



Southwestern Michigan College Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 8, 2021

Room 2112, David C. Briegel Building

General Business

Members of the Southwestern Michigan College Board of Trustees met on December 8, 2021 for a regularly scheduled meeting.

In the absence of the Chair, as Secretary, Beth Cripe called the regular meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and made a motion to declare the chair vacant and proceed to elect Treasurer Moore as "Chair pro tem." The motion was seconded by Tracy Hertsel. Motion passed unanimously.

Members Present: Becky Moore, Beth Cripe, Dr. Elaine Foster, Tracy Hertsel

Members Absent: Tom Jerdon, Bill White, Keith McKenzie

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the November 10, 2021 regular convened meeting required no changes and were placed on file.

Dr. Elaine Foster moved, seconded by Tracy Hertsel, to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously by individual roll call vote.

Public Input

No individual requested to speak.

Other

The Treasurer's Report for the month ending November 30, 2021 was received and placed on file.

Dr. Odenwald's President's Report: Excellence at SMC, Volume 4.

Associate Professor's, Gary Franchy and Mark Pelfrey, presented information regarding the Southwestern Michigan Honors Program to the Board. Currently, the program has 10 students enrolled who are required to carry a minimum of 12 credits in Honor Experience Contracts. The Honors Program offers university partnerships, conferences, competitions and opportunities to provide service to the community. Since its inception 5 years ago, the program has had 63 graduates.

Discussion Items

Trustees reviewed the listing of gifts given to the Foundation, with eight individual donations for a grand total of \$2,125.

Dr. Fleming discussed the online programs approval from the Higher Learning Commission. He stated that SMC will have programs that will be done completely as online courses.

Action Items

Beth Cripe moved, seconded by Tracy Hertsel, to accept the Board of Trustees meeting dates for the calendar year 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

Tracy Hertsel moved, seconded by Dr. Elaine Foster, to accept with gratitude the gifts to the College shown in attachment 5B, with two individual donations to the College in the amount of \$1,200. Motion passed unanimously.

Review of Follow-up Requests

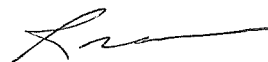
No follow-up requests were made of the administration.

Adjournment

Beth Cripe moved to adjourn at 8:38 a.m. Tracy Hertsel seconded. Motion passed unanimously.



Beth Cripe, Secretary



Becky Moore, Chair pro tem