### LANSING COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES September 17, 2012

## **Regular Meeting**

**Adopted Meeting Minutes** 

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m.

### **Roll Call**

Present: Canja, Proctor, Rasmusson, Smith, Woods, Meyer

Absent: Hollister

Trustee Hollister arrived at 6:29 p.m. Trustee Hollister left at 7:28 p.m.

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

Trustee Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Approval of Minutes**

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Canja and supported by Trustee Smith that the minutes of the June 18, 2012 Regular Board of Trustees meeting be adopted.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Canja, Proctor, Rasmusson, Smith, Woods, Meyer

Nays: None Absent: Hollister

The motion carried.

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Canja and supported by Trustee Smith that the minutes of the July 30, 2012 Special Board of Trustees meeting be adopted.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Canja, Proctor, Rasmusson, Smith, Woods, Meyer

Nays: None Absent: Hollister

The motion carried.

## **Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

## **Limited Public Comment Regarding Agenda Items**

George Hanley: Very briefly Mr. Chair and Board of Trustees. Many of you will remember me several years ago when I worked on the CATA millage successfully. I come to you again because the EATRAN funding that services Eaton County will be discontinued at end December 31, 2012 if the operating millage does not pass this November. This will directly affect the LCC students from Eaton County. I urge the Board and everyone from Eaton County to please vote yes on this. Please use your influence to get the word out as much as possible. I have brochures which I will distribute and I will be back at the October meeting to reaffirm this. I appreciate your time. Thank you very much.

<u>Todd Krajniak</u>: I have a few concerns I'd like to address with Mr. Proctor. I'd like to talk with you afterwards because these go to the Audit Committee. Did the 3D Theater come before the Board and for how much? What were the actual costs presented to build that? Where did the money come? Did it come from other programs? If it did, did Mr. Proctor circumvent the Board's approval for funding that program? Second there is a fire truck. This all boils down to his ability to lead through this next project, because you have several open items that lead to questions about his decision making, spending money and the Board's oversight. If you are going to put \$60 million into this man's hand and you got outstanding questions the Board hasn't addressed about a movie theater and how it was funded; about an expensive exhaust system on a fire truck that allegedly raises to the level for Board approval, because it's a custom stainless steel piece and it would cost about \$100,000 as rumored; you have to look into this.

Trustee Proctor: Mr. Chair I didn't hear the first part.

<u>Todd Krajniak</u>: I have items that I would like to address with you separately. I want to get them in because you are about to move forward with at \$60 million project. You guys have a lot of exposure personally because you are allowing this man to go on and make decisions without actually finding out is they were proven and if they followed proper protocol.

<u>Chair Meyer</u>: Do have any evidence for the items you are talking about?

Todd Krajniak: For example, did the 3D Theater come to the Board for a vote? No

Trustee Canja: Yes

<u>Todd Krajniak</u>: How much did it cost for the 3D Theater? Did that need to come to the

Board first?

<u>Trustee Meyer</u>: Yes it came before the Board.

<u>Todd Krajniak</u>: Did the Herrmann House come before the Board for a complete teardown and restoration of \$150,000 for a replication instead of a rehab? Was that submitted? Was there a proposal by a consulting firm whether it could be torn down and replicated for \$150,000?

<u>Chair Meyer</u>: You cannot tear down a historic structure, but you can make proper changes that follow the state law.

<u>Chris Chisolm</u>: I'd like to talk about the decommissioning of the Gannon Pool. I would urge that you'd not decommission the Gannon Pool. It would have a negative impact not only on the student body but on the community. I use the pool quite regularly and in fact is one of the main reasons I chose to come to this school. If the pool is closed I would seriously think about taking my \$3,000 a semester elsewhere. The pool is very much worth keeping open and I would urge you to do so. Thank you.

Hanna Krajniak: I'm Hanna Krajniak and I am a swimmer with the WaveRunners swim team, which practices at the LCC pool. I've heard rumors that no one uses the pool. That's not true. I have been swimming since I was a 3rd grader. I am now a 7th grader. It has benefited me. I went in there completely scared to swim, but I have come out with these ribbons. I have earned every single one of them. There are a few ribbons that say participation, but that is because they ran out of ribbons. I've earned every single one of these because of that pool. That pool has allowed my coach to train me. He's helped me to grow and build my confidence all because of the pool that stayed open.

