MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Board of Trustees Room, Z-203
La-Z-Boy Center
6:00 p.m., June 1, 2015

Members present: William J. Bacarella Jr., Joseph N. Bellino Jr., William H. Braunlich (via Zoom), James E. DeVries, Lynette M. Dowler, Marjorie A. Kreps, Mary Kay Thayer

Also present: Alex Alusheff (Monroe Evening News), Randy Daniels, Jean Ford, Brian Lay, Barbara McNamee, Josh Myers, Jim Ross, Joe Verkennes, Sue Wetzel, Grace Yackee, Penny Dorsey (secretary)

1. Chair Bellino called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was for select update presentations from the President and Vice Presidents including discussion on the 2015-2016 budget and to vote on the recommendation of the Whitman Center Advisory Committee.

2. Dr. Quartey explained that Cabinet met earlier in the day to discuss the budget. Suzanne Wetzel, Vice President of Administration, gave an overview of the budget process. Revenues are basically done. Administration is working with the State’s Conference Committee’s recommendations. The College is in its third year of tightening the budget. Mrs. Wetzel and Deborah Beagle, Director of Financial Services, began by looking at salaries and fringes because they make up more than 80 percent of the budget. Afterwards, the vice presidents and area administrators submitted budgets for their cost centers and Cabinet is working on completing the proposed 2015-16 budget.

Revenues come from four main sources which includes tuition and fees, property taxes, state appropriations and other. Tuition and fees were brought to the Board earlier in the year and the Board approved an increase in tuition based on a 6 percent decline in enrollment. Mrs. Wetzel presented a side-by-side comparison of revenues of the 2014/15 fiscal year (projected and actual) with the projected revenues for the 2015/16 year.

Property tax revenues are projected at $12.4 million, which is a 2.9 percent increase over last year. State Appropriations are projected to be $4.6 million. Other revenue includes rent, fines, fees and charges, interest and indirect cost recovery, sponsorships, alumni dues and events, and Student Government events, to name a few.

Cost savings strategies, such as combining positions and Energy Savings Performance contracting, have been implemented to help create a balanced budget which will be presented to the Board at their June 22, 2015 meeting.

3. It was moved by Dr. DeVries and seconded by Mrs. Dowler that Monroe County Community College, in partnership with the community-at-large, commit to keeping the Whitman Center open to provide the opportunity for future growth.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Yeas [5]  Mrs. Kreps, Mrs. Thayer, Mrs. Dowler, Dr. DeVries, Mr. Bellino
Nays [2]  Mr. Braunlich, Mr. Bacarella

The motion carried.

3. It was moved by Mr. Bacarella and supported by Dr. DeVries that the meeting be adjourned.

The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph N. Bellino Jr.
Chair
James E. DeVries
Secretary

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