

SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

BOARD OF CONTROL

JUNE 11, 1990  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
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MINUTES

BOARD OF CONTROL

SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

Regular Meeting

9:30 a.m.

Board of Control Room - Wickes Hall

June 11, 1990

Present: Clark  
Curtiss  
Hornsby  
Gilbertson  
Klykylo  
Revilla  
Saltzman  
Ward  
Woods

Absent:

Others

Present: A. Beutler  
G. Carrington  
R. Coppola  
J. Fallon  
M. Frahm  
R. Hanes  
L. Kickham  
J. Lyddon  
J. Muladore  
J. Pagano  
R. Payne  
J. Stanley  
R. Thompson  
R. Yien  
Press (2)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Saltzman called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. with Board members Clark, Curtiss, Hornsby, Klykylo, Ward and Woods present. She welcomed Mr. Garvin Carrington, new President of SVSU's Student Government.

II. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

A) Approval of Agenda and Additions and Deletions to Agenda

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

B) Approval of Minutes of May 4, 1990 Regular Monthly Meeting

It was moved and supported that the minutes of the May 4, 1990 regular monthly meeting be approved.

The minutes were approved as written and were ordered filed in the President's Office and in Zahnow Library.

C) Recognition of the Official Representative of the Faculty Association

Larry Kickham, Vice President of the Faculty Association, had no comments.

D) Communications and Requests to Appear before the Board

There were none.

III. ACTION ITEMS

Resolution to Approve Samuel D. Marble Memorial

RES-900 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, Dr. Samuel D. Marble was appointed as the first President of the present Saginaw Valley State University on March 23, 1964 and served in that capacity for ten years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Marble's leadership provided the solid foundation on which the University was built and continues to grow and develop; and

WHEREAS, Upon his recent passing, the University has been

considering various alternatives toward recognizing his important role in the history and development of the University; and

WHEREAS, Representatives of various University constituencies have been involved in identifying and evaluating such alternatives;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the present Wickes Lecture Hall be designated henceforth as the Samuel D. Marble Lecture Hall; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the existing bas relief of Dr. Marble and related material commemorating the founding of the University be displayed in or near the hall; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a Samuel D. Marble Scholarship be designated for a transfer student from Delta College as a lasting tribute to Dr. Marble's service to both Delta College and Saginaw Valley State University.

Board member Curtiss, Chairperson of the Samuel D. Marble Memorial Committee, stated that the committee had met four times to discuss a number of different alternatives. The resolution before the Board embodies the consensus of that committee.

President Gilbertson thanked Mr. Curtiss and the committee for their time and effort and noted that he felt the committee's ideas were very appropriate.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

2) Resolution Approving Authorization to Continue General Fund Budget Expenditures for 1990-91

RES-901 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, The General Fund operating budget for fiscal year 1989-90 expires on June 30, 1990, and

WHEREAS, Due to the uncertainty of the level of state appropriation funding and its relationship in setting tuition and fee rates for fiscal year 1990-91, the University has not completed development of a successor budget for 1990-91,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the administration of the University is hereby authorized to continue General Fund expenditures for salaries and for such other services, supplies and equipment as may reasonably be required to permit operation of the University at a level consistent with the anticipated operating budget for the 1990-91 fiscal year.

President Gilbertson stated that it has not been possible to

complete the development of the General Fund operating budget for fiscal year 1990-91, due to the uncertainty of the level of State appropriations and because negotiations with the faculty are in progress. It is hoped that enough will be known about these two key variables to allow the administration to come before the Board with a comprehensive budget proposal at a special meeting in July. The resolution before the Board today would allow the University to continue to pay its bills and meet the payroll until that time.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

3) Motion to Approve Board of Fellows Appointment and Reappointments

BM-786 It was moved and supported that the Board of Control approve the appointment and reappointments of the following individuals who have been nominated by the Nominations Committee and approved by the membership of the Board of Fellows for appointment and reappointment to four-year terms commencing July 1, 1990:

Reappointment

David L. Clabuesch  
Walter I. Foss, III  
John W. Kendall  
Ernest E. Paulick

Pigeon  
Frankenmuth  
Southfield  
Bad Axe

Appointment

Henry Nickleberry

Saginaw

President Gilbertson noted that the University has been well served by the friendship network of the Board of Fellows. Board members commented favorably on the geographical distribution of the reappointments and on the fact that the Mayor of Saginaw was being appointed.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

4) Resolution Regarding Agreements with Consumers Power Company

RES-902 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, The Board of Control has previously authorized the University's administration to purchase gas at the wellhead, and

WHEREAS, There have been changes in the manner in which Consumers Power Company provides other associated services of storing and transporting said gas to the campus, and

WHEREAS, Consumers Power Company is requiring a Gas Transportation Agreement, Part 1; Gas Storage Agreement, Part 1; and Gas Storage Agreement, Part 2, in order to provide services pertaining to said storage and transportation, and

WHEREAS, The University's general counsel, Currie & Kendall, has reviewed the proposed agreements,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the President and the Vice President for Administration and Business Affairs, or either of them, are hereby authorized on behalf of the Board of Control to take such actions as they deem necessary or expedient, including without limitation, the execution of agreements in substantially the form as those herein referenced, in order to provide for the storage and transportation of natural gas by Consumers Power Company.

