MUSKEGON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 15, 2026, 12:30 p.m.
Room 2109E – Main Campus 2nd floor

Present: Chair Osborn, Trustee Portenga, Trustee Moore, Trustee Frye, Trustee Crandall, Trustee Cook, Trustee Scott and President Selmon

I. Chair Osborn called the meeting to order at 12:31 p.m. Trustee Moore moved approval. Second. Vote unanimous; motion carried.

II. Public Agenda – Related Comments

III. Presentation(s)

IV. Trustee Portenga moved approval of the Consent Agenda. Second. Vote unanimous; motion carried.

A. Minutes
- Board Meeting Minutes for June 17, 2026
- Board Meeting Minutes for June 17, 2026, the Closed Session
- Board Retreat Minutes for June 29, 2026

B. Budget/Finance
1. Financial Reports

C. Required Approvals

D. Personnel Report

V. Administrative Reports

A. President's Report

President John Selmon reported that the MCC Advancement Office, in partnership with Greater Muskegon Economic Development (GMED), was awarded a Reconnect Enroll with Momentum Grant of $300,000 over two years. The grant is a collaborative effort between the Advancement Office and GMED.

President Selmon introduced Trevor Friedeberg President and CEO of GMED who shared that GMED is working to strengthen connections between community employers and MCC to support workforce development. He also noted that Dr. Selmon serves on the GMED Board.

President Selmon provided an overview of the FY2027 State Budget which the Governor is required to sign by Friday, July 17, 2026:

- The College did not receive funding through the ITEMS dollars. However, the operations dollars include a 1% increase or $100,000 for MCC.

- Michigan Reconnect has expanded to age 21.
- Michigan Achievement Scholarship Funding is continued.
- The budget also makes significant investments supporting community college students through the K-12 budget by establishing a new $40M Dual Enrollment reimbursement program and increasing funding for Career and Technical Education (CTE) Early/Middle College and CTE Dual Enrollment programs. Dr. Selmon has been working with a couple of area superintendents regarding new dual enrollment initiatives.

Funding for Michigan's Promise Zones has increased by $5 million, bringing the statewide total to $48.3 million. Of this increase, the Muskegon Area Promise Zone will receive $1 million. Approximately 1,300 Muskegon Area Promise Zone students are expected to enroll.

United States Congressman John Moolenaar visited campus to meet with MCC leadership. During the visit, MCC shared information about the college, highlighted its continued efforts to pursue federal funding opportunities, and discussed priorities that are important to West Michigan.

Important dates:

- July 21, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. is the last day to register for the November Ballot to be elected as a MCC Trustee.
- July 29-31, 2026, MCCA Summer Conference, Mackinac Island
- August 4, 2026, Millage Restoration Vote, Muskegon County
- August 26, 2026, MCCA Trustees Talks Virtual Conversation
- October 1-2, 2026, MCCA 2026 Student Success Summit in Muskegon.

Dr. Tucker Brown provided an enrollment update highlighting positive trends across several student populations. Summer semester ends August 10. Headcount, credit hours and contact hours have all increased. Key student populations continue to show growth:

- Early College enrollment is up 60%.
- Promise students increased by 30%.
- Reconnect students have increased by 30%.
- Male student enrollment increased by 3%, representing an addition 30 students.
- Adult learners currently make up 40% of the campus population.

Recognition was given to the Student Success and Completion Agenda Team, consisting of 20 members of Achieving the Dream (ATD). The team completed the final review of the strategic plan.

A total of 45 students passed the NCLEX exam at a 100% pass rate:

- 10 students passed the NCLEX-PN.
- 35 students passed the NCLEX-RN.

Dr. Selmon encouraged the trustees to continue to get the millage restoration information out via email.

Sue Samaniego thanked everyone for attending *An Evening with MCC* and for their generous support. The event generated $185,230 in gross proceeds. While expenses were higher, the event still contributed $62,000 in net proceeds to the *Next Century Funds.* A total of 535 tickets were sold.

MCC received a global Telly Award. Of the roughly 13,000 entries, MCC won a Silver Award with MCC's 2025 *Bring It Out* commercial landing us in the top 7% of global entries in the category of general-schools/colleges/universities. A great team effort by the Marketing & Communications Department.

B. Student Success Report
  1. Enrollment
  2. Student Success Completion Agenda

VI. Business Non – Operational

A. Michigan Community College Association Report

Trustee Crandall reported that the good news is the state legislature passed the budget. While there is no specific funding allocated for ITEMS, funds may become available throughout the year. Decisions regarding where the money will come from and how it will be distributed have not yet been made.

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

A. It is the recommendation of the President that the Board approve the sole source selection of Hurst Mechanical for a cost not to exceed $211,100 to complete the 3rd floor humidity control project.

Trustee Moore moved approval. Second. Vote unanimous; motion carried.

B. It is the recommendation of the President that the Board of Trustees authorize purchasing a mid-sized Kubota Tractor through the Sourcewell Purchasing Cooperative pricing from Pell's Farm Service, Inc for a cost not to exceed $90,512.28.

Trustee Scott moved approval. Second. Vote unanimous; motion carried.

C. It is recommended that the Muskegon Community College Board of Trustees approve and endorse the name, vision, mission, goals, and objectives outlined in the Muskegon Community College 2026–2029 Strategic Plan, thereby affirming the College's strategic direction and priorities for the next three years.

Trustee Portenga moved approval. Second. Vote unanimous; motion carried.

The 2026-2029 Strategic Plan, titled **Pathways to Success,** was well received by the Board. Members commended the strategic planning process and the evaluation component. The Board expressed its appreciation to everyone who contributed to the plan and thanked all those involved for their hard work.

IX. Board of Trustees Policy Governance
   A. Policy Updates
   B. Future Agenda Items

X. Public General Comments

XI. Board Comments/Announcements
Vote August 4th! The Social Media posts have been good.

XII. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:11 p.m. Minutes submitted by Secretary Nancy Frye.
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