

Board of Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Napier Campus
April 26, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Tomasini called the Regular Meeting of the Lake Michigan College Board of Trustees to order at 6:03 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Dr. Maysick, Ms. Truesdell, Ms. Tomasini, Dr. Lindley, Mr. Bergan

Absent: Ms. Johnson, Mr. Small

SETTING OF THE AGENDA

The agenda stands as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 22, 2016 Regular Board Meeting were accepted as presented with a motion by Ms. Truesdell, supported by Dr. Lindley.

The minutes of the April 8, 2016 Special Board Meeting were accepted as presented with a motion by Mr. Bergan, supported by Dr. Maysick.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

None

FINANCE REPORT

Ms. Hahn provided the Financial Services report as of March 31, 2016.

COLLEGE UPDATE

Chair Tomasini reminded everyone that commencement is this coming Sunday May 1. There are 484 applications with 482 degrees and certificates to be awarded.

The Board recognized the women's basketball team and Coach Jason Cooper, and presented each player and coach with a congratulatory gift from the College.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Academic Services Career and Workforce Education

Ms. Kellogg stated she is looking forward to the graduation ceremony this Sunday May 1. She complimented the great student speakers we have this year.

Ms. Kellogg also reported on accreditation successes. Nursing has been reaccredited until spring 2021, and Medical Assisting received its initial accreditation.

Academic Services Arts and Sciences

Mr. Spradlin introduced the presenters for Math 123 – Quantitative Reasoning. Mr. Peter Brown, Mr. Chris Bendixen gave a presentation on Math 123, and students, Sidnee Tyree, Kaitlyn Mettler, and Nicolas Santana shared their positive experience in the class.

Ms. Tomasini presented the students with gifts from the College.

Regional and Community Engagement

Ms. Craig reported on the five high school students who will be receiving their Associate Degree at commencement next week.

Comments:

Ms. Truesdell noted that Barbara introduced Dr. Robert Harrison with the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Niles Chamber of Commerce. She commented on how nice the evening was.

Students and Enrollment Management

Mr. Schaffer updated the Board on the projected Early Middle College enrollment. Initially it was around 40 and has now grown to 60 along with six Van Buren Middle College students.

NEW BUSINESS

Date for the Budget Hearing

In order to meet the requirements of Act 2 of the Public Acts of 1986, as amended, "Truth-In-Taxation," a public hearing to receive testimony and discuss the operating budget for the 2016-17 fiscal year is necessary. The hearing is to be immediately followed by the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.

ACTION

It was recommended that the public hearing on the proposed 2016-17 Lake Michigan College operating budget be set for 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 28, 2016, at the Lake Michigan College Mendel Center on Napier Avenue, Benton Harbor.

MOTION by Mr. Bergan, with support by Ms. Truesdell to set the 2016-17 Lake Michigan College operating budget hearing for 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 28, 2016, at the Lake Michigan College Mendel Center on Napier Avenue, Benton Harbor.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yeas: Dr. Maysick, Ms. Truesdell, Ms. Tomasini, Mr. Bergan, Dr. Lindley

Neas: None

Absent: Ms. Johnson, Mr. Small

APPROVED

New Certificate in Geospatial Information Science and Technology (GIST)

Identified by the US Department of Labor as one of the top three growth sectors in the workplace, Geospatial Information Science and Technology provides multi-disciplinary tools used to collect, manage, analyze and present information that is spatial (and often temporal) in nature. Geospatial technology was also featured at the recent Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) conference, where hundreds of careers that utilize GIS skills were showcased. Applications range from business and marketing analysis, demographic studies, emergency management, urban planning, crimes analysis, homeland security, and natural resource management. Because of its interdisciplinary nature, this certificate program is valuable to students in several disciplines including Business, Computer Information Systems, Criminal Justice, Logistics, and Natural Resource Management.

Currently, very few colleges and universities offer instruction in GIS programming and scripting, one of the highest-demand GIS skills. The proposed certificate will prepare our students for employment in a variety of industries, as well as prepare them for matriculation to institutions that offer further opportunity for training and research.

New Associate of Applied Science and Certificate in Pharmacy Technician:

Lake Michigan College has been offering a short-term training Pharmacy Technician program since the 2012 fall semester. As of December 2014, the State of Michigan requires all Pharmacy Technicians to be licensed. Offering credit-bearing Pharmacy Technician associates degree and certificate program options aligned with the accreditation standards of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) will enhance the level of education for students before they sit for the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) exam and better serve the employment needs of the healthcare industry.

ACTION:

The Academic Administration recommended that the Lake Michigan College Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to proceed in offering the following degree and certificates.

Geospatial Information Science and Technology Certificate
Pharmacy Technician Associate in Applied Science
Pharmacy Technician Certificate

MOTION by, Dr. Lindley with support by Mr. Bergan to authorize the Administration to proceed in offering the following degree and certificates.

Geospatial Information Science and Technology Certificate
Pharmacy Technician Associate in Applied Science
Pharmacy Technician Certificate

Comments:

Mr. Bergan stated how great it is to see these programs being offered at the College and becoming a credit addition pathway to students in Health Science.

Yeas: Dr. Maysick, Ms. Truesdell, Ms. Tomasini, Mr. Bergan, Dr. Lindley

Neas: None

Absent: Ms. Johnson, Mr. Small

APPROVED

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Bergan with support from Dr. Maysick to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Lake Michigan College Board of Trustees at 6:37 p.m.



Mary Jo Tomasini, Board Chair



Judy Truesdell, Board Treasurer