

ALPENA COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

May 19, 2011

The Alpena Community College Board of Trustees met for its regular meeting on Thursday, May 19, 2011, in the Roger C. Bauer Board Room, 665 Johnson Street, on the College campus.

Chairman Briggs called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Member Townsend moved to adjourn to closed session to discuss the president's performance review.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried. All eyes.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened by Chairman Briggs at 6:45 p.m.

Present: Briggs, Duncan, Ferguson, Hilberg, Stibitz, and Townsend.

Absent: Gentry

Chairman Briggs announced the Board would again meet in closed session on June 16, 2011, to continue the performance review of the president.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Briggs led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Member Townsend moved the agenda be accepted as presented.

Ayes: Briggs, Duncan, Ferguson, Hilberg, Stibitz, and Townsend.

Approval of April 20, 2011, Official Proceedings

The official proceedings for the April 20, 2011, meeting were accepted as presented.

Intro of Guests and Public Comment

The following guests signed the register: Nancy Seguin, ACC; Mark Curtis, ACC; Dick Sutherland, ACC; Michael R. Meyer, ACC; Gregg Schefferly, Concerned Citizen; Kathy Schefferly, Concerned Citizen; Teresa Meyer, Alum; Jaime Adams, WATZ; Tom Murphy, WBKB; Sandy Eastway, Former ACC Instructor; Laurie Wade, Fine Arts Instructor; Audrey Julian, ACC; Roy Smith, ACC; Cindy Besaw, ACC; Joan Misiak, ACC; Connie Kaczorowski, ACC; Richard Sanderson, ACC; Curt Davis; Katherine Meharg, ACC; Kathryn Momrik; Sue Willyard, ACC; Meghan Cameron, ACC; Marion Dunckel; Elbridge Dunckel, Emeriti; Bob Foranier, Concerned Citizen; Jim Miesen; Tom Gougeon, ACC; Kevin Sylvester, ACC; Sarah Burt, ACC; Amber Vesotski, ACC; Dennis Vesotski, ACC Alum; Jackie Witter, ACC Grad and Staff Member; Jane Speer, ACC faculty; Don Speer, Interested Citizen; Steve Lewis, ACC; Monica Bushey, ACC; Monica Bushey, ACC; Jay ____; Lindsey Miller, ACC Student Leadership Commission; Mary Jane Thomson, ACC Faculty; Sven Pearsall; Kevin Szott, Past Grad Concrete Tech; Jessica Ferris; Bob Szott, Parent of Concrete Tech Student; Stephanie Walterreit; Beverly Kannotski; Melissa LaCross; Mary Linton; Tim Kuehnlein; and Erica Fifelski. Secretary Spragg noticed John Bellows, ACC Faculty; and Deb Klemens, ACC ESP member; in attendance as well.

The following guests addressed the Board on the topics of the concrete tech program and/or the proposed reduction in ACC counselors: Roy Smith, Tim Kuehnlein, Greg Shefferly, Mark Meddaugh, Phil Jordan, Joan Misiak, Mike Olsen, and Curt Davis.

Communication(s)

None

Faculty Report

The faculty report was delivered by Matt Dunckel.

Student Report

Student Learning Commission member Lindsey Miller presented the student report.

President's Report

1. Commencement

The 58th ACC commencement exercises held in the Park Arena on May 5, 2011, marked program completion for an estimated 432 students (pending final verification by Registrar Lori Dzieszinski). We thus have occasion to celebrate the second largest graduation class in college history, as the following record indicates:

Year	Summer	Fall	Spring	Total
2010-11	44	63	325 (candidates)	432
2009-10	47	88	311	446
2008-09	25	78	282	385
2007-08	86	62	268	416
2006-07	67	49	219	335
2005-06	57	55	233	345
2004-05	62	67	214	343
2003-04	55	63	248	366
2002-03	47	69	242	358
2001-02	44	53	212	309
2000-01	47	48	180	275

170 high-achieving Class of 2011 members received invitations to be recognized at the Honors Breakfast held at the APlex for the first time, where Eric Hansen and Margaret Schmidt received the Front Runner awards from Janet Pfeiffenberger. During the commencement program Besser Chairman Jim Park bestowed the Anna and Jesse Besser awards on Jessica High and Michael Lamb. *Alpena News* publishers Bill and Diane Speer were honored as Fellows of the College, and Lansing Chief of Police Teresa Szymanski delivered the commencement address after receiving the Distinguished Graduate award from ACC Foundation Executive Director Penny Boldrey.

Congratulations to the hard-working students who persisted to meet their goals and to the many employees and community supporters who stayed with them every step of the way.

2. Preliminary Summer Enrollment Report

Yesterday's overall tally for ACC's 2011 summer sessions show an increase 4.48% in headcount (466) and 7.15% in contact hours (2,772) compared with the same point last year.

While Huron Shores enrollment is down significantly (35.29% headcount and 20.00% credit hours), online course registration has surged (79.72% headcount and 113.43% credit hours). With six weeks of registration for summer classes yet to go, we have only \$21,879 of tuition/fee revenue to go to reach the budgeted figure of \$356,400. In other words, we're at 94% of the target.

3. Young Women, Strong Leaders

On April 29 about 100 visitors from all over Michigan came to the ACC main campus for the Young Women, Strong Leaders conference, a joint project with

- The Michigan American Council on Education (ACE) Network for Women Leaders in Higher Education.
- The Michigan Women's Commission.
- The Michigan State University Women's Resource Center.
- The Michigan Department of Education.

The program included greetings from Mayor Carol Shafto (also a session leader later in the day), from Governor Snyder conveyed by Michigan Women's Commission Executive Director Susy Avery, and from State Representative Peter Pettalia. After a keynote address by Lisa Dietlin, president and CEO of Lisa M. Dietlin & Associates, participants enjoyed a day of leadership skill building, career conversations, and networking. Some of the community presenters I noticed were Amy Essex, Trina Gray, Cari Stenz, Casey Lechel, Suni Speaks, Gayle Bruski, Jackie Krawczak, Grace Marshall, Major Mary Thompson, Marie Williams, Cathy Green, Barbara Willyard, Joyce McCoy, and Karen Bennett. ACC Instructors Mary Linton and Meghan Cameron led sessions, as did Associate Vice President Nancy Seguin. Bay de Noc Community College President Laura Coleman brought four of her students and also served as a session leader.

The ACC student delegation of 24 students included two dual enrollees. Their fees were paid by the ACC Foundation. Hats off to Penny Boldrey, Barb Szczesniak, and Wendy Brooks for performing most of the organization and implementation, and contributions of staff from all quarters helped to make the day a great success.

4. Governor Snyder's Education Address

On April 27 Governor Snyder delivered a special address on education with focus on the goal of preparing residents to compete globally in a knowledge-base economy. Although he commended the upgrade in high school graduation requirements, he stated that we must do better than the Michigan results from the spring 2010 ACT test, showing only 16% of students being college-ready in core subjects and 238 high schools with no students being college-ready in all subjects. Improvement calls for an integrated P-20 system, where P = prenatal.

The higher education portion of his address went under the heading "Degrees Matter," which signifies the importance of post-secondary credentials of value for participation in economic life. To implement access, he endorsed the options of early college, dual enrollment, direct credit, online instruction, "testing out" assessment options, and reverse transfer. He called on universities to accept blocks of credit from community colleges to ease transfer and avoid duplication of course requirements.

Governor Snyder concluded with a tribute to great teachers and great teaching, challenging Michigan to attract the best and brightest into the profession. He noted that teachers themselves are asking for help to improve their performance, and he rejected the tradition of pay increases granted automatically for extra degrees. While endorsing tenure reform for dealing with ineffective teachers, he also recognized the need for nurturing teachers and rewarding them for excellence. His final quotation was from H. G. Wells: "Civilization is a race between education and catastrophe."

In response to the governor's address, the Michigan Community College Association has published a set of talking point, which is attached.

5. Michigan Education Dashboard

Along with the other 27 community colleges, ACC has supplied data to Snyder administration officials for the newly created Michigan Education Dashboard (<http://www.michigan.gov/midashboard/0,1607,7-256-58084---,00.html>). While it's a work in progress, it does provide a clear indication of performance standards relevant to achievement of the goals laid out in the governor's education address. Dean Don MacMaster, MIS Co-Director Vicky Kropp, and members of the MIS staff helped to produce the following ACC data elements, which are shown beside aggregated results for all Michigan community colleges.

Measure	ACC	All CCs	Notes
Tuition and fees as a percent of family income	9%	4%	Results from relatively high tuition in a county with relatively low family income.
CC students requiring developmental work	57%	61%	Confirms lower than average ACC rate from Auditor General's report three years ago.
CC retention rate	88%	74%	
CC completion/transfer rate	N/A	47%	Unclear how to get accurate data on transfer rate. ACC completion rate of 36% (up 2% from previous year) in 150% of standard time remains first in the state.

Action Items

2.500 Lighting Project Purchase

Moved by Member Stibitz that the Alpena Community College Board of Trustees authorizes appropriate College officials to contract with Kendall Electric to purchase lighting fixtures as described above for a price not to exceed \$40,038.53.

Ayes: Briggs, Duncan, Ferguson, Hilberg, Stibitz, and Townsend.

Nays: None

Motion carried. All ayes.

2.501 Emeritus Resolutions

Moved by Member Townsend that the Board of Trustees adopts Resolutions of Appreciation for Max Lindsay and Richard Sanderson, extends its sincerest best wishes to them for much continued success in all their future activities, and confers emeritus status and all appropriate honors and benefits upon them on their retirement.

Ayes: Briggs, Duncan, Ferguson, Hilberg, Stibitz, and Townsend.

Nays: None

Motion carried. All ayes.

Information Items

3.698 Financial Report

President Joynton reviewed the financial report with the Board.

3.699 Personnel Report

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

3.700 Gifts and Grants Report

The gifts and grants report showed the attached activity.

New Business

None

Suggested Future Items

None

Next Regular Meeting:

August 18, 2011

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Elizabeth L. Spragg

Secretary of the Board of Trustees