at 989-894-9055.*)

- Congratulations to Deb Lutz, Shelly Whitney, and the entire Finance Office Staff. Delta College has again received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the current budget from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA).

In a press release regarding this award, the GFOA notes that “this award reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting.”

- Dr. Goodnow shared that Delta College Student, Helen Szabo, is one of four leading female college students who will join eight outstanding female leaders in being honored as “Great Women of the Great Lakes Bay Region.” She’ll receive the award on Thursday, February 27.
- Congratulations to Cynthia Reyes, Admissions Advisor, and Tomas Betancourt, Audio/Visual Coordinator, who recently completed the Great Lakes Bay Hispanic Leadership Institute.
- Congratulations also go to Denise Fahrenbruch, chef in Delta’s Red Brix Café. Denise earned gold and silver awards during the 24th Annual Hot Food Competition at Zehnder’s Restaurant in Frankenmuth. Proceeds from this event support the Saginaw East Side Soup Kitchen.
- Carla Murphy, Associate Professor of Lifelong Wellness, and Ron Sharp, Professor of Chemistry, are recipients of this year’s John & Suanne Roueche Excellence Award from the League for Innovation in the Community College. The award was established to honor and celebrate outstanding contributions and leadership by community college faculty and staff.
- Included in Board folders this evening:
 - a new name tag
 - a copy of a letter from Gloria J. Rubis, Superintendent of Bridgeport-Spaulding Community School District supporting the Buena Vista Township zone for the Saginaw Center
 - our student newspaper, the Collegiate.
- This month’s Fantastic Faculty Newsletter which highlights the professional and community activities of our faculty has been posted to the Trustees’ Box account .

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

E. Wacksman summarized a report that she read in the Sarasota Tribune regarding the value of technical schools and technical training. She said that the need for technical training is evident across the nation and she is pleased with the great job that we are doing at Delta College.

M. Nash said he is pleased that Professor Sharp is a recipient of the Roueche Award. He said that Professor Sharp is one of the great teachers that he remembers from Delta College.

M. Nash asked several questions regarding the Saginaw Center Project:

- Why do we need to move from a 22,000 sq. ft. facility to a 35,000 sq. ft. facility?
- How do we attract more students/broaden the appeal in an area that has suffered double digit population losses?
- What is the business plan for the Saginaw Center?

M. Nash also stated that just because an entity is prepared to provide land for free it doesn't mean that is the best fit for the College.

J. Goodnow noted that M. Nash made several good points. She said that information that should answer these questions will be provided as part of the Administrative Team and Consultant presentation to the Board of Trustees in March. Some of the areas that will be strengthened at our Centers include scheduling, career programs, and partnerships.

R. E. Selby said that he recently returned from the ACCT Legislative Summit in Washington DC. He said that the meeting helped him to reaffirm that Delta College is indeed "one of America's Leading Community Colleges."

M. Rowley shared information regarding an innovative program that awards high school students by providing a monetary incentive to those who complete a year early. He said if we would like to encourage our legislators to support such a program in the State of Michigan, he would be happy to begin communicating with them.

R. Emrich said that he appreciates M. Nash's comments. This is a difficult time in our region and we have to be very thoughtful about what we do.

R. Emrich said that the ACCT Meeting was very beneficial. He mentioned meetings with the Department of Commerce, Representative Dan Kildee, and Senator Carl Levin. He said that Senator Levin and Senator Stabenow have been great friends to the Community College Movement. He also said that the person that he met with at the Department of Commerce was innovative and stimulating and that it would be interesting to bring him here to talk about our centers and our programs.

K. Lawrence-Webster asked if Buena Vista was offered an opportunity to present since the City of Saginaw will be presenting to the Board at the Special Meeting on Thursday, February 20. R. Stafford responded that a Board Member had requested additional information from the City of Saginaw because they had only presented (as requested) on their zone areas and not on a specific site. In contrast, Buena Vista presented on a specific site.

R. Emrich made a motion that the Board hear the presentation from the Administrative Team and Consultants regarding the Saginaw Center in March and then wait to vote at the next meeting. The motion was seconded by M. Nash. Motion passed with a vote of 6 in favor. R. E. Selby voted in opposition to the motion. (BA5045)

M. Rowley made a motion to extend an invite to Buena Vista Township to present to the Board for a second time at a special meeting. R. E. Selby seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. (BA5046)

K. Lawrence-Webster suggested that on the night of the presentation made by the Administrative Team and the Consultants, that public comment take place following the presentation so that the Board can hear from its constituents.

R. E. Selby said that after hearing about the success of the Learning Communities Program at Delta College, he is not comfortable with only 2% of our students participating in the program. He said that he thinks that this should be required of all students. D. Peruski said that he is working with our Learning Communities Coordinator on strategies to increase participation in the program.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Board Chair Stafford adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Andrea Ursuy, Board Secretary