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Delta College  
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting  
Delta College Board Room (B-151)  
Tuesday, January 10, 2023  
7:00 p.m.

**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, D. Allen, L. Brown, M. Brown, T. Brown, J. Carroll, A. Clark, P. Clark, T. Clark, L. Coney, R. Curry, S. DuFresne, J. Foco, J. Garn, M. Gavin, L. Govitz, J. Harned, C. Inabinet, J. Lamar, D. McQuiston, A. Miller, T. Miller, D. Petersen, W. Ramirez, M. Ray, P. Ross McClain, L. Schmidt, K. Schuler, C. Starkey, D. Thomas, A. Ursuy, C. Van Til, E. Yaworski, J. Young

**PRESS PRESENT** None

**CALL TO ORDER** Board Chair Nash called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** Board Chair Nash asked for a motion to approve the agenda.  
M. Rowley made a motion to approve the agenda. M. Wood seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**A. OATH OF OFFICE** Board Secretary, Andrea Ursuy, administered the oath of office to Arshen Baldwin, Saginaw County Trustee (4-year term, beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2026), Alex Clark, Saginaw County (6-year term beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2028), Barb Handley-Miller, Bay County (6-year term beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2028) and Wm. Michael Wood, Midland County Trustee (6-year term beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2028).

**B. ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS (BA5474)** D. Middleton, Chair of the Nominating Committee, made a motion that the Board of Trustees approve the following slate of officers for 2023 and 2024.  
Trustee, Marcia Thomas, Saginaw County – Chair  
Trustee, Stacey Gannon, Midland County – Vice Chair  
Sarah DuFresne, Treasurer  
Andrea Ursuy, Secretary  
A. Clark seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.  
M. Nash passed the gavel to M. Thomas and M. Thomas took over as Board Chair.

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**APPROVAL OF THE ASSISTANT BOARD SECRETARY (BA5475)**

M. Gavin recommended that the Board approve Talisa Brown to continue in her role as Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees.

M. Rowley made a motion to approve the recommendation. M. Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**C. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES 2023 REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE (BA5476)**

It is the recommendation of the Administration that the Board of Trustees approve the 2023 Regular Meeting Schedule.

M. Rowley made a motion to approve the recommendation. M. Wood seconded the motion.

A. Clark asked for consideration of rotating the meetings to the centers more frequently. M. Thomas replied that this would likely require some additional planning. A. Ursuy added that if a change in the regular meeting schedule was deemed necessary, the Board could take formal action to change the schedule at a later date.

Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Board Chair Thomas called for public comment.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

S. DuFresne said that the Board has received the College financial statements as of December 31, 2022. At this time, there are no material variances to report. The College closed on the sale of the former Midland Center in late December. She pointed out that the endowment numbers in the reports are as of September 30, 2022. As of today, the endowment is valued at \$29.4 million.

The State will meet for the first consensus conference on January 13 signaling the start of the budget cycle.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Board Chair Thomas called for approval of the consent agenda.

M. Wood made a motion to approve the consent agenda. A. Clark seconded the motion.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda resulting in:

A. Acceptance of Minutes:

1. Board Special Meeting, Nominating Committee, November 28, 2022
2. Board Dinner Meeting, December 13, 2022
3. Board Regular Meeting, December 13, 2022

**STUDENT SUCCESS: THE T/LC, WRIT, and TESTING CENTER**

The Student Success Report entitled "Learning Support Services" was presented by Danielle Petersen, manager of the Teaching Learning Center, WRIT Center, and the Testing Center. She gave an overview of the academic support services offered by the T/LC, WRIT Center and the Testing Center. One growing segment of their work is the support of students recommended to them through the Early Alert process.

