# DELTA COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2009 7:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT** 

R. Emrich, K. Higgs, K. Houston-Philpot, T. Lane, K. Lawrence-Webster, J. MacKenzie, R. E. Selby, R. Stafford, E. Wacksman

**OTHERS PRESENT** 

J. Goodnow, B. Baker, A. Colenbrander, W. Collins, P. Clark, M. Frost, J. Gleason, S. Goddard, L. Govitz, P. Graves, D. Harris, S. Hartshorn, E. Heil, J. Knochel, T. Kubatzke, D. Lutz, J. Miller, C. Morley, M. Mosqueda, L. Myles-Sanders, L. Petee, G. Przygocki, L. Ramseyer, K. Randolph, D. Redman, S. Romer, D. Salinas, P. Seidel, A. Sinclair, T. Stitt, A. Ursuy, J. VandeZande, B. Webb, K.

Wilson, M. Wiltse, D. Zube

PRESS PRESENT

P. Brandt (Bay City Times), J. Hall (WSGW)

**CALL TO ORDER** 

Board Chair K. Houston-Philpot called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** 

Board Chair K. Houston-Philpot called for comments from the public.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Board Chair K. Houston-Philpot called for additions or corrections to the minutes of the Board Dinner Meeting and Regular Meeting of April 14, 2009. R. Emrich made a motion to accept to the minutes. K. Lawrence-Webster seconded the motion. Minutes were accepted as submitted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

D. Lutz informed the Board that at the end of April, the College remains in a healthy financial position. Due to increased enrollments, College revenues are exceeding projections for this time of year. She added that there are no other major variances to report at this time.

PERSONNEL BA4759 It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Alexandros Goudas as English Instructor in the English Division for the 2009-2010 academic year. This is a tenure-track appointment (commencing August 19, 2009, and ending on June 30, 2010). T. Lane made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from R. Stafford. Motion passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL BA4760 It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Aurelian Balan as Physics Instructor in the Science Division for the 2009-2010 academic year. This is a tenure-track appointment (commencing August 19, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010.) E. Selby made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from K. Lawrence-Webster. Motion passed unanimously.

PERSONNEL BA4761 It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Matthew Roe as Management Instructor in the Business and Information Technology Division for the 2009-2010 academic year. This is a tenure-track appointment (commencing August 19, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010.) T. Lane made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from E. Selby. Motion passed unanimously.

**FINANCE** 

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the attached

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#### **BA4762**

Tuition and Fee Schedule freezing academic tuition and fees for FY 2009-2010. K. Higgs made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from E. Wacksman. Motion passed unanimously.

#### FINANCE BA4763

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of 39 computer systems at a cost of \$116,407 to Apple Computer. K. Lawrence-Webster made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from E. Wacksman. Motion passed unanimously.

#### FINANCE BA4764

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of 181 computer systems and 31 additional monitors at a cost of \$250,079 to Dell Corporation. R. Emrich made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from K. Lawrence-Webster. Motion passed unanimously.

#### FINANCE BA4765

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees award the Tower High Intensity Daytime Strobe Lighting System Replacement purchase to Grant Tower Erection and Excavating in the amount of \$115,065. T. Lane made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from K. Lawrence-Webster. Motion approved unanimously.

#### FINANCE BA4766

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of online training services from Tooling U as part of the Corporate Services EDJT grant contract with American Axle and Manufacturing, contingent on final approval of the grant, not to exceed \$300,000. E. Selby made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from K. Higgs. Motion approved unanimously.

## COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE BA4767

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the addition of the Sustainability Statement to Senate Policy 1.007 – Guiding Principles. T. Lane made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from R. Stafford. Motion approved unanimously.

## COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE BA4768

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve changing the "WP" and "WE" grades to a "W" in Senate Policies 4.005 – Academic/Student Records, 4.015 – Course Drops/Adds and Withdrawal, and 8.010 – Academic Grades. This revision also includes changing the grade of "E" to an "F" to signify failing, changing the significance of a "C-" from "Average" to "Below Average," and general wording clarifications. R. Emrich made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from E. Selby. Motion approved unanimously.

# COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE BA4769

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve revision of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Senate that will include the Delta College Support Staff in the Senate Assembly. T. Lane made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from E. Wacksman. Motion approved unanimously.

#### COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE BA4770

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve a new Advanced Certificate in Digital Film Production effective Fall semester 2009. This is proposed by the English and Humanities Divisions. E. Selby made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from E. Wacksman. Motion approved unanimously.

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## COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE BA4771

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees ratify the Delta College Foundation By-Laws, as amended and approved by the Foundation Board of Directors on May 6, 2009. T. Lane made a motion to approve the recommendation with support from R. Stafford. Motion approved unanimously.

# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS --PRESIDENT'S REPORT – GIFTS TO THE COLLEGE

Dr. Goodnow reported the following contributions for April 2009: the Foundation received \$44,267.00; Delta Public Broadcasting received \$50,462.00; for a monthly combined total of \$94,729.00.

# PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Spring/Summer classes began on Saturday, May 9. As of May 12, 6,116 students are enrolled for the semester.

Registration for fall semester is underway. As of May 12, 2009, 7,335 students have registered (2,987 full-time, 4,348 part-time).

Christine Greve, Regional Director of the Michigan Small Business Technology Development Center, attended the "Michigan Celebrates Small Business" awards ceremony on April 30, 2009. This year, 3 companies from Midland were cited in the list of *Michigan 50 Companies to Watch*. Congratulations to Gantec Advance LLC, Ingenuity IEQ, Inc., and Precision Torque Control, Inc.

Recently, two articles were published that highlight Delta College's sustainability efforts. The first, published in "Sustainability: The Journal of Record," discusses Delta's recycling program. The second, published in "Campus Technology," is a feature article which cites Delta College as a "model" for launching a cohesive sustainability program.

On May 22, 2009, Dr. Goodnow will join Judy Miller and Teresa Stitt as they lead a travel study tour to Kenya, East Africa. The twenty—one member group will consist of administrators, instructors, librarians, and three Nursing students. In addition, a medical team from Bay Regional Medical Center, a social worker and a number of retired teachers will be traveling with the group. The purpose of this trip is to visit, strengthen, and maintain the alliance developed with Delta College's two sister colleges in Kenya. Plans include exploring student exchanges, teambuilding workshops, renewing our alliance, and assisting our local medical community with exploring international connections.

The MCCA Board of Directors Summer Workshop is scheduled for July 23 and 24 at the Grand Traverse Resort in Traverse City. This year's keynote speaker will be Mark Milliron. Milliron is the CEO of Catalyze Learning International.

The Foundation Golf Classic will take place on Tuesday, June 16, at Apple Mountain. Proceeds from the Golf Classic support Delta's five varsity sports programs (men's and women's basketball, men's soccer, women's softball and women's volleyball), through scholarship assistance and equipment purchases.

Congratulations to Q-TV for its local Emmy nomination for Tracks Through Time.

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#### TRUSTEE COMMENTS

E. Wacksman said that she had the opportunity to attend the Student Leadership Academy Kick-off last week. She said that it was great to meet students. She will update the Board as the program progresses.

R. Stafford said that the Bylaws Committee is continuing its work. The committee has worked to completely reinvent the bylaws. It has been a long process, but worthwhile as several important discussions have resulted. As soon as a draft version is ready, it will be posted on the internet for review and comment. R. Emrich added that it is important to provide the committee with feedback. The Board believes in shared governance and would like to hear the feedback of the college community.

E. Selby said that during a lunch meeting, a complete stranger recognized him and explained that Delta College had made a difference in her life. This is just one example of the exemplary service that Delta College provides to our students and the community.

R. Stafford said that this year's commencement was outstanding. The speakers did a wonderful job.

R. Emrich said that Terry Rock is retiring after 38 years of service to the College. Terry was the "voice of Delta College" for many years, worked to pass some tough millages, and carries many institutional memories with him as he leaves. K. Higgs asked if the Board could provide some special recognition for Terry. R. Emrich said that maybe the Board should think about a way to recognize retirees for service, such as inviting them to a meeting to be recognized.

#### **CHAIR COMMENTS**

Board Chair, K. Houston-Philpot, said that she had opportunity to attend the Legislative Luncheon last Friday. During the luncheon, she heard two messages from our legislators. The first is that they are working hard on bipartisanship. The second is that the fiscal challenges that we are facing in the State of Michigan now will only get harder over the next 2 years.

Ms. Houston-Philpot said that the ACCT Conference will take place in San Francisco this October. As agreed at a previous Board Meeting, a Trustee from each county will be invited to go. Trustees should let Andrea Ursuy know if they are interested in attending. E. Selby said that he would like to attend.

Ms. Houston-Philpot said that Dr. Goodnow has provided her with a self-evaluation. Board Chair Houston-Philpot said that she will distribute evaluation materials in the next week both hard copy and electronically for the Trustees to complete. She added that the Special Meeting of the Board will take place on June 19, 2009, at the Delta College Planetarium. Dr. Walter Bumpus will facilitate the meeting. His presentation will focus on Board leadership, growth, and development.

Ms. Houston-Philpot welcomed E. Wacksman back, and congratulated R. Stafford and T. Lane. R. Stafford received the Delta College Spirit of Willie E. Thompson Award. T. Lane retired after 35 years of service at Dow Corning.

In closing, Ms. Houston-Philpot said that change is truly in the wind. At tonight's meeting, the

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Board of Trustees heard a report on developmental education. Ms. Houston-Philpot highlighted the Board's approval of a freeze in tuition and fees for FY09-10, a new film certificate, inclusion of the Support Staff in the College Senate, and the addition of sustainability to the College's Guiding Principles. She said that Delta College is one of America's leading community colleges.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Board Chair Houston-Philpot adjourned the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie Myles-Sanders, Board Secretary
Andrea Ursuy, Recording Secretary