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MINUTES
BOARD OF CONTROL
Regular Formal Session
May 10, 2008
Board of Control Room, Third Floor Wickes Hall

Present: Abbs
Gamez
Gilbertson
Karu
Law
Martin
Sedrowski
Wilson
Yantz

Absent:

Others

Present: D. Bachand
S. Barbus
J. Boehm
S. Crimmins
G. Hamilton
M. Hedberg
R. Maurovich
B. Mudd
J. Muladore
J. Ordway
C. Ramet
R. Schneider
A. Seeley
J. Stanghini
J. Stanley
G. Thompson
R. Thompson
M. Thorns
M. Wafa
Press

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Karu called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. with Board members Law, Martin, Sedrowski, Wilson, and Yantz in attendance. He noted that a quorum was present.

II. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

A. Approval of Agenda and Additions to and Deletions from Agenda

There were no additions to or deletions from the agenda.

The agenda was APPROVED as distributed.

B. Approval of Minutes of February 11, 2008 Regular Formal Session of the Board of Control

It was moved and supported that the minutes of the February 11, 2008 Regular Formal Session of the Board of Control be approved.

The minutes were unanimously APPROVED as written.

C. Recognition of the Official Representative of the Faculty Association

Professor Gary Thompson, President of the Faculty Association, told the Board: "In the academic world, May is always a time of transitions. We have some 700 students putting on their academic regalia and waiting in a variety of states ranging from anticipation to mild boredom for the speakers to conclude their prepared remarks and Chris Looney to sonorously pronounce their names from cards. Faculty have, it seems, just turned in their grades and are moving into that unscheduled but often intense period of working differently, before the fall brings in another cohort of students making their transition to college life. Some faculty are working differently beginning Monday morning, with the spring term.

“I have to mention a sad transition here which was marked by perhaps 200 people this last Wednesday. Leslie Whittaker, my colleague in the English department since the doors opened at Saginaw Valley College, passed away in April. The commemoration was attended by former students, former and present faculty and administrators, staff, and community figures who had known Dr. Whittaker during his long and memorable life. Leslie was a performer and let his presence be felt on every public and private occasion.

“These are definite events, a memorial and a graduation, but there’s something in the air as well, and I do not mean spring. Back in 1987 when SVSC became SVSU, we didn’t want to waste all that stationery, and so we had rubber stamps that said WE’RE A UNIVERSITY NOW for our envelopes. Those of us of a cynical turn of mind had our own comments on that occasion. For some time now, however, it’s begun to feel that we no longer have to stamp hopeful messages on our old stationery, that we truly feel like a university. More of this can be found in the list of faculty being promoted and officially granted tenure today. But in hearing the list of award winners read at the All-University Awards Banquet recently and hearing Gene Hamilton’s familiar jokes yet again, things felt comfortable and homey.

“I don’t want to keep these rose-colored glasses on for too long. As Herman Melville once said in a letter to his neighbor Nathaniel Hawthorne, “[W]hat plays the mischief with the truth is that men will insist upon the universal application of a temporary feeling or opinion.” We are entering another transitional period, as we move into negotiations for a new faculty contract. Our different world views and our different sets of responsibilities may become evident in the next few months –

judging by the past. University administrations are operated hierarchically, while the faculty inhabit a messy democratic structure. Remember the old Will Rogers joke: "I'm not a member of any organized political party. I'm a Democrat." But I believe both groups are preparing to work in good faith, in what we perceive as the institution's best interests, and hopefully those temporary feelings and opinions expressed at the negotiation table will not stay around for long."

Vice Chairman Karu thanked Professor Thompson for his comments.

Jeremiah Stanghini, outgoing President of the Student Association, introduced Angela Seeley, the new President of the Student Association.

D. Communications and Requests to Appear Before the Board

Jennifer Ordway, Staff Member of the Month for February, and Steven Crimmins, Staff Member of the Month for April, were presented to the Board. (See Appendix One: Ordway, and Appendix Two: Crimmins.)

III. ACTION ITEMS

1. Resolution to Thank Jeremiah Stanghini and the Elected Representatives for their Service as Student Association Members

RES-1775 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, Student Association President Jeremiah Stanghini has been actively involved in the affairs of Saginaw Valley State University throughout his student years, demonstrating outstanding leadership qualities and abilities; and

WHEREAS, Jeremiah Stanghini and the elected representatives listed below served students and the University with dedication during the 2007-2008 academic year;

**President
Jeremiah Stanghini**

Representatives

**Liz Calloway
Mingyu Chen
Eric Curtis
Lauren Cwik
Christian Ginther
Brittany Giordano
Raymond Goll
Becky Griffin
Angela Grimaldi
Kali Grove
Isaac Hudson
Jeremy Jones**

**Ryan Kanine
Autumn Kern
Jamey Latocki
Tyler Payne
Robbyn Reed
Chelsea Robl
Angela Seeley
Ashton Stohkirch
Megan Thorp
Mario Volante
Sienna Wallace
Cartier William**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University formally expresses its appreciation to Jeremiah Stanghini and the representatives for their dedicated service on behalf of the University and its student body.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board conveys its best wishes to Mr. Stanghini and the representatives for continued academic and future professional success.

