



# Southwestern Michigan College Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 11, 2022

Room 2112, David C. Briegel

8 a.m. Regular Meeting

## General Business

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Members of the Southwestern Michigan College Board of Trustees met on May 11, 2022 for a regularly scheduled meeting.

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

Members Present: Tom Jerdon, Bill White, Becky Moore, Beth Cripe, Dr. Elaine Foster, Tracy Hertsel

Members Absent: Keith McKenzie

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the April 13, 2022 regular convened meeting required no changes and were placed on file.

Becky Moore moved, seconded by Tracy Hertsel, to amend agenda item 4A to a discussion with Brandi Johnson, MCCA President, agenda item 4B to Gifts to the Foundation and agenda item 4C to Other Discussion Items Resulting from the Agenda Approval Above. Motion passed unanimously.

## Public Input

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One individual requested and was given the opportunity for public input: Mr. Scott McGraw

## Other

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The Treasurer's Report for the month ending April 30, 2022 was received and placed on file.

Vice President Susan Coulston presented the Quarterly Financial Report for the quarter ending March 31, 2022.

Dr. Odenwald's President's Report: Excellence at SMC Volume 8.

John Eberhart, Director of Buildings and Grounds, presented information to the Board regarding past, present and future, planned and unplanned, capital outlay projects performed on SMC facilities and infrastructure.

Dr. Odenwald provided the following information to the Board:

- Student enrollment is up 39% compared to this point last year in contact hours for fall 2022.
- A total of 76 students registered at orientation on May 5. The next orientation is scheduled for May 13.
- 3 local high school proms have/will take place at SMC this spring.
- The SMC Esports team is scheduled to attend Nationals.

## Discussion Items

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Brandy Johnson, President, Michigan Community College Association (MCCA), presented information regarding MCCA and congressional status updates to the Board.

Trustees reviewed the list of gifts given to the Foundation, with twelve individual donations for a grand total in the amount of \$12,725.

## Action Items

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Dr. Elaine Foster moved, seconded by Bill White, to adopt the recommendation to hold the Public Budget Hearing at the next Regular meeting scheduled for June 8, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. and to proceed with the noted items on the Notice of Budget Hearing attachment at 5A. Motion passed unanimously.

Beth Cripe moved, seconded by Becky Moore, that Financial Aid for Student Scholarships be designated as approved projects for the SMC Foundation for the 2022-2023 fiscal year as shown in attachment 5B which totals \$720,000 (\$650,000 from the General Scholarship and \$70,000 from the Edward Guse Scholarships). Motion passed unanimously.

Bill White moved, seconded by Becky Moore, to accept with gratitude the gifts shown in attachment 5C, with the three individual donations in the amount of \$7,292.10. Motion passed unanimously.

## Review of Follow-up Requests

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No follow-up requests were made of the administration.

## Adjournment

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Dr. Elaine Foster moved to adjourn at 10:01 a.m. Bill White seconded. Motion passed unanimously.



Beth Cripe, Secretary



Thomas F. Jerdon, Chairman