

**Approved Minutes of the
Alpena Community College Board of Trustees Special Meeting**

September 25, 2020

Granum Theatre, Newport Center Room 107
665 Johnson Street, Alpena, MI 49707

On Friday, September 25, 2020, the Alpena Community College Board of Trustees held a special meeting in Room 106 of the Newport Center on the Alpena Campus. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Chairman Briggs.

Present: John Briggs, Joseph Gentry II, Lisa Hilberg (arrived at 12:04 p.m.), Susan Stender, Florence Stibitz, and Tom Townsend. Absent: Teresa Duncan. Also present: President Don MacMaster and Board Secretary Jay Walterreit.

Trustee Townsend led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Trustee Townsend that the agenda be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Stibitz. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion approved.

Introduction of Guests and Public Comment

Guests attending the meeting included: Steven Fosgard, ACC administration; Richard Sutherland, ACC administration; Jeff Blumenthal, ACC administration; Mark Grunder, ACC administration; Lauren Mantlo, ACC staff; Noel Curtis, ACC administration; Tim Kuehnlein, ACC faculty; Dr. Amber Vesotski, ACC faculty; and Todd Artley, ACC faculty.

Action Items

2.784 Bids for Student and Employee Laptops

The following resolution was proposed by Trustee Hilberg and seconded by Trustee Stibitz:

The Alpena Community College Board of Trustees approves the purchase of 40 Microsoft Surface Laptop 3s, 200 Microsoft Surface Pro 7s, and 200 Microsoft Surface Pro Type Covers from CDW-G at a cost not to exceed \$259,457.60. The funding for this purchase will come from the CARES Act.

Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion approved.

Board Discussion

President MacMaster briefed the trustees on two current matters.

Sen. Mike Shirkey reintroduced the topic of allowing Michigan community colleges to offer bachelor of science in nursing (BSN) programs. A bill related to that topic was voted out of committee this week and will be voted on by the full senate next week.

Sen. Jim Stamas, the senator for ACC's area, opposes the BSN bill and has introduced legislation that would prevent community colleges offering the BSN program from collecting millage revenue. His bill, Senate Bill No. 1142, is currently on the floor of the senate.

President MacMaster will travel to Lansing next week to talk with legislators.

The second matter MacMaster spoke about was a mental health survey administered by Amanda Sumerix and Lisa Blumenthal. As a result of that survey, Sumerix is proposing to use SIP Grant funds to pay for a contract with a mental health professional to provide services to students for five hours a week. MacMaster let the trustees know he intends to authorize that contract unless they prefer he didn't.

Next Regular Meeting

The next regular Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Thursday, October 15 2020. The meeting will be rescheduled to be held in Newport Center Room 106 on the Alpena Campus so the College can continue to use VCS technology in the Board meetings.

Adjournment

The special meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:37 p.m.

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