<u>Kelly Ann</u>: My name is Kelly Ann and I've been swimming at WaveRunners for 7 years. I've heard that you are also going to close the pool. I wanted to tell you that when I go into that pool, I don't see a pool full of chlorine and water. What I see are memories of diving in and feeling the cool water rushing over my face and hearing my coach telling me "you can do it no matter what you feel." I've had all of these experiences and hope to have more. Children younger than me hope to have the experiences but they won't be able to if you close the pool, so I am asking you to reconsider closing it so that I and other people younger than me can have these experiences too. Thank you.

<u>Lamia Harris</u>: Hi I'm Lamia Harris and I'm also a part of WaveRunners Swim Club. I've been swimming there since 3rd grade. I also heard that you were going to close the pool and I don't think you should because other people swim there. It helps me grow and Coach Bill is very nice. Thank you.

<u>Gabby Kindig</u>: Hello, my name is Gabby Kindig and I'm also with the WaveRunners Swim Club. I addressed you about keeping the pool open a few meetings ago. I think that it is really important to keep the pool open. I know that at LCC it's important to build a friendly community so that you can set people up for achievement. I think that the LCC pool is really important for that because it is a big community. I've made a ton of friends there and I feel completely comfortable there. The sense of achievement is amazing. When I started there I was pretty slow and I've worked really hard. There is nothing like the sense of achievement you get after working really hard, going and doing your best and then getting a ribbon. At times I thought that being part of WaveRunners was costly and one of the hardest things I have done in my life, but that just made it all the more worth it once I continued. I got 4th place and that is pretty good and feels pretty good once you look at where you are now and where you were. I've come a very long way and I could not have done it without the Waverunners and Coach Bill. Everything about it has been amazing. I think you should keep it open. I know you have some things to consider, but it is really important to the community and I feel strongly about that. Please reconsider and keep the pool open. Thank you.

<u>Ingrid Peterson</u>: I'm Ingrid Peterson and I'm also a swimmer. I started swimming since I was six months old at LCC every Saturday morning. I attended the LCC swimming class for about seven years. I began to swim competitively and have been swimming ever since. Because I am a strong swimmer, I have been motivated to do triathlons. I participated in the Hawk Island Triathlon for four years and earned first place in the past three years. I will also swim on the Jr. High swim team this winter. Swimming is a part of my life. It keeps me healthy and defines me as a person. Swimming is very important to me and others in this community. It is handy, local, and easy for most folks. Please find another place for the unhealthy food. Please keep the pool open. Thank you.

<u>Diane Peterson</u>: President Knight and Board of Trustees my name is Diane Peterson and I'm the Mom that made the commitment to get the kids to the pool on Saturday mornings. Please do not close the pool. As my daughter just stated, the LCC pool is a very important part to a healthy community. In addition to my daughter, my son has also been swimming in the pool since he was six months old. More recently he has taken a course at the LCC pool to obtain his lifeguard certification. He recently turned 16 and has been a substitute lifeguard. Just today he had another interview to be in a lifeguard position. Most 16 year olds can't get a job because they don't have a skill. My son can thanks to LCC's pool. In addition, the LCC pool has helped me to achieve my goals. When I have children who show me up, completing their first triathlon, that motivates me. However, one third of that triathlon is swimming. I had to learn how to swim so I turned to LCC and took a swim class. I obtained the skills needed to be a success and this summer I completed my second triathlon. Please keep the pool open. Thank you.

<u>Chair Meyer</u>: Was your reference to a Red Cross certification?

Diane Peterson: Correct.

<u>Joelle Bennett</u>: Good evening my name is Joelle Bennett and I'm a Child Development major here at LCC. You offer a lot of exercise classes, but as a person with a visual impairment a lot of them would be impossible for me to take. I take the water exercise classes that are offered here. If you close the pool down I would have no options to take exercise classes. I would not be able to take weight training or aerobic classes easily. I have managed to lose weight taking the water exercise classes. I feel if you close down the pool you are going to lose a lot of opportunities for people to have healthy lifestyles if they are not able to take other exercise classes. Thank you.

Jane Ringenberg: I want to thank you for your decision of keeping the pool open from the last meeting and I want to thank you in advanced for keeping the pool open. My spousal unit and I are retired and on a fixed income and, like 95 percent of the Lansing residents, it's less than what we need a year for a middleclass status and lifestyle. Having the pool to use at a reasonable price is essential to our ability to exercise all year around. Swimming is something everyone can do if they have access to a pool. Ninety people used the open lap swim last week. I counted them. I was there every two hours and I counted them all. With the Alfreda Schmidt Southside Community Center down until sometime next year, the LCC pool is the only location that the community has to swim in Lansing. I see you included a list with all of these schools, but I don't think they have open swim for people. I've never heard of it. More of us would like to swim, but we don't have brand new high school pools like surrounding communities. We can't all get out to Holt, Haslett, Grand Ledge or Okemos. The students who came from these pools expect a pool to be available. I came up with a lovely chant; "Class schools have pools." The pool is an asset we can't afford to lose. I thank you in advance for keeping it open.

Bill Copeland: I'm Bill Copeland. I have been coaching in Lansing for 40 years. Swimming in Lansing is really important to me. The pools have been closing in this city. At this point we have one pool that is really a pool. It's a wonderful pool. No, it's not one of the new sparkling pools that you have out in Haslett, Dewitt or Mason, but it is a very well kept pool. Its right here and there is no reason to close the only pool that the City of Lansing has right now that is really up to par for using in a competitive sense and even for teaching. We at WaveRunners have been thinking for guite awhile about how we can reach more of the city. I have three proposals that I would like to put forward. One is partnering with the school district to have elementary kids learn to swim, where LCC would provide the pool and we would provide the instruction. We would run four week sessions for a couple hours on Tuesdays and Thursday after school where the kids could learn how to swim. We've already established the need to get people to learn how to swim with Michigan having 11,000 lakes and all of the rivers and pools, it's important. It was mention earlier about the Jr. High program; well she doesn't have to go to a Lansing school. I would like to partner with the Lansing School District again and run their middle school program for them. Again, LCC provides the pool and we would provide the instruction and they would be able to participate with the rest of the Greater Lansing Area that does have middle school swimming in December and January. We have talked also with the Boys and Girls Club and at the St. Vincent Home and they are both interested in coming in on Saturdays from 12:00 –

2:00 p.m. where we have an open slot. Again, LCC providing the pool and we provide the instruction; more kids learning how to swim and more outreach to our community to utilize our wonderful facility. It doesn't make sense to me to close down the best pool that we got.

<u>Trustee Canja</u>: Why couldn't those programs be done at the Southside pool assuming it's open?

<u>Bill Copeland</u>: That's a big problem. It's not open, but even if it were it's not taken care of as well as this pool and this location is a good central location. I know a lot of people that are more willing to come to this location than they are to go to the Southside location.

<u>Chair Meyer</u>: Is there a reason for that? That facility does have parking.

<u>Bill Copeland:</u> It does have ample parking, but I know that a lot more people are comfortable here than they are there.

<u>Chair Meyer</u>: Why, is there a crime issue? I don't know because I haven't served on the council for awhile.

Bill Copeland: Yes.

Emily Galassini: Hello my name is Emily Galassini and I use to be a student here at LCC. I've talked to everybody here before about the pool last year when all of this was going on. Since then I've transferred to MSU and the only reason I made any connection with LCC, is the pool. One of main reasons you want to close the pool and move ahead with the common area is the belief that students who form meaningful relationships with other students and with other faculty are more likely to complete their academic programs. I went to LCC for about 1½ years before I discovered the pool. I didn't meet anyone in the food court. I didn't build any relationships with faculty or future colleagues. None of that occurred in the food court. Since I found the pool I not only found a community that I am comfortable with, but a community that I can turn too not only for swimming, but just advice on pretty much anything. I think you already have what is going to give students a feeling of community and meaningful relationships that is going to drive them to finish their academic programs here; and it's the pool. Second, as far as rumors go, I'm kind of interested that came out today because it does seem like it's really hard to get a straight view on what other pools offer, what this pool might be able to offer, what's wrong with the pool, and how much money does it need. You have a group of people that obviously want the best for the college trying to work with the department and outside sources and there doesn't seem to be a great deal of coordination happening where you all have the same story going on. I looked for a pool before I came to LCC when I moved here and you can't. I had to swim at Fitness USA and it's a tiny pool at 98 degrees. There is no real pool like this in Lansing. I can promise you from my own personal searches. I think that is a big problem. The rumors from both side looks like you guys maybe don't believe

everything that you are being told about not be to find a suitable replacement pool. We don't feel like we can completely know what you guys are thinking because we are not seeing a report and we don't know what sort of research you are doing that is backing up their decisions. That is really mostly what I would like to see more than anything from you guys; clear communication. I do believe a better system needs to be in place for you guys to do the research in order to make a good decision here. You need to have good research to make an informative decision. Well I think you should at a lease look a little more into what you guys are doing; like maybe calling the high schools and middle schools up. I know at a lot of middle schools you are not allowed to go in there if you are an adult and you don't have a child that you are dropping off for class. You are not allowed to be in the building. That is how it is now. So a lot of those pools are not available for us to swim. I really hope you don't destroy the pool because it is really one of the better things that this school has going on for it.

Eli Gaugush: Hello my name is Eli Gaugush and I was a student at LCC for five years. I received two Associates Degrees from here and transferred to MSU. I'm employed at LCC as a lifeguard and a homeowner in the Lansing district. Believe me when I say I'm coming from pretty much every area you are suppose to be representing. I can say that a cafeteria is not going to serve our best interests. When I came here I had a really hard time balancing work, school and just being alive. What help me with that was swimming. I starting swimming with Delphinus and coaching with WaveRunners. Through that I learned how to balance working 20 hours a week. I can tell you without a doubt if I had not swam here at LCC and at Delphinus there would be no way I'd be holding a 3.8 GPA at MSU right now. There would be no way I'd be able to balance owning a home, working a job, trying to take class and commuting. These skills are what I learned here. That community you keep talking about that you think the food court will give is what I got. About half of the people in the room I either coached, swam with or they coached me. That's my support network and that's what I got from LCC. I never met anyone else at LCC except through the pool. I don't think building a new building to bring everyone together will change any of that. It's not. This pool has already got everything that you're looking for. Please don't change that. Thank you.

<u>Dave Kindig</u>: Good evening my name Dave Kindig. Twenty-four years ago I got a step up here at LCC. I got an Associate Degree in Computer Programming. I am now working for Hewlett Packard as a programmer. Without the education I received here, that wouldn't be happening. While I was here one of the things that attracted me wasn't the availability of food. We've got all kinds of stuff downtown. It just doesn't seem necessary to me. My daughter is one of the WaveRunners. These folks feel very passionate about this pool and what they do here. I think the skills they learn at this pool are skills that will carry them through the rest of their lives. A food court, not so much. Thank you.

<u>Catherine Filpatrick</u>: I heard you asking if some of the key things that people are bringing up, could happen at the Southside Community Center. Last year the Lansing High Schools swim teams swam at Hill, so I am very versed in driving back and forth to Hill. Even though it's only 7½ miles, the distance has a lot of traffic. It also feels like

you might be going to a suburb. Yes there is a lot of parking, but it looks like an abandoned school that has been put to use some way in a neighborhood. There is nothing wrong with it, but I want you to understand why it might not feel the same as being right here.

<u>Trustee Meyer</u>: Have you seen the entrance that has been put on? I thought it was quite attractive. I just wanted to make that point.

Catherine Filpatrick: Yeah, it doesn't look like a bad building, but I mean the location. When you get into the pool it's probably fine. It's a school, so you wander around trying to figure out where you are going. Well, so is LCC. Driving down there is a big difference than having kids swimming nearby. It doesn't look as much like Lansing as this campus does. I know the listing of difference places with pool access included a lot from Dewitt, East Lansing, Haslett, Okemos, Holt, and Grand Ledge. They are not going to be accessible to us in Lansing to come in and swim. One of the reasons that we want this pool to stay open is because we go to meet with all of these clubs that exist in these communities. I don't think it is quite accurate to look at that listing and think is serves the same purpose. The other thing is telling LCC students who want to work out they have access to take a bus 7½ miles to use a pool. I just don't know if it's going to make them feel it's accessible if they are taking their classes here. It wouldn't for me. It's not impossible, but I also know a lot of high school teams use it, so I don't know how much time they are going to have available for your programs.

<u>Becky</u>: Good evening my name is Becky and I'm a swimmer at WaveRunners. Before coming here I didn't know how to swim. I was scared of the water. This is really important to me and my friends and mainly the students here. You have to consider and think about the other people coming here. I know that I have met more friends here. Other schools, like my school, don't have a swimming pool. This is where we come to swim. Thank you.

Richard Mull: My name is Richard Mull and I'm here this time to talk as a faculty member and as an administrator of this college. President Gannon was enrolled in my class. We were working on some specific things in the pool and he got in and started swimming. We are doing a nice job here teaching people about their bodies; even President Gannon recognized that. Another thing that I want to tell is that today to a minority student who was afraid of the water actually swam over to the pool and you should have seen his face and smile. That's what we do. We help people in their lives. Sometimes even in saving lives. Thankfully I'm in the profession that I'm in where I get that opportunity. I think you have that opportunity and I appreciate the vote of confidence and I appreciate your willingness to listen to all of the concerns about the pool. It is a gut wrenching experience. It really is. I think the first time I spoke here I said that I was the first person in the pool and I don't want to be the last person out of the pool. I really hope that's true. I thank you for your kindness. Keep up the good work and remember what we are here for; community service and students. Trustee Canja requested that the pool be removed from the consent agenda for discussion.

Trustee Canja asked why Bill Copeland stated he is unable to get the same experience he gets at LCC at another pool.

Different members of the audience responded off the microphone.

Trustee Canja asked why there couldn't be an excellent program at the Southside Community Center. She further asked what it was about the pool here that is different and makes it important that this pool stay open and why couldn't a wonderful program be run at the Southside Community Center.

<u>Bill Copeland</u>: There are several answers to that. Our pool is taken care of better than any other pool in the area. Our pool operator, Jeff Montgomery is good. Our pool is always in really good shape and is always clean. The other issue again is the central location to the entire area. We have kids from Eaton Rapids, St. Johns, Dewitt, Haslett, Okemos, Holt, and Grand Ledge. We try to make our core the City of Lansing, but that has become increasingly hard through the years with schools of choice. Many of our top students choose to go elsewhere, but I still care about the City of Lansing kids. Again, this is the best central location and by far the best pool. The Hill pool, if it were taken care of, is a good pool, but the location is not a good. It would be a difficult location for certain people. The LCC pool is the best of the old school pools. It doesn't have the fancy score boards, but it is a very good six lane pool. It has plenty of deck space, it's clean, the locker rooms are perfectly adequate and it's extremely well maintained.

Andy Kilpatrick: If this pool closes there will not be another pool that is built in the area for probably 10 to 20 years. The Southside Community Center is a great option if you want to go 15 to 20 minutes out. If you are a community college, is it going to be for the community and is this something that the community is invested in? Is this something that the City, the Parks and Recreation and the YMCA would support? Is this something that has been investigated? I would hate for a decision to be made that does not serve the community that this college is located in. There has been talk that the pool was going to be a cinema and now a food court. Are these things essential for a community college? Make sure that all of the stakeholders know about it. As parents of students who are swimmers, we found out about it from those who run the pool. They told us that you were thinking of closing the pool. We didn't know that and I don't know if the community at large knows that. Does the YMCA know that downtown there is a facility that could be used if there was a partnership? All I'm trying to say is that there is a bigger picture and that in addition to being a community college resource it is also a community resource. Thank you.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

#### **Action Item - Decommissioning of the Pool**

Lisa Webb Sharpe stated that the Gannon Pool is at the end of its natural life cycle. She stated that significant improvements need to be made to the pool. She further stated that Chris Strugar-Fritsch and Dean Margie Clark have met extensively with the staff and faculty and PFW to understand what the needs are. Ms. Sharpe stated that the cost to renovate the pool is estimated to be at least \$3.5 million and to build a new pool that's 10,000 square feet would cost \$6.75 million plus the cost of property if it cannot be built on land the college already owns. She stated that the college recommends that the Gannon Pool be decommissioned and that the space be repurposed to serve a greater number and wider range of students, faculty, and staff as a commons area and food court. She further stated that current users of the Gannon Pool will be accommodated by moving the College's aquatics offerings (including recreational swimming, water rescue training, and swim clubs) to a Southside Community Center Pool.

Trustee Smith stated that when this issue came before them at the last meeting the Board asked for an alternative site if the pool were closed. She stated that the Southside Community Center has been selected to meet that challenged. She asked if the lease covers the maintenance of the pool and locker rooms. Trustee Smith stated she heard the issue of safety come up, but that she and her daughter have swam there and have both felt safe. She further stated she is not certain where the issue of safety is coming from.

Margie Clark stated that the lease would provide rental space for what LCC needs for the classes. She stated it allows LCC to deliver the courses that LCC taught in the pool for fall, spring and summer. She further stated the agreement covers the cost of the lifeguards they would hire and have on staff and that maintenance of the pool would be their responsibility. Margie Clark stated that the schedule agreement meets the times LCC has identified and open swim is available at no cost from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. like the current LCC schedule.

Trustee Canja stated the maintenance and upkeep would be a concern and issue for her. She stated she would want to see the lease agreement include a commitment that the pool would be maintained at levels at which LCC's programs have come to expect.

Margie Clark stated that maintenance of the facility is under the guidelines within the school district, city, and what the public health would require. She stated that the pool will be up and operational for the spring semester. She further stated that the locker rooms are larger than LCC's and are handicap accessible. Margie stated that the locker rooms have all of the handicap features that are necessary.

Trustee Smith asked if LCC's pool would remain open until the Southside Community Pool is available.

Margie Clark answered yes.

Trustee Woods commended that Administration for bringing back the information that the Board requested. He stated that he had concerns closing the pool and not having a plan in place to ensure that LCC's academic programs and others that use the pool would have access to a pool. He further stated that not only did the Administration come back with the requested information, but they made the opportunity for the constituency to utilize the pool and not just City of Lansing residents. Trustee Woods stated that he was happy that the College is going to be providing a "How to Swim for Beginners" opportunity. He stated that when he looks at what the College is here for and what LCC's responsibilities are as an institution of higher learning, our academic programs do have access to a pool where they can continue. He stated that if they are going to hold true to the institution of this college their most responsible thing to do would be to accept the Administrations recommendation as it relates to the pool.

Trustee Hollister stated that Bill Copeland was one of his swim team coaches and he agreed with Trustee Woods comments. He stated that as a Trustee he has to take the entire plan into consideration, not just the pool community, but the entire community as it relates to the college. He stated that he does not discount the public comments and has also experienced many of those kinds of communities in a swimming environment and hope that it will continue to happen as LCC partners with the Southside Community Center in providing those services.

Trustee Canja asked if it would be possible for LCC to require in the contractual arrangement that certain standards of cleanliness and upkeep be maintained so that LCC has some way of addressing it in case it comes up.

Lisa Webb Sharpe stated that LCC can put provisions in its lease. She stated that it is not unlike any other facility LCC leases as a college. She stated that they expect it to be well maintained and if issues did arise the college would try and address it with the landlord.

Trustee Canja asked if they could put something specific in the contract to make sure because the maintenance seems to be a concern.

Trustee Woods stated that to make sure the college is not singling them out, the contract should be consistent with other contract provisions.

Trustee Woods called the question.

Trustee Smith stated she feels comfortable that the same quality of experience received here at LCC can be achieved at the Southside Community Center. She stated she feels assured with what the Administration is saying. She further stated that this is a very

difficult decision, but it is not an issue of do we want a pool or a cafeteria, but how to best serve the most students the most efficiently with the dollars we have.

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Woods and supported by Trustee Rasmusson to decommission the Gannon Pool, given the fact that provisions have been made at the Southside Community Center to continue the academic and recreational opportunities.

Trustee Canja asked to amend the motion to include a caveat that guarantees LCC's standards of cleanliness and upkeep are met.

Trustee Woods stated for clarification that LCC's standards for other rental facilities would be the same standards for this facility.

Trustee Canja stated that the current level of cleanliness and maintenance are important to the quality of the programs and that she would like LCC's lease to have assurances that the facility LCC is leasing will maintain high standards of maintenance.

Trustee Woods stated that the Administration has clarified they have language in place for cleanliness and security that is similar to every other place that LCC rents. He stated that he didn't understand what was being added that is different from what is currently in place.

Trustee Canja stated that she doesn't know the current language and if its standards compare to a building that doesn't have a pool and that she would want language that is specific to a pool.

Chair Meyer asked if there was support for the amendment. With no support he called for the vote on the main motion.

#### Roll call vote:

Ayes: Hollister, Proctor, Rasmusson, Smith, Woods, Meyer

Nays Canja Absent: None

The motion carried.

## **President's Report**

#### **Informational**

Dr. Knight gave the following updates:

• <u>Year End Budget Showing Positive Trends</u>: Pre-audit data from the budget year that ended June 30 shows several positive trends including higher than

anticipated tuition revenue in part due to improvements in collections and fewer students dropping courses. The college also curtailed spending and was able to add \$1.2M to fund equity.

