



Southwestern Michigan College Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 21, 2020

Room 2109, David C. Briegel Building

General Business

Members of the Southwestern Michigan College Board of Trustees met on September 21, 2020 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, Dr. Elaine Foster, Tracy Hertsel

Members Absent: none

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the August 17, 2020 regular convened meeting required no changes and were placed on file.

Dr. Elaine Foster moved, seconded by Keith McKenzie, to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Input

No Individuals requested public input.

Other

The Treasurer's Report for the month ending August 31, 2020 was received and placed on file.

President Odenwald delivered his President's Report:

- Update on COVID items and campus opening.
- Flu shots on campus starting next month.
- Fall enrollment is at 1800 (88 more than budgeted), down 100 freshmen.
- All community colleges may receive FY 2021 appropriations at the original FY20 level.
- HLC work proceeding for October LRP.
- Reviewing different food service options to improve service to campus.
- Interviewing six of eleven applications for XC head coach with decision forthcoming in October.

Discussion Items

Trustees discussed and reviewed the draft Conflict of Interest Policy produced by Attorney Matt Derby.

Trustees discussed the Senate Bill 1055. There is another hearing scheduled for September 22, 2020.

Trustees reviewed the listing of gifts given to the Foundation, two gifts totaling \$1,625.

Action Items

Beth Cripe moved, seconded by Becky Moore, to approve the Strategic Value to the Community Resolution (attachment 5A). Motion passed unanimously.

Bill White moved, seconded by Keith McKenzie, to accept with gratitude the gifts shown in attachment 5B, five gifts totaling \$4,220. Motion passed unanimously.

Review of Follow-up Requests

Request that the administration revise the draft Conflict of Interest policy restricting it to apply just to the Board of Trustees, plus other items discussed to be brought forward to the next meeting.

Adjournment

Becky Moore moved to adjourn at 8:06 p.m. Tracy Hertsel seconded. Passed unanimously.



Bill White, Secretary



Thomas F. Jerdon, Chairman