

Official Proceedings
Alpena Community College Board of Trustees
March 18, 2010

The Alpena Community College Board of Trustees met for its regular March meeting on Thursday, March 18, 2010, in the Roger C. Bauer Board Room, Room 400 of the Charles R. Donnelly Natural Resources Center, on the College campus.

Chairman Briggs called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present: John Briggs, Joseph Gentry II, Lisa Hilberg, Florence Stibitz, and Thomas Townsend.

Absent: Marc Ferguson and Dr. Judith Grenkowitz

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Briggs led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

Introduction of Guests and Public Comment

Guests signing the register are as follows: Jacy Tweedie, ACC student; Crystal Nelson, *The Alpena News*; Jane Speer, ACC faculty; Mark Curtis, ACC administration; Roy Smith, ACC faculty; Paul Prevost, ACC student; Kevin Sylvester, ACC faculty; Tom Winter, ACC faculty; Barb Sziesniak, ACC Foundation; Penny Boldrey, ACC Foundation; Mary Jane Thomson, ACC faculty; Deb Hautau, ACC faculty; Dick Sutherland, ACC administration; and Jay Walterreit, ACC.

ACC student Jacy Tweedie addressed the Board regarding a designated place for smokers to smoke on campus. The Board referred the question to President Joynton and asked Jacy to schedule an appointment with the President for further discussion.

There was no other public comment.

Communication(s)

There was no communications.

Board Member and Subcommittee Reports

There were no Board member or Subcommittee reports.

Faculty Report

Auto body instructor Tom Winter distributed the faculty report and told the Board of new painting technology recently introduced into the program. He also updated the Board on the success of his students working in shops throughout northern Michigan.

Student Report

There was no student report.

President's Report

The President's report follows as it was presented.

1. Great Teaching Seminar

English Instructor Jane Speer currently holds the Dr. Russell H. and Fromilda Y. Wilson Endowed Teaching Chair, endowed by benefactors Janet and Lucas Pfeifferberger. Jane used the chair resources for a Great Teaching Seminar for adjunct and full-time faculty that was held February 18-20 at the Thunder Bay Resort in Hillman. Jane was present to summarize the activities for the Board.

2. Bid a Bit O'Green

With the start of the ACC Foundation's campaign to cultivate 25 new endowed scholarships, Foundation Secretary Barb Szczesniak took the initiative to organize a silent auction, called "Bid a Bit O'Green," for employees, students, and community members to fund one of the scholarships. The bidding on 51 donated items ran March 9-11 in the Besser Tech Commons, attracting 76 bidders and raising \$3,594 toward the \$10,000 needed to endow a scholarship. The event will be repeated until the goal is reached. Barb was present to elaborate on the project and receive the Board's recognition and thanks for her initiative.

3. Paul Prevost, Iraqi War Veteran, ACC Student

Paul Prevost left Alpena High School in 1985 without a diploma to join the Army. After serving his tour of duty he was honorably discharged and joined the National Guard. After 10 years out of school he decided to earn his high school diploma and went back to high school at Kent City High School. After graduating from high school, he held several delivery/dispatcher jobs until the 9/11 attacks. Soon after, he went back into the service he was deployed to Iraq for 15 months. His daughter was born during his deployment, and when he came home he found himself a single dad. He shares custody with his daughter's mother and cares for his daughter four out of seven days in his home. He has been a full-time student at ACC for three semesters in the pre-nursing program and will apply for the nursing program later this semester.

Paul was present to receive the Board's thanks for his military service and to represent how people from varied backgrounds discover the value of an ACC education.

4. Science Olympiad

On Saturday, March 13, the main ACC campus was again filled with hundreds of students, parents, teachers, and friends for the Science Olympiad, a national competition featuring events in science, technology, and mathematics that push participants to their highest levels of skill and accomplishment. Debra Hautau, member of the ACC biology faculty, has for another year led the fulfillment of hosting responsibilities with dedication and great attention to detail. She was assisted by many other members of the ACC science faculty and staff. Deb provided an account of Saturday's activities for the Trustees. A special thanks to members of the ACC maintenance and custodial staff for the extra attention to our facilities.

5. Activities Classification Structure Data Report

The Michigan Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth has released its annual Activities Classification Structure Data Book covering public community college operations for the 2008-09 academic year. Parts of the report divide the state's 28 community colleges according to size, and ACC is one of 10 colleges in Group 1, the category for smaller colleges. Here are some interesting data points comparing ACC with sister institutions.

Topic	ACC	Group 1	All				
Change in taxable value of district property	2.7%	3.5%	-0.7%				
Expenditures per full-year equated student	\$10,010	\$8,412	\$8,198				
Unduplicated student headcount	2,620	3,047 (average)	462,585 (total)				
In-district tuition per contact/credit hour	\$84	\$76.60 (average)	\$76.70 (average)				
Operating revenue from tuition & fees	42%	38% (average)	37% (average)				
Operating revenue from property tax	18%	30% (average)	39% (average)				
Operating revenue from state aid	36%	27% (average)	20% (average)				
Operating expense on instruction	48%	42% (average)	43% (average)				
Operating expense on technology	7%	6% (average)	6% (average)				
Operating expense on Instructional support*	9%	11% (average)	13% (average)				
Operating expense on student services	9%	12% (average)	12% (average)				
Operating expense on administration	15%	15% (average)	12% (average)				
Operating expense on physical plant	12%	13% (average)	13% (average)				
Physical plant cost per square foot	\$3.17	\$4.17 (average)	\$6.12 (average)				
Energy cost per cubic foot	\$0.08	\$0.14 (average)	\$0.13 (average)				

*Some instructional support is also covered in the restricted fund via TRIO grants.

As with the IPEDS information reported given to the Board last November, we again have ACC performance data indexed to relevant benchmarks. They demonstrate ACC to be running in a lean manner and focused on mission-critical priorities. The extra margin of expense devoted to instruction and the much lower energy costs are particularly noteworthy.

Action Items

2.480 FY 11 Tuition and Fees

Moved by Member Townsend that the Board of Trustees sets the ACC tuition rates per contact hour effective with the Fall 2010 Semester as follows:

In-District	\$92.00
In-State	\$138.00
Out-of-State	\$184.00

Ayes: Briggs, Gentry, Hilberg, Stibitz, and Townsend.

Nays: None

Motion carried. All ayes.

Information Items

3.659 Financial Report

President Joynton reviewed the financial report with the Board.

3.660 Personnel Report

The personnel report showed no additions/replacements, resignations, retirements, or other.

3.661 Gifts and Grants Report

The gifts and grants report showed the attached activity.

New Business

None

Suggested Future Agenda Items

None

Next Regular Meeting

April 12, 2010, Board Retreat, 8:00 a.m., CRTC

April 15, 2010, Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Board Room

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth L. Spragg
Secretary of the Board of Trustees