

SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 15, 2016
Room 2112, David C. Briegel Building

GENERAL BUSINESS

Members of the Southwestern Michigan College Board of Trustees met on February 15, 2016 for a regularly scheduled meeting.

The meeting was convened at 7:00 p.m. by Board Chairman Tom Jerdon.

Members Present: Tom Jerdon, Keith McKenzie, Bill White, Becky Moore, Beth Cripe, Heidi Grabemeyer-Layman, Todd Obren

Members Absent: n/a

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the January 18, 2016 regular convened meeting required no changes and were placed on file.

Beth Cripe moved to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Three individuals were recognized for their service at the College:

Mr. Larry Wilson was recognized for his years of service and was presented with his 5 year pin.

Mr. David Dussel was recognized for his years of service and was presented with his 5 year pin.

Ms. Sue Schmeichel was recognized for her years of service and was presented with her 20 year pin.

REPORTS

The Treasurer's Report for the month ending January 31, 2016 was received and placed on file.

Fraudulent Invoicing by Contractor. Dr. Mathews and VP Coulston informed trustees that the College had discovered falsified invoicing for change orders by Beckering Construction for the O'Leary/Daugherty renovation project. Beckering invoices had altered the subcontractor's invoices to higher amounts. President Mathews, VP Coulston, and Mr. Atkinson confronted David Beckering of these facts. He took full responsibility for what he characterized as probably the actions of his assistant who is no longer with his company. Final reconciliation of all change orders is being done, and the amount of fraud is approximately \$31,000. Once our business office confirms the final amount, Beckering construction will issue an immediate refund. President Mathews praised VP Coulston and the college Controller, Michelle Kite as well as Director of Buildings and Grounds John Eberhart for their astute attention to detail in uncovering this fraud.

PUBLIC INPUT

No one requested an opportunity to provide public input.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Foundation Investment Policy

SB98 Update

Updated Week at a Glance MCCA Summer Conference

ACTION ITEMS

Becky Moore moved to accept the Foundation Investment Policy as amended by the SMC Board of Trustees. Motion passed unanimously.

Beth Cripe moved to accept the appointment to the Foundation Board as listed in attachment 5b. Passed unanimously.

Heidi Grabemeyer-Layman moved to accept with gratitude the many gifts shown in attachment 5c. Passed unanimously.

REVIEW OF FOLLOW-UP REQUESTS

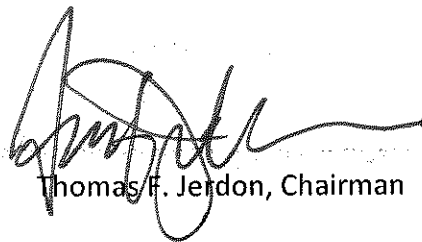
No follow-up requests were made.

ADJOURNMENT

Todd Obren moved to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Passed Unanimously.



Bill White, Secretary



Thomas F. Jerdon, Chairman