Mr. Robert D. Hanes, Director of Engineering Services, stated that for the past two years SVSU had been saving approximately 25 percent of its cost per year for gas by buying it directly from the wellhead, rather than through Consumers Power Company. However, the Michigan Public Service Commission recently passed new regulations which would require institutions to sign agreements with the utilities both for the transportation of gas through Consumers Power lines and to allow private customers to store gas in Consumers Power wells for a very nominal fee. Therefore, it would be possible for us to purchase gas at a reduced rate in July and August and store it until we need it in December or January.

Mr. Hanes continued that the two agreements alluded to in the resolution before the Board had to be signed before July 1st, or the University would have to discontinue buying from the wellhead

and go back to purchasing gas from Consumers Power at the additional cost.

In response to questions from the Board, Mr. Hanes stated that SVSU had not previously stored gas in Consumers Power wells because it had never been allowed. Under the new program, SVSU would be permitted to store up to one full year's supply of gas. Our intention would be to buy it at a reduced rate during the summer and store it for use in the winter months. Almost all of the industrial users in the State of Michigan are going to use this new program. The pipelines have ample capacity in the summer months, but can't deliver gas enough to Michigan to serve everybody from December through February. It is projected that SVSU would save approximately \$80,000 on gas over the next twelve months by utilizing the new program.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

5) Resolution to Approve President's Employment Contract

Chairperson Saltzman read the following Report on Evaluation of SVSU President's Performance:

June 11, 1990

Bylaws of the Board of Control (3.0-3, #23, revised 8/10/87) specify that the Board reserves the authority to periodically evaluate the performance and functioning of the Office of the President. Consequently, the purpose of this evaluation is to fulfill Board responsibility, to strengthen the President's position, to educate faculty and staff regarding the President's role as well as to set an example for their evaluations, to review institutional goals and, above all, to improve the governance of the University. (John W. Nason, Association of Governing Boards)

The current one-year employment agreement (effective 8/28/89) between the Board of Control and Dr. Eric R. Gilbertson states that if the evaluation demonstrates acceptable performance, the Board, with the concurrence of the President, could extend the term of this agreement (Provision 3). It's important to remember that Dr. Gilbertson's tenure in office was only seven months, when the Board discussed his performance in two executive sessions (April and May 1990).

Herewith is the timetable and structure of the evaluation process: In December (1989), the Chairperson and the President prepared an agenda for the Board retreat in January (1/12-13/90). Materials included relevant Board bylaws, the Search Committee's criteria of "Desired Characteristics of the New President" (approved 11/14/88), the aforementioned employment agreement (8/28/89), the Chairperson's Charge to the President at his inauguration (11/28/89) and condensations of various publications from the Association of Governing Boards. In February (1990), the President also submitted a report related to the "Goals and Objectives for 1989-90", adopted (6/12/89) prior to his appointment.

After a review of the "Desired Characteristics" list and the "Inauguration Charge," the Board concluded that the President had shown positive results and progress in each category. The report of the current President's Planning Task Force is expected to respond to Board concerns regarding institutional goals and objectives. The next Board retreat could also be an opportunity to examine issues.

Particular praise was expressed for the President's effort to keep the Board informed. Caution was suggested about eight Board members not making individual demands, since they must work as a single unit when directing the President. Assessment of Board performance would be a valuable adjunct to the evaluation process, as recommended by the Association of Governing Boards and Board of Control bylaws (3.0-23, revised 8/10/87).

The President has excelled in meeting people and speaking to groups on campus and in the community. However, the Board suggested that the President might need to prioritize his time and energy since his first responsibility is to the campus constituency.

The Board appreciated his desire to enhance student life on campus, although SVSU is primarily a commuter institution for students as well as faculty. Cultural

and social activities are as important as academic and athletic ones, it agreed with the President.

The Board felt the Faculty-Administration relationship has improved considerably, with the President meeting regularly with the Association's executive committee, sharing brown-bag lunches, making speeches and sending communications. In addition, the Board noted the Department Chairperson's favorable assessment of the President's classroom teaching.

To summarize, the President's seven-month tenure has been a period of learning and accomplishment, showing much promise for the future. Dr. Gilbertson has the strong support of the eight Board members appraising his performance. They agreed that an offer should be made immediately to extend his employment contract.

Florence F. Saltzman  
Chairperson, Board of Control

Chairperson Saltzman stated that Mr. Curtiss was the Chair of the Contract Committee. Mr. Hornsby also served on the committee. Mrs. Saltzman served as an ex-officio member.

RES-903 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, The Board has reviewed the form of an extension to the Employment Agreement between the University and Dr. Eric R. Gilbertson, providing for the continuing employment of Dr. Gilbertson as the President of the University for the period of September 1, 1990, through December 31, 1992, and

WHEREAS, It is the judgment of the Board that such agreement should be executed, and

WHEREAS, The annual salary will be \$97,500, effective September 1, 1990,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Employment Agreement in the form submitted to this meeting, providing for the employment of Dr. Eric R. Gilbertson of Saginaw Valley State University, is hereby ratified and approved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chairperson is authorized and directed to execute such Employment Agreement on behalf of the University.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

Chairperson Saltzman noted that the resolution had been passed

unanimously and enthusiastically.

IV. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

6) Summer Enrollment Report

Mr. Richard P. Thompson, Dean of Student Affairs, distributed and reviewed the attached report. (See Appendix One: Enrollment) He noted that the report included registration for the first three summer sessions. The report was very favorable, indicating a 10.9 percent increase in headcount and a 13.6 percent increase in credit hours over last year.

7) Report on Forward 90

Dr. Albert J. Beutler, Executive Director of Development and the SVSU Foundation, distributed and reviewed the attached report, which reflects the revised campaign. (See Appendix Two, Forward 90) He told the Board that the campaign was started in December of 1988, at which time there was a larger figure for the stadium project and athletic scholarships and grants. We are just under \$25,000 from reaching the campaign goal. However, a proposal is pending which, if successful, would take us over the \$3,100,000 target. Dr. Beutler expressed his appreciation to the members of the Forward 90 committee. President Gilbertson stated that SVSU owes a great deal of gratitude to those who raised the money and to those who gave it, and to some who did both.

V. REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

President Gilbertson told the Board that he had had a number of conversations with our new Student Government leadership, which have been fun and exciting. A number of the goals they want to

pursue are enormously exciting and many are the same things the administration would like to accomplish. These include providing stronger support for the whole network of student clubs on campus; enhancing and vitalizing the life on campus and reaching out with activities for the whole range of students served by SVSU; and supporting cultural and academic events on campus.

President Gilbertson introduced Mr. Joseph Pagano, SVSU's Staff Member of the Month.

President Gilbertson then stated, "I would be remiss if I didn't take note of the obvious -- that this is Mrs. Saltzman's last meeting as the Chair. I want to express my deep appreciation for all of her kindness and thoughtfulness during the past year, starting with our interaction during the search, and then all the hand holding that she did with the new president during his first year in the saddle. I don't think I have ever known a Board member who has worked so hard or so long or cared so deeply."

Chairperson Saltzman thanked Dr. Gilbertson for his remarks. She also thanked Mr. Curtiss for chairing the Samuel D. Marble Memorial Committee and the Contract Committee, as well as many others in the past.

Mrs. Woods requested that because of conflicts with her calendar, as well as President Gilbertson's, the August meeting of the Board be held on the 20th.

BM-787 Mrs. Wood moved that the regular Board of Control meeting in August be scheduled for the 20th. Mr. Clark supported the motion.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTER

The Board moved to Executive Session at 10:19 a.m. (Board member Revilla joined the meeting at 10:30 a.m.) and reconvened in public session at 11:05 a.m.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Saltzman adjourned the meeting at 11:05.

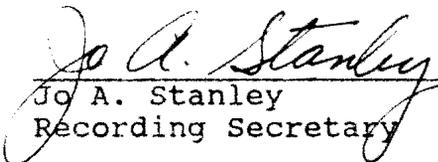
Respectfully Submitted:

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Florence F. Saltzman  
Chairperson

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George E. Ward  
Secretary

  
Jo A. Stanley  
Recording Secretary

SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY  
OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

JUNE 8, 1990

**SUMMER 1990 ENROLLMENT REPORT**  
(Sessions I, II, III only)

Summer 1990 courses are divided into six sessions as they were in 1989. Official counts have been recorded for the three sessions that began on May 7, 1990.

	Summer 1989	Summer 1990	difference	% change
H:	2,364	2,622	258	10.9%
C:	10,036	11,401	1,365	13.6%

In mid-July, official counts will be taken for the fourth and fifth sessions plus the combined total for the five main sessions. In late August, the sixth session will be recorded separately since it occurs in the new fiscal year.

At last count, the enrollment in the five combined sessions is leading one year ago by 8.9% in students and 5.9% in credits. The final registration dates for these later sessions will be June 21, 22 and 27, 28.

**FORWARD 90  
Progress Report  
5/31/90**

	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Progress to Date</u>	<u>% of Goal</u>
Library Books & Materials	\$ 550,000	\$ 223,930	41%
Student Financial Aid:			
Outright Gifts		213,228	
Endowed Gifts		<u>422,000</u>	
Financial Aid Subtotal	550,000	635,228	115%
Engineering	800,000	752,962	94%
Unrestricted	<u>-0-</u>	<u>263,850</u>	--
Subtotal	\$1,900,000	\$1,875,970	99%
Stadium Project	<u>1,200,000</u>	<u>\$1,200,000</u>	100%
GRAND TOTAL	\$3,100,000	<u>\$3,075,970</u> =====	99%

FORWARD 90  
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