

Board of Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Benton Harbor Campus
February 25, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Johnson called the Regular Meeting of the Lake Michigan College Board of Trustees to order at 5:00 p.m. Ms. Johnson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Paul Bergan, Jeff Curry, John Grover, Debra Johnson, Dr. Michael Lindley, Joan Smith, Mary Jo Tomasini,
Absent:

SETTING OF THE AGENDA

The agenda stands as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the December 10, 2019 Regular Board Meeting were approved as presented with a motion by Mr. Bergan, supported by Ms. Smith.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas:	Paul Bergan, Jeff Curry, John Grover, Debra Johnson, Michael Lindley, Joan Smith, Mary Jo Tomasini
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Academic Affairs

Dr. Leslie Kellogg introduced Ms. Rita Whise, Director of Early Middle College Partnerships who gave a presentation on the College's Early Middle College program. Ms. Whise introduced guests Melissa Springsteen, 5th Year Early/Middle College Consultant Berrien RESA and student Janelle Gehrke, senior at St. Joseph High School who will be graduating in May with a high school diploma and an Associate of Arts.

Administrative Services

Ms. Anne Erdman announced that on-site catering is now available at the College's Benton Harbor campus through the Hawks Nest Café and Avenue C vendor, Canteen.

She also reported on the College's Wellness Center opening with over 100 students and employees coming in the first hour. To support employee health and wellbeing, the College offered a new wellness option allowing 1.5 hours of release time, per week, for staff to participate in wellness activities on campus.

Ms. Erdman also reported on the \$30,000 grant received from the State to increase safety measures in and around the Todd Center. The College will be adding several cameras and an emergency call station.

OLD BUSINESS

POLICY REVISIONS

As part of ongoing efforts to review college policies in support of continuous quality improvement efforts, the following policy revision has been presented to the Board of Trustees for review and/or approval.

Second Read

1. Admission
2. Guided Educational Pathway Planning (GEPP) Course Requirement

ACTION:

College Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the following policy revisions as presented.

MOTION by Mr. Bergan with support by Dr. Lindley to approve the policy revisions as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: Paul Bergan, Jeff Curry, John Grover, Debra Johnson, Michael Lindley, Joan Smith, Mary Jo Tomasini

Nays: None

Absent: None

APPROVED

NEW BUSINESS

Estimated Sources of Revenue - Fiscal Year 2021

BACKGROUND

Act 331 of the Public Acts of 1966, as amended, Section 141 states:

“The Board of Trustees shall prepare annually on a day to be determined by the Board of such district but not after the third Monday of April each year, an estimate of the amount of taxes or appropriation deemed necessary for the ensuing fiscal year for the purpose of expenditures authorized by law as within the powers of the Board.”

Accordingly, it is necessary that the Lake Michigan College Board of Trustees take formal action to estimate the amount of taxes necessary for the ensuing fiscal year to cover estimated expenditures.

Estimated general fund expenditures for fiscal year 2021 are likely to generally approximate those of fiscal year 2020, which were budgeted to be \$37,700,000. Currently estimated property tax revenue for fiscal year 2020 is \$22,000,000, a significant portion of which will be used for capital improvements.

ACTION

To ensure adequate funding for the ensuing fiscal year, we recommend that the Board of Trustees levy the full voted millage rates of 2.3002, as might be modified by the provisions of Section 31 of the Constitution of the State of Michigan (e.g., the Headlee Amendment.)

It is hereby resolved by the Board of Trustees of Lake Michigan College that the College will levy the full voted millage rates of 2.3002, as might be modified by the provisions of Section 31 of the Constitution of the State of Michigan.

I do hereby certify the official resolution of the Board of Trustees of Lake Michigan College to levy for all purposes the amount recorded in the approved minutes of said district.

MOTION by Mr. Bergan with support by Mr. Curry to levy the full voted millage rates of 2.3002, as might be modified by the provisions of Section 31 of the Constitution of the State of Michigan (e.g., the Headlee Amendment.)

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: Paul Bergan, John Grover, Debra Johnson,
Michael Lindley, Joan Smith, Mary Jo
Tomasini, Jeff Curry

Nays: None

Absent:

APPROVED

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Ms. Tomasini with support by Mr. Bergan to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Lake Michigan College Board of Trustees at 5:26 p.m.



Debra Johnson, Board Chair
Lake Michigan College Board of Trustees



Joan Smith, Board Secretary
Lake Michigan College Board of Trustees