Dick Thompson, University Ombudsman, told the Board that it had been a challenging year for the Student Association, but that Jeremiah Stanghini was instrumental in bringing the group together both inside and outside the classroom. They had more than achieved the goals and objectives they had set forth for themselves and made the University just a little bit better than it was.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

2. Resolution to Congratulate Angela Seeley and Representatives of the Student Association on their Election

RES-1776 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, The Student Association represents the formal structure for student participation in the affairs of the University; and

WHEREAS, The individuals listed below were recently elected by vote of their fellow students to assume leadership positions in the Student Association for 2008-2009;

President

Angela Seeley

Representatives

Liz Calloway

Mingyu Chen

Beth Freer

Christian Ginther

Brittany Giordano

Raymond Goll

Becky Griffin

Angela Grimaldi

Kali Grove

Isaac Hudson

Jeremy Jones

Ryan Kanine

Autumn Kern

Chao Liang

Tyler Payne

Chunchun Tang

Megan Thorp

Mario Volante

Sienna Wallace

James Wright

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University offers its congratulations and best wishes to the aforementioned leaders on their election to office;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board conveys its pledge to work with these leaders toward the betterment of Saginaw Valley State University.

President Gilbertson noted that Ms. Seeley had won a landslide victory in a hotly contested election. He added that he felt the students had made a very good choice and that he and the Board of Control were looking forward to working with her this year.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

3. Resolution to Grant Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees

RES-1777 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, Saginaw Valley State University is granted the authority to confer undergraduate and graduate degrees as outlined in Section 5 of Public and Local Acts of Michigan 1965; and

WHEREAS, Operating Policy 3.101 Article III of the Board reserves to the Board the authority to grant degrees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University approve the awarding of undergraduate and graduate degrees at the May 10, 2008 Commencement as certified by the faculty and Registrar.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

4. Report of Nominating Committee and Resolution to Elect Officers of the Board of Control

RES-1778 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, The Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control Bylaws stipulate that a Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the Board to recommend candidates for each office;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Nominating Committee of Jerome Yantz, Leola Wilson, and David Abbs submit for election the following slate of officers of the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control for 2008-2009.

Chair	David R. Gamez
Vice Chair	K. P. Karunakaran
Secretary	Lawrence E. Sedrowski
Treasurer	D. Brian Law

Trustee Yantz stated that the Nominating Committee would like to recommend the current slate of officers for another year. The nominees have agreed to continue to serve, if elected.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

5. Motion to Establish Board of Control Calendar for 2008-2009

BM-1071 **It was moved and supported that the attached calendar be adopted.** (See Appendix Three: Calendar.)

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

6. Resolution to Grant Honorary Degree to United States Senator Debbie Stabenow

RES-1779 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, Debbie Stabenow's distinguished political career includes serving in the Michigan State House and State Senate, and in the United States Congress and Senate. She was first elected to the U.S. Senate in 2000 and re-elected in 2006 to a second term; and

WHEREAS, Senator Stabenow is a lifelong resident of Michigan and a strong advocate for higher education, the preservation of the Great Lakes waterways, and meeting the health care needs of children, families, and the elderly; and

WHEREAS, Senator Stabenow has compiled an outstanding record of legislative leadership. As a member of the prestigious Senate Finance Committee, she has played a key role in addressing the nation's health care and trade policies, critical to Michigan's future. While serving on the Senate Agriculture Committee, she has emphasized the importance of the State's agricultural resources and its alternative energy production; and

WHEREAS, Debbie Stabenow has long been known as an ardent supporter of public education. In the United States Senate, she has urged passage of the American Competitiveness Scholarship Act, has supported bills to increase appropriations for after-school agencies and to improve assessment systems for student achievement, and has worked to ensure funding for higher education research into new technologies; and

WHEREAS, Senator Stabenow has received numerous awards and honors, including the Legislator of the Year Award from both the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police and the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs, the Great Lakes Legislator of the Year Award from the Great Lakes Maritime Task Force, and the Distinguished Community Health Champion Award from the National Association of Community Health Centers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University approve the granting of the Honorary Doctor of Laws degree to United States Senator Debbie Stabenow to be presented at the May 10, 2008 Commencement.

President Gilbertson noted that Senator Stabenow would be the speaker at today's Commencement ceremony. He enthusiastically recommended that she be granted an honorary degree.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

7. Resolution to Approve Faculty Promotions, Effective July 1, 2008

RES-1780 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, promotions to various academic ranks represent formal and traditional recognition of faculty accomplishments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the following faculty members be granted promotions to the ranks specified, effective July 1, 2008.

Rank of Assistant Professor

Shepardson, Sally	Biology
Thomas, Brian	Sociology
Wagner, Debra	Nursing

Rank of Associate Professor

Cassar, Marie	Psychology
Cho, Il-Hyung	Computer Science & Information Systems
Fager, Jennifer	Teacher Education
Garrelts, Nathan	English
Ravuri, Evelyn	Geography
Smith, Deborah	Teacher Education
Trepanier, Lee	Political Science

Rank of Professor

Byam, Brooks	Mechanical Engineering
Cavanaugh, M. Patricia	English
Drew, Robert	Communication
James, Scott	Computer Science & Information Systems
Millar, Dorothy	Education Technology and Development
Sullivan, Ann Catherine	Teacher Education

Dr. Donald Bachand, Vice President for Academic Affairs, told the Board that the 16 faculty members being proposed for promotion are extremely strong teachers, researchers, and program developers. They have all been approved by unanimous vote of the Professional

Practices Committee (PPC).

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

8. Resolution to Approve Faculty Tenure, Effective July 1, 2008

RES-1781 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, Faculty tenure provides continuous employment of a faculty member for at least