

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Kalamazoo Valley Community College was held on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at the Kalamazoo Valley Texas Township Campus, 6767 West O Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan, in the Paul D. Jackson Board Room.

Chairperson Stinson convened the meeting at 7:30 a.m. and led everyone in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Stinson, Trustees Buck, DeLuca, Gustas, Patton, Purnell and Thomas-Cloud
L. Marshall Washington, President
Tracy Labadie, Recording Secretary

Other Attendees: Dannie Alexander, VP for Campus Planning and Operations
Nkenge Bergan, Associate VP for Student Development
Erin Bishop, Administrative Manager – President’s Office
Paige Eagan, Provost/VP for Instruction & Student Services
Marc Rifenberg, Public Safety
Aaron Hilliard, VP for Human Resources
Brian Lueth, VP for Finance and Business
Scott Myers, Humanities Faculty
Alisha Siebers, Associate VP for Advancement/Exec. Director of KVCC Foundation
Aaron Snead, VP for Information Technology

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Patton, **SECONDED** by Trustee Buck, and **CARRIED** that the agenda be approved as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Buck presented the Consent Agenda Items. It was **MOVED** by Trustee Buck, **SECONDED** by Trustee Gustas and **CARRIED** that the Consent Agenda Items for September 2024, including the Secretary’s Report, the Treasurer’s Report, the Personnel Report, the Course and Curriculum Report and the Graduates Report be approved.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No one was present who desired to address the Board.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Kalamazoo Valley Museum Advisory Board Report

Chairperson Stinson presented a summary of the July 2024 Kalamazoo Valley Museum Advisory Committee Meeting.

KVCC Foundation Board Meeting Report

Trustee Patton presented a summary of the August 2024 Kalamazoo Valley Foundation Board Meeting.

President’s Report

Chairperson Stinson called on President Washington to present the President’s Report for the month of September. President Washington presented Strategic Plan updates, a Capital Outlay Technical Trades Project update, reviewed highlights from the President’s Report and distributed the Board Calendar.

CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING NEGOTIATIONS

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Stinson, and **SECONDED** by Trustee Patton, and **CARRIED** that the Board recess the open meeting and go into a closed session to consider a personnel evaluation in accordance with MCL 15.268, Section 8 (1)(a) that allow a public body to meet in closed session “to consider a periodic personnel evaluation of, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, if the named individual requests a closed hearing.”

The motion CARRIED by the following ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

The Board recessed the closed meeting at 8:44 a.m.

At 9:03 a.m., the Board reconvened the open meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

President’s Contract

It was **MOVED** by Trustee DeLuca, **SECONDED** by Trustee Gustas, and **CARRIED** that the Board of Trustees approve a five-year employment contract for President Washington effective July 1, 2024. The motion CARRIED by the following ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

Renewal of Membership to MCCA and Appointment of Trustee Directors

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Buck, **SECONDED** by Trustee Patton, and **CARRIED** that membership in the Michigan Community College Association for FY 2024-2025 is renewed and that the invoice in the amount of \$42,500 is paid.

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Buck, **SECONDED** by Trustee Patton, and **CARRIED** that Trustee DeLuca be appointed KVCC's Trustee Director to the MCCA Board of Directors for 2024-2025, that Trustee Gustas be appointed Alternate Director and that President Washington be appointed President Director.

Resolution for Emeritus Status – Laurence Taylor

It was **MOVED** by Trustee DeLuca, **SECONDED** by Trustee Gustas, and **CARRIED** that upon the recommendation of the President, Emeritus Status be granted to Laurence Taylor effective upon his retirement from Kalamazoo Valley Community College on August 31, 2024.

OTHER ITEMS

Trustee Buck submitted her resignation from the Board of Trustees effective immediately.

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Patton, **SECONDED** by Trustee Gustas and **CARRIED** to accept Trustee Buck's resignation effective September 10, 2024.

The Board agreed by consensus that the Board Audit and Governance Committee will review applications and make recommendations for an appointee to the full Board.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND EVALUATION OF MEETING AND MATERIALS

No additional items were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Stinson declared the meeting adjourned at 9:17 a.m.

September 10, 2024

Regular Meeting Minutes



Lucinda M. Stinson, Chairperson



Kathy Purnell, Secretary



Tracy Labadie, Recording Secretary