

MINUTES OF THE FIVE HUNDRED FORTY-SECOND
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Board of Trustees Room Z-203
La-Z-Boy Center
7:00 p.m., March 24, 2014

Members present: William J. Bacarella Jr., Joseph N. Bellino Jr., William H. Braunlich, James DeVries, Marjorie A. Kreps, Linda S. Lauer, and Mary Kay Thayer

Members absent: None

Also present: Kojo Quartey, Randell Daniels, Suzanne Wetzel, Grace Yackee, Molly McCutchan, Deborah Beagle, Joe Verkennes, Vinnie Maltese, Jack Burns, Jamie DeLeeuw, Peter Coomar, Barbara McNamee, Valerie Culler, Paul Hedeem, Paul Knollman, Barry Kinsey, Kelly Scheer, Tracy Vogt, Brian Lay, Cheryl Johnston, Jim Ross, Dan Shaw, John Holladay, Rick Hubbert, Dan Hamman, Denice Lewis, Mark Hall, Jean Ford, Jack Schwab, Mariah Tevepaugh - Agora staff reporter, and Connie Zarb (recording secretary)

1. Chair Bacarella called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. *It was moved by Mrs. Thayer and seconded by Mr. Braunlich that the minutes of the regular meeting of February 24, 2014 and the special meeting of February 27, 2014 be approved as presented.*

The motion carried.

- B. 3. a. (1) 3. *It was moved by Dr. DeVries and seconded by Mr. Braunlich that the following resolution of commendation for Dr. John M. "Doc" Holladay be adopted:*

WHEREAS, John Holladay has decided to retire from his position as Professor of English and Philosophy at Monroe County Community College, and

WHEREAS, from the commencement of his service to MCCC in 1968, he has been a consummate professional who is highly regarded by colleagues near and far, and

WHEREAS, he served as a role model and mentor for thousands of students, and

WHEREAS, he was the driving force behind innovative student support programs such as the Writing Center and Writing Fellows program, and

WHEREAS, he was the pioneer of instructional technology at MCCC having delivered the first online class and integrated online technology into other classes, and

WHEREAS, he is considered an extraordinary professor by his colleagues and students as indicated by twice receiving the "Outstanding Faculty Award," with numerous additional nominations, and selected for the 2013 Commencement Honorary Grand Marshal, and

WHEREAS, he achieved an advanced level of academic attainment through studies at the University of Michigan, and

WHEREAS, he has risen above and beyond the call of duty by engaging in extra-curricular activities such as editing accreditation documents, chairing the Academic Review Committee, and editing Images, and

WHEREAS, after 46 years of dedicated service to Monroe County Community College and the community Dr. John Holladay has enriched the lives of thousands of students and hundreds of MCCC employees and community members.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees recognizes Dr. Holladay for his extraordinary service and contributions to the College, its students, the community, and

THAT IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that by the president's recommendation, Dr. John M. Holladay, shall hereby be granted faculty emeritus status, and

THAT IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees expresses it's very best wishes for his continued well-being, success, and happiness on this Monday, March 24, 2014.

The motion carried.

- B. 3. a. (2) 4. *It was moved by Mrs. Thayer and seconded by Dr. DeVries that the following resolution to set the College millage levy for the 2013-14 fiscal year be adopted subject to Headlee rollback provisions:*

Operating 2.1794 mills

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the clerks of the cities and townships of Monroe County be given written notice of this action. Each clerk shall be requested to forward such notice to the appropriate assessing officers of the cities and townships.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that taxes to be raised against property within any city, any portion of which lies within the community college district boundaries, may be levied and collected in the same manner and at the same time as the city taxes.

The motion carried.

- B. 3. a. (3) 5. *It was moved by Mrs. Kreps and seconded by Dr. DeVries that the Monroe County Community College Board of Trustees hereby authorizes Mary Kay Thayer to serve in a voluntary role as Michigan's Coordinator to the Association of Community College Trustees.*

The motion carried.

- B. 3. a. (4) 6. *It was moved by Ms. Lauer and seconded by Mrs. Thayer that Paul W. Smith be selected as the recipient of the 2014 Alumnus of the Year Award.*

The motion carried.

- C. 2. a. (1) 7. The board received a note of appreciation from Josh and Cameron Albring for the floral arrangement in honor of the birth of their son.

- C. 3. a. (1) 8. President Quartey reported on the following staff retirement and staff non-renewal.

Retirement:

John M. Holladay, Professor of English and Philosophy

Contract Non-Renewal:

Jason Karamol, Instructor of Welding

- C. 3. a. (2) 9. The Board received the Statement of General Fund Revenues and Expenditures for the period ending February 28, 2014. Deborah Beagle, Director of Financial Services, reported that through the end of February, \$11.3 million has been collected in property tax revenue which is ahead of last year. Principal on the \$3,000,000 tax anticipation note has been paid. Interest is being calculated and will be paid shortly.

- C. 3. a. (3) 10. The Board received the Federal Awards Audit 2012 – 2013. Deborah Beagle presented a PowerPoint presentation on the A-133 Compliance Audit noting that total Federal Expenditures for this period were \$11,692,019. The federal awards analyzed included: U. S. Department of Education – Student Financial Aid Cluster, Trio Cluster, and Title III Strengthening Institutions Program; FIPSIE II Alternative Energy Earmark; Vocational Education (passed through the Michigan Department of Education); and the U. S. Department of Labor – CBJT Welding Grant. The auditors did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that they considered to be material weaknesses and, in their opinion, MCCC has complied in all material respects with the types of compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2013.

- C. 3. b. (1) 11. President Quarthey reported that he presented a State of the College address on March 6. He attended the MCCA Annual Board of Directors Spring meeting along with Mrs. Thayer on March 14. The Senate Hearing on Community Colleges was held on campus March 7; Dr. Quarthey testified at this hearing. A new column in the Monroe Evening News is being penned by Dr. Quarthey. A review of RFPs is underway to choose a firm to evaluate the feasibility of a millage campaign. A new current affairs series will commence Thursday, March 27 with the first presenter being Dr. Paul Hedeem on the Crisis in the Ukraine. Dr. Quarthey traveled to Whitmer High School in Toledo as part of his initiative to have a weekly presence in area high schools.
12. Trustee Thayer commented that she would like to convene a south county advisory board comprised of county commissioners, MCCC Board members, and community members to enlighten and reassure south county residents on the College's commitment to the Whitman Center. Mrs. Kreps and Ms. Lauer have agreed to serve on this committee.
- C. 3. b. (2) 13. Deborah Beagle updated the Board on GASB 68 Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions. Currently pension expense is recorded as the pensions are funded. New guidelines are in place for participating employers to record their proportionate share of the net pension liability and pension expense for the plan effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2014. The estimated 2012 net pension liability for MCCC is \$33,612,000.
- C. 3. b. (3) 14. Cheryl Johnston, Assistant Professor of English and Reading, presented an update on One Book, One Community which is in its eighth year. The kick-off event was held March 19. The Meet the Author event will be held March 26. Agora students will be facilitating a panel discussion on Immigration Reform: A Family Issue on April 1.
- C. 4. b. (1) 15. Chair Bacarella noted the upcoming events. Barry Kinsey, Director of Workforce Development, commented that a Career and Opportunity Expo will be held April 11 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in the Gerald Welch Health Education Building.
16. *It was moved by Mr. Braunlich and seconded by Mr. Bellino that the meeting be adjourned.*

The motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Bacarella Jr.
Chair

Linda Lauer
Secretary

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These minutes were approved at the April 28, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting.