

LANSING COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
May 15, 2017

**Regular Meeting**  
Adopted Meeting Minutes

## Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m.

## Roll Call

Present: Abood, Buck, Hidalgo, Meyer, Proctor, Smith  
Absent: Mathews

Trustee Mathews was absent due to presenting LCC Scholarships at the DeWitt High School Awards Program.

## Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee Hidalgo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Approval of Minutes

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Smith and supported by Trustee Hidalgo that the minutes of the April 17, 2017 Regular Board of Trustees meeting be adopted.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Hidalgo, Abood, Smith, Buck, Meyer, Proctor  
Nays: None  
Absent: Mathews

The motion carried.

## Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

The following additions/deletions were made to the agenda:

- Trustee Proctor asked that an ACCT nomination for Dr. Knight as the CEO of the year be added to the agenda.

## Limited Public Comment Regarding Agenda Items

Gezelle Oliver: Gezelle Oliver, MEA Uniserv Director, addressed the Board requesting to speak in Closed Session regarding the HCTF labor members item on the agenda.

Mike Tuell: Mike Tuell addressed the Board regarding affordable healthcare. Mr. Tuell stated that he felt a tree on campus is value more than an employee. Mr. Tuell stated that he works 30 hours a week directing supporting student success. He further stated that the law requires that LCC provide affordable healthcare to its employees working at least 75% of a full workload. He stated that last week he received email stating that the share for a single part-time employee would be increased to over 45% costing \$335.92 per month. Mr. Tuell stated that the cost to insure his eight year old daughter is \$1,285, which is 92.98% of his take home pay. He stated that although LCC has no obligation to provide affordable healthcare for his daughter it has an obligation to provide affordable healthcare to him.

## **Action Items – Consent Agenda**

The following items were presented under the consent agenda:

- A. Change Order Transmittals
  - 1. Accident Fund Insurance Company
  - 2. Middle Cities Risk Management Trust
  - 3. Presido Infrastructure Solutions, LLC.
- B. Professional Development Lease Request
- C. Ratification of the LCC-AFT Collective Bargaining Agreement
- D. Resolution Approving & Authorizing Execution of Tax Sharing Agreement with the Delhi Charter Township Downtown Development Authority.
- ~~E. Strategic Plan 2017 – 2020~~ *REMOVED*

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Meyer and supported by Trustee Proctor that the Consent Agenda, removing the 2017-20 Strategic Plan, be approved.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Hidalgo, Proctor, Buck, Abood, Meyer, Smith

Nays: None

Absent: Mathews

The motion carried.

## **Action Item – Strategic Plan 2017 – 2020**

Trustee Abood stated that he would like to set this item aside for a retreat to get an update.

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Proctor and supported by Trustee Smith that the Board have a retreat to discuss the 2017 -20 Strategic Plan.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Meyer, Buck, Proctor, Smith, Abood, Hidalgo

Nays: None

Absent: Mathews

The motion carried.

## **Monthly Monitoring Report**

The following Monitoring Report was presented:

1. Monthly Financial Statements

## **Linkage Planning/Implementation**

### **President's Report**

President Knight presented the May 2017 President's report to the Board and gave brief highlights on, the Building Bridges Conference the college hosted, the opening reception for "Patriots & Peacemakers, and the Experience Starpower Awards Showcase. In addition he provided an update on the Granger Tower.

### **President's Report – Aviation & Robotics Presentation**

President Knight updated the Board on recruitment and branding efforts for the new Center for Manufacturing Excellence (CME) at west campus, which opens in the fall. Dr. Knight also announced the addition of a robotics and automation program, and the reorganization of precision machining, welding and computer aided design programs.

### **Chair's Report – Labor Members of the Healthcare Task Force Request**

On the behalf of the labor members of the HCTF, Ms. Gezelle Oliver requested to go into Closed Session to share some information with the Board.

There was no motion to enter Closed Session.

Gezelle Oliver addressed the Board about the increasing health care costs for employees. She acknowledged health care costs are a national problem, but asked if the Board would be willing to discuss how the college pays for health care. Ms. Oliver stated that the labor members of the HCTF are asking the Board to look at other options, other than the state legislated hard cap, to help the employees. She stated that there are some members on MESSA switching to the West Michigan Plan, but switching doesn't solve the problem. Ms. Oliver stated that the labor members are asking for the Board to look at more creative ways in trying to resolve some of these healthcare issues for employees. She further stated that the longer the college stays on the hard cap the worst it will get for its employees. Ms. Oliver asked if the Board would open discussion up so they can go to the table and give a proposal that includes no hard cap. She

stated that if they were to present a proposal with no hard cap to the administration she feels it would go nowhere.

Trustee Smith stated that because Ms. Oliver represents her constituents, she must put out the options that would be best and beneficial to her membership.

Chair Abood stated that although the administration may not recommend their proposal, any proposal submitted by them to the administration would be communicated back to the Board who would then consider the proposal appropriately.

Ms. Oliver stated that they are prepared to put a proposal together.

Trustee Abood asked the labor members of the Health Care Task Force to put together a proposal to present to the college administration. He stated that the administration will bring the issue before the Board.

### **Chair's Report – Letter of Support for Trustee Larry Meyer, ACCT Board of Directors**

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Proctor and supported by Trustee Smith that a letter of support for Trustee Larry Meyer's efforts to be elected to the ACCT Board of Directors be submitted.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Proctor, Hidalgo, Abood, Smith, Buck  
Nays: None  
Absent: Mathews

Trustee Meyers abstained from voting.

The motion carried.

### **Chair's Report – Nomination for ACCT's Chief Executive Officer Award**

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Proctor and supported by Trustee Smith that the nomination of Dr. Knight for the ACCT's Chief Executive Officer of the Year Award be submitted.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Buck, Hidalgo, Smith, Abood, Proctor, Meyer  
Nays: None  
Absent: Mathews

The motion carried.

## Committee Reports – Audit Committee Update

Trustee Meyer stated that the Audit Committee didn't have to meet this month, but will meet in June to review the Professional Service Plan for FY17 External Audit from Rehmann Robson. He also stated that they are reviewing bids for LCC's internal audit firm.

## Committee Reports – Foundation Board Update

Trustee Smith gave brief highlight of the foundation report included with the Board meeting materials. For the record Trustee Smith congratulated Bill Motz's for receiving the Giving Star Award for Philanthropic Employee of the Year and Ryan Verstraete for receiving the Rock Star Award for Employee of the Year.

## Unfinished Business

### Approval of Monitoring Report Schedule

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Proctor and supported by Trustee Meyer that the Board's monitoring report schedule be approved.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Buck, Hidalgo, Smith, Abood, Proctor, Meyer

Nays: None

Absent: Mathews

The motion carried.

## Public Comment

Jacob Menefee: Jacob Menefee provided the Board with an update in his role as Chair of the Registered Student Organization (RSO). He stated that the RSO's are doing well and are looking for ways to improved how they operate. He further stated that they will have regular meetings in the summer and would like to reach out to LCC's West Campus.

Eva Menefee: Eva Menefee informed the Board of her new role as President of LCC's MAHE. She stated she is looking forward to open communication and cooperation with the Board.

Mark Kelland: Mark Kelland, informed the Board of his new role as President of the Academic Senate. He stated that over the past year LCC has had the open stacks partnership. He further stated and that as a group, LCC led just over 50,000 new OER adoptions nationwide, which led to savings of \$ 4.9 mil. Mr. Kelland thanked the Board for their past support of OER and looks forward to their continued support.

## Closed Session

There was no Closed Session.

## Board Evaluation of Meeting

There were no Board comments.

## Adjournment

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Smith and supported by Trustee Abood that the meeting be adjourned.

Ayes: Abood, Buck, Hidalgo, Meyer, Proctor, Smith


Nays: None

Absent: Mathews

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Submitted,

  
Executive Assistant to the Board  
Benita Duncan