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The Trustees thanked D. Petersen for her presentation and asked how they can help. D. Petersen responded that additional staffing will be needed as demands grow. M. Gavin added that the Trustees can help by conveying the needs to their legislators.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**    **Enrollment Report**

The winter semester began on January 7. As of today, 7,126 students are registered. We projected 67,211 contact hours for the semester and are currently at 105% (70,504 contact hours). As of today, the College is up 9% when compared to Winter 2022. Dr. Gavin added that he is pleased to report that all 29 students in the Saginaw Academy of Excellence passed all their classes in Fall 2022.

### **Information Sharing**

- Congratulations to Joe Hernandez, associate professor of mathematics. He is the recipient of the 2023 Spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Award sponsored by Delta's Black Faculty and Staff Association. The award will be presented at the 27<sup>th</sup> annual Unity Luncheon event on Monday, January 16. The guest speaker for this year's celebration is Jacob Brown.
- The Great Lakes Bay Regional Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration will be held at SVSU on Wednesday, January 18, beginning at 7pm. The keynote speaker is Bakari Sellers.
- The faculty and staff winter learning day is scheduled for Friday, January 20, from 8am-4pm. The theme is "Pathways to Success." Trustees are welcome to attend.
- The College has submitted the League Reaffirmation materials. The next step in the process is a virtual visit.
- The Board will receive a brief survey regarding topics for an upcoming special professional development meeting which will be presented by a representative of ACCT. Please complete the survey so that we can get an idea of the primary areas of interest of the Board for this development opportunity.

M. Gavin thanked M. Nash for his excellent service as Board Chair. He noted the support that M. Nash gave him in his first year as President and talked about his excellent leadership during the presidential search process. He presented M. Nash with a plaque in honor of his service.

**TRUSTEE COMMENTS**    D. Middleton read a comment from S. Gannon who was unable to attend the meeting. S. Gannon said she is honored and humbled to serve as the Vice Chair of the Board. She welcomed our new Trustees and said she is proud of Delta College and its positive impact on the community.

M. Wood congratulated and welcomed the new members of the Board. He said he is looking forward to his term and to continuing to support Delta College and the students in our community.

M. Nash said thank you for the plaque. He also welcomed the new Trustees.

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M. Rowley congratulated and welcomed the new Trustees. He also noted that the MCCA Board meets twice a year. Recently, the Board voted to extend a 3-year contract to Brandy Johnson the CEO.

B. Handley-Miller said that it is great to begin this work together. She said that everyone has been gracious and welcoming. B. Handley-Miller said that she retired from Delta College after 17 years as a professor. She also noted that she has heard many great things about Dr. Gavin and looks forward to the work ahead.

D. Middleton thanked M. Nash for his service as chair and welcomed the new Trustees. She pointed out the years of longevity in three employees who are retiring from the College.

D. Middleton invited Trustees to join her in volunteering to review scholarship essays for the Foundation Office. She said it is a great way to get to know our students. Finally, she mentioned how excellent the PBS Passport is.

A. Clark said that he is excited to be a part of the Board. He said that it is an honor to serve. He thanked D. Petersen for her presentation and added that he will be joining D. Middleton in reviewing scholarship essays.

A. Baldwin said that she is grateful to the community for electing her. She said that she really appreciates the student success portion of these meetings.

### **CHAIR COMMENTS**

Chair Thomas said that she is honored and excited to serve as Board Chair.

She read a comment from Dr. Emrich who said, “ to convey my heartfelt thanks for all who made my last meeting an overwhelming joy. God's blessing to all and my best wishes to all of you.”

Chair Thomas reminded Trustees to return their conflict of interest forms to Andrea Ursuy.

Chair Thomas said that in February she will be appointing members to Board committees. She said that she has asked Andrea Ursuy to put together brief descriptions of each committee.

Happy Birthday to Alex Clark, January 6 and Mike Nash, January 10.

The ACCT Legislative Summit is coming up. Chair Thomas said that the operating parameters allow for one Trustee from each county to attend. She will be working to make sure the Trustees are represented.

Chair Thomas ended her comments by saying that as we close in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Monday, pay tribute to him by having a “Day On.”

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Thomas adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

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Andrea Ursuy, Board Secretary