- <u>Enrollment Update</u>: Fall 2012 enrollment is currently at 18,733 students; Fall 2011 enrollment was 20,295. Declining enrollment continues to affect many community colleges. LCC remains third in enrollment for our state's 28 community colleges.
- New Programs Boost Student Success in Math: Last academic year, the Math and Computer Science Department offered a Combined Learning Program in which students took both developmental math courses in a lecture format in the same semester. The goal was to help students accelerate through developmental courses and more quickly prepare for a core math course. The success of this program has led the department to also offer a Combined Learning Program for MATH 107 and MATH 112 Intermediate Algebra this fall.
- Student Success in Math and Writing to be Highlighted at Summit: The
  Combined Learning Program and Math and Algebra Refresher boot camps will be
  discussed by LCC faculty at the 2012 Student Success Summit in East Lansing
  this month.

### Preparing Young Learners for College

- 1. Summer Bridge Program: Thirty incoming Early College students participated in intensive math and reading comprehension study to prepare for coursework this fall. They participated in twenty 2-hour sessions over four weeks. The Early College now has an enrollment of 83 students in college level classes and an additional 60 students beginning their Early College coursework.
- 2. During the summer, Early College students took 165 LCC credits and achieved an average GPA of 3.27 during the semester. The Early College second year students are currently enrolled in 246 LCC courses totaling 943 course credits.
- 3. The High School Diploma Completion Initiative (HSDCI) graduated nine students at the conclusion of summer semester. This fall, 20 HSDCI students have returned and 21 new students have joined the program.
- 4. Among new students registering for fall semester were 244 H.O.P.E. scholars. Of those, 72 were 2012 high school graduates. Some 135 H.O.P.E. scholars and family members are expected to attend the 2012 Leadership Academy.
- 5. Of the students who have applied for the Lansing Promise Scholarship, 30 have registered for fall semester at LCC.
- <u>Plus 50 Initiative</u>: LCC has been chosen to join a national program designed to train 10,000 baby boomers over the next three years for new jobs in healthcare, education and social services. LCC will be providing workshops and seminars

that enable the 50+ population to change careers or to create new career opportunities in the Lansing area.

- Helping Students Prepare for Insurance Industry Careers: The Business &
  Community Institute (BCI) is leading a collaboration of organizations to close the
  gap between educational coursework and industry employment demands. The
  BCI has been awarded \$50,000 from the Michigan Future Foundation to support
  a customized insurance program to help equip students with the skills they need
  to succeed in the industry.
- <u>Early LCC News</u>: The Early Learning Children's Community (Early LCC) has been awarded a 5 Star status in the State of Michigan's Tiered Quality Improvement Rating System, also called "Great Start to Quality."

### **Informational – June Year End Close (FY12) Financial Statements**

Don Wilske presented a PowerPoint presentation on the June Year End Closed (FY12) Financial Statements that is on file with the official Board meeting materials.

#### **Informational – Monthly Student Success**

Evan Montague and Christine Thompson gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Monthly Student Success Report that is file with the official Board meeting materials.

### **Informational – Proposed Lobbying Report**

The following proposed college policy was presented for information and will be presented for action at the October meeting:

POLICY TITLE: LOBBYING POLICY

#### I. Purpose

Lansing Community College is committed to the appropriate use of Federal funds received under The Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act.

#### II. Scope

This policy outlines the prohibited uses of federal funds for the purpose of lobbying in connection with securing a federal grant, loan, cooperative agreement or contract or an extension, renewal or modification of any of these. In addition, it specifies the proper form to submit when the college uses other than federal funds for the purposes stated above.

#### III. General

No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of Lansing Community College to any person for lobbying (i.e., influencing or attempting to influence) any member of the Legislative or Executive branches of Government (i.e., a Member of Congress, an employee of any Member of Congress, or any officer or employee of any agency or of Congress) in connection with securing a federal grant, loan, cooperative agreement or contract or an extension, renewal or modification of any of these. Prohibited lobbying includes charging travel expenses to a federal award or being paid from a federal award while attempting to influence the award of federal funds to a specific program.

If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of Lansing Community College to any person for lobbying any member of the Legislative or Executive branches of Government in connection with a federal grant, loan cooperative agreement or contract, the College shall complete and submit Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying" in accordance with applicable instructions.

For further information see Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) Section 82 – New Restrictions on Lobbying, Subpart A – General.

#### IV. Responsibility

The College's Associate Vice President of External Affairs and Development is responsible for the monitoring and implementation of this policy.

#### **Informational – Proposed Supplanting Policy**

The following proposed college policy was presented for information and will be presented for action at the October meeting:

POLICY TITLE: SUPPLANTING POLICY

#### II. Purpose

Lansing Community College is committed to the appropriate use of Federal funds received under The Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act.

#### III. Scope

This policy applies to all College expenditures related to The Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act.

#### IV. General

Federal funds received under The Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act, as amended, will only be used so as to supplement, and to the extent practicable, increase the amount of state and local funds that would be in the absence of such federal funds be made available for the use specified in the Act. In no case will LCC use Perkins funds to supplant such state or local funds.

#### V. Responsibility

The College's Chief Financial Officer is responsible for the monitoring and implementation of this policy.

### **Informational Item – Over 100K Board Report**

The Over 100K Board Report was presented in the Board meeting materials for information.

## **President Report**

#### **Action Items - Consent Agenda**

The following items were presented under the consent agenda:

- 1. Appointment of Interim Senior VP of Academic Affairs
- 2. Capital Project Budget for Video/Audio Infrastructure Upgrade
- 3. Ratification of Education Support Personnel (ESP) Contract
- 4. Ratification of Part-Time Clerical Technical Union (PTCTU) Contract
- 5.—Purchase of Real Property \*Removed from the Consent Agenda for after Closed Session.
- 6. Finance
  - a. Change Order Transmittal
    - 1) Willsie Cap and Co., Inc.
  - b. Invitation for Bids
    - 1) Gannon Building Evapco Unit Replacement Construction

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Rasmusson and supported by Trustee Woods that the President's consent agenda items, removing the Purchase of Real Property, be approved.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Canja, Proctor, Rasmusson, Smith, Woods, Meyer

Nays: None Absent: Hollister

The motion carried.

### **Closed Session**

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Woods and supported by Trustee Smith that the Board go into closed session for the purpose of discussing the purchase sale or lease of real property.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Canja, Proctor, Rasmusson, Smith, Woods, Meyer

Nays: None Absent: Hollister

The motion carried.

The Board entered into closed session at 8:18 p.m.

The Board returned to open session at 8:35 p.m.

Roll call:

Present: Canja, Proctor, Rasmusson, Smith, Woods, Meyer

Absent: Hollister

#### **Action Item – Purchase of Real Property**

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Woods and supported by Trustee Rasmusson that the Purchase of Real Property presented in the President's Consent agenda be approved.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Canja, Proctor, Rasmusson, Smith, Woods, Meyer

Nays: None Absent: Hollister

The motion carried.

## **Chairman, Committee and Board Member Reports**

### **Chairman's Report**

Chairman Meyer gave the following reports:

- He asked that the Conflict of Interest forms be turned in by the end of the meeting to the Administrative Assistant.
- He re-appointed Trustees Woods and Smith as the ACCT voting delegates.

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Proctor and supported by Trustee Rasmusson that the appointment of Trustee Woods and Trustee Smith as the ACCT voting delegates be approved.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Canja, Proctor, Rasmusson, Smith, Woods, Meyer

Nays: None Absent: Hollister

The motion carried.

#### **Committee Reports – Audit Committee**

Trustee Proctor gave the following Audit Committee Update:

• The Audit Committee recommended to the Board for approval, the Change Order for Willsie Cap and Co., Inc.

#### **Committee Reports – Foundation Board Update**

Trustee Smith gave the following Foundation Board Update:

- Scholarship Celebration Breakfast is Thursday, September 20, 2012, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the Lansing Center.
- The LCC Foundation Board of Directors has extended an invitation to the LCC Board of Trustees to attend a Board-to-Board dinner. In past years this event has been an opportunity for the two boards to meet in an informal atmosphere to socialize and discuss topics of common interest.
- The Foundation's Annual Holiday Gathering will be held on Wednesday, December 5, 2012, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., in the LCC Library Atrium.

### **Committee Reports – Workforce Development Board Update**

Trustee Proctor gave the following Workforce Development Board Update:

- Trustee Proctor served on a grant review committee where LCC was one of the contract applicants. He didn't review the grant request or vote on it. He reported that LCC received \$272,000 for the Learn to Earn Jet Program.
- At the Workforce Development meeting Davenport announced that they will be offering a Nursing Program and will also be partnering with Cooley Law School for a joint MBA Law Degree Program.
- Dr. Knight will be hosting the Legislative Breakfast on September 19. He will be speaking about the "High Cost of Higher Education".

# **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

# **Adjournment**

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Meyer and supported by Trustee Smith that the meeting adjourn.

Ayes: Canja, Proctor, Rasmusson, Smith, Woods, Meyer

Nays: None Absent: Hollister

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.