



Southwestern Michigan College Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 29, 2025
Room 2112, David C. Briegel Building

General Business

Members of the Southwestern Michigan College Board of Trustees met on September 29, 2025 for a special meeting.

The meeting was convened at 8:00 a.m. by Board Chairman Tom Jerdon.

Members Present: Tom Jerdon, Tracy Hertsel, Becky Moore, Dr. Elaine Foster, Todd Obren, Skip Dyes, Beth Cripe

Members Absent: none

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Becky Moore moved, seconded by Tracy Hertsel, to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Input

No requests by individuals for public input.

Action

Dr. Elaine Foster moved, seconded by Todd Obren, to amend the motion of the following candidates for the second round of interviews for the next President of SMC. Roll call: Skip Dyes-yes, Tracy Hertsel-yes, Dr. Elaine Foster-yes, Todd Obren-yes, Beth Cripe-yes, Becky Moore-yes, Tom Jerdon-yes.

The interviews with the following candidates:

Mr. Billy Franklin
Dr. Kevin McCaskey
Dr. Klint Pleasant
Dr. Jonathan Swarts

Adjournment

Dr. Elaine Foster moved to adjourn at 8:20 a.m. Tracy Hertsel seconded. Passed unanimously.

Beth Cripe, Secretary

Thomas F. Jerdon, Chairman