

Mid Michigan College Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

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The meeting took place in the Esther C. Conference Room, Harrison Campus and via Zoom Video Conference Technology.

Present: Betty M. Mussell (attending remotely), Vice Chair; Richard S. Allen Jr., Secretary; Thomas W. Metzger (attending remotely), Treasurer; Terry Petrongelli (attending remotely), Trustee; Carolyn C. Bay (attending remotely), Trustee; Eric T. Kreckman (attending remotely), Trustee, George Gilmore (attending remotely), Trustee

Absent: All Trustees were present.

Agenda Item I: *CALL TO ORDER*

Vice Chair Betty Mussell called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

Agenda Item II: *ELECTION OF OFFICERS*

In the absence of a Board Chair, President Hood facilitated nominations for Board Chair. President Hood opened up nominations for Board Chair. Motion by Trustee Mussell to nominate Trustee Petrongelli as Board Chair. Second by Trustee Metzger. A discussion took place among trustees regarding new leadership and if trustees are willing to accept new expectations. Trustee Petrongelli stated that she would accept the nomination of Board Chair.

Motion by Trustee Kreckman to close nominations for Board Chair. Second by Trustee Mussell.

All Ayes, Motion Carried. Trustee Petrongelli will become the new Board Chair.

Board Chair Petrongelli opened up nominations for Vice Chair. Motion by Trustee Bay to nominate Trustee Mussell as Vice Chair. Second by Trustee Petrongelli.

Trustee Mussell stated that she would accept the nomination of Vice Chair.

Motion by Trustee Kreckman to close nominations for Vice Chair. Second by Trustee Metzger. All Ayes; Motion Carried. Trustee Mussell will remain Vice Chair of the Board.

Board Chair Petrongelli opened up nominations for Secretary. Motion by Trustee Mussell to nominate Trustee Allen as Secretary. Second by Trustee Metzger.

Trustee Allen stated that he would accept the nomination of Secretary.

Motion by Trustee Kreckman to close nominations for Secretary. Second by Trustee Mussell. All Ayes; Motion Carried. Trustee Allen will remain Secretary of the Board.

Board Chair Petrongelli opened up nominations for Treasurer. Motion by Trustee Kreckman to nominate himself as Treasurer. Second by Trustee Allen.

Motion by Trustee Metzger to nominate himself as Treasurer. Second by Trustee Mussell.

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Motion by Trustee Petrongelli to close nominations for Treasurer. Second by Trustee Bay. A voice vote showed 4 votes in favor of Thomas Metzger, 3 votes in favor of Eric Kreckman. Motion approving Thomas Metzger to continue as Board Treasurer.

Agenda Item III: *APPROVAL OF AGENDA*

Motion by Trustee Mussell to approve the agenda. Second by Trustee Allen. All Ayes; Motion Carried.

Agenda Item IV: *PUBLIC COMMENT*

The Board Chair asked for public comment, no one wished to comment.

Agenda Item V: *APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS*

Motion by Trustee Allen to approve the consent items. Second by Trustee Bay. All Ayes; Motion Carried.

Agenda Item VI-A: *WINTER ENROLLMENT REPORT*

Vice President of Student Services Matt Miller presented the latest Winter Enrollment Report.

Agenda Item V-B: *ANNEXATION*

Vice President of Academic Affairs and Community Outreach Scott Mertes presented the Board with information regarding a potential annexation proposal on the May 4, 2021 ballot in 10 individual school districts that Mid currently works with. Those school districts are Alma Public Schools, Ashley Community Schools, Beal City Public Schools, Breckenridge Community Schools, Chippewa Hill School District, Fulton Schools, Ithaca Public Schools, Mt. Pleasant Schools, Shepherd Public Schools, St. Louis Public Schools. Ballot language would include the following:

EXHIBIT A

I. **Mid Michigan College Annexation Proposition**

Shall Mid Michigan College, Michigan, annex the territory of (insert school district name, counties served, state) that is not already included in a community college district?

II. **Mid Michigan College
Adoption of Mid Michigan College
Maximum Tax Rate in Annexed Territory**

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To provide funds for Mid Michigan College, Michigan, shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in the proposed annexed territory of (insert school district name, counties served, state) be increased in perpetuity by 1.2202 mills (\$1.2202 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation), representing the community college district charter millage; the estimate of the revenue the community college district will collect within the annexed territory of the school district if the millage is approved and levied in 2021 is approximately (insert property tax levy amount)?

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Trustee Mussell and supported by Trustee Gilmore:

WHEREAS:

1. This Board intends to submit one or more propositions at a special election to be held on Tuesday, May 4, 2021 related to the matter of a proposed annexation.
2. On or before 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 9, 2021, the Board shall certify any ballot proposition to be submitted to the voters at such election to the county clerk(s) of every county in which territory proposed to be annexed is located (the "Clerks").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. A special election of the electors of the territory proposed to be annexed be called and held on Tuesday, May 4, 2021.
2. The propositions to be voted on at the special election shall be stated on the ballots in substantially the form as set forth in Exhibit A.
3. The Clerks are requested to:
 - a. Utilize The Morning Sun, a newspaper published or of general circulation within the territory proposed to be annexed, for publication of notices in accordance with the election law requirements.
 - b. Utilize ballot proposition summary information, as prepared by legal counsel, in the forms of the notices of last day of registration and election in substantially the form as set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto.
 - c. Provide a proof copy of the ballots to the College and its legal counsel in sufficient time to allow the ballots to be proofread prior to printing.

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4. The Secretary of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to file a copy of this resolution with the Clerks or other clerks designated to conduct elections within the territory proposed to be annexed by 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 and as otherwise required by law.
5. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Ayes: Trustees Terry Petrongelli, Betty M. Mussell, Richard S. Allen Jr, Carolyn C. Bay, Eric T. Kreckman, George Gilmore

Nays: Trustees Thomas W. Metzger

Resolution declared adopted.

Agenda Item VII-A: *CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

President Hood presented the Board with information regarding new enrollment ideas and different ways to bring students to Mid.

Agenda Item VII-B: *SABBATICAL LEAVE REQUEST*

Vice President of Academic Affairs and Community Outreach Scott Mertes presented a sabbatical leave request for faculty member Lucia Elden.

Motion by Trustee Mussell to approve the sabbatical leave request for faculty member Lucia Elden as presented. Second by Trustee Petrongelli. All Ayes; Motion Carried.

Agenda Item VII-A: *CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

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Agenda Item VII-B: *OTHER BUSINESS*

Trustee Mussell spoke about a Trustee workshop. A survey will be sent to all Board members over the next week asking about availability regarding that workshop.

Trustee Allen spoke about an email from ACCT regarding Trusteeship in Community Colleges and he recommended that everyone read that before the workshop.

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Trustee Petrongelli wanted to thank the Strategic Communication team (Meghan Keen & Greg Gunther) and Noah Lueke for their hard work on the virtual holiday card.

Motion by Trustee Kreckman to adjourn the meeting. Second by Trustee Bay. All Ayes; Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM

Recording Secretary,
Amy Lince
Executive Assistant to the President and Board of Trustees

Terry Petrongelli, Board Chair

Richard S. Allen, Jr., Board Secretary