

SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 15, 2017
Room 2112, David C. Briegel Building

GENERAL BUSINESS

Members of the Southwestern Michigan College Board of Trustees met on May 15, 2017 for a regularly scheduled meeting.

The meeting was convened at 7:02 p.m. by Board Chairman Thomas F. Jerdon.

Members Present: Thomas F. Jerdon, Keith McKenzie, Bill White, Becky Moore, Todd Obren

Members Absent: Beth Cripe, Heidi Grabemeyer-Layman

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the April 17, 2017 regular convened meeting required no changes and were placed on file.

Becky Moore moved to approve the agenda with agenda item 2a becoming 2b and agenda item 2b becoming 2a. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

Nancy Wuszke was recognized by the Board for her generous donation establishing the George Wuszke Agricultural Memorial Scholarship in memory of her late husband.

Randy Reimers and Bea Jones of Fifth Third bank presented a check of \$7,000 for Sponsorship of Steve's Run.

The Treasurer's Report for the month ending April 30, 2017 was received and placed on file.

The 2017-2018 Budget was presented by VP Susan Coulston and Michelle Kite.

Financial Aid Update. President Mathews described the Department of Education's resolution of the problem caused by the unavailable data retrieval tool. Financial Aid administrators will now (once again) be able to use signed paper copies of tax returns to verify eligibility for financial aid.

Michigan Auditor General and MPSERS

President Mathews outlined the situation and-site visit on April 27 & 28, 2017 by members of the Michigan Auditor General's office. It is anticipated that they will have a draft report sometime in the coming weeks.

President's Report:

- Employee Recognition Breakfast was held on May 1, 2017 with awards being handed out to Student of the Year, Full-time Faculty of the Year, Part-time Faculty of the Year, Staff Member of the Year and Team of the Year
- Student group tour of Michigan history
- Student Rock Climbing Club Trip to Kentucky

PUBLIC INPUT

No one requested an opportunity to provide public input.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Next Steps: Board Policy and Governance Revisions

-Three board members (White, Moore, and Jerdon) and President Mathews will be attending the ACCT Annual Leadership Congress and pre-congress academy "Effective Board Governance: Policy Governance to Traditional Models" in September.

Potential Partnership with Headstart

-Discussed renovating of old office space of the Bookstore Annex
-Monitor cameras in the parking lot

Nursing Building bid openings, ground breaking ceremony

-Bid opening will be on June 19, 2017
-No date has been set for the ground breaking ceremony

ACTION ITEMS

Keith McKenzie moved to approve the recommendation to hold the Public Budget Hearing at the next Regular meeting scheduled for June 19, 2017. Passed unanimously.

Todd Obren moved to approve the recommendation that Southwestern Michigan College adopt the 80/20 health care cost distribution model in lieu of the "hard cap" model. Passed unanimously.

Becky Moore moved to hire Plante & Moran, PLLC to continue as the auditors for the College for the next three fiscal years (years ending June 30, 2018, 2019, 2020). Motion approved with unanimous voice vote.

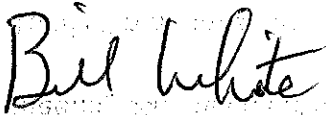
Bill White moved to recommend for Financial Aid for Student Scholarships be designated as approved projects for the Foundation for the 2017-2018 fiscal year as shown in attachment 5d. Motion approved with unanimous voice vote.

REVIEW OF FOLLOW-UP REQUESTS

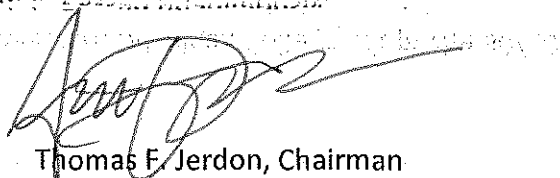
No follow-up requests were made.

ADJOURNMENT

Todd Obren moved to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. Passed Unanimously.



Bill White, Secretary



Thomas F. Jerdon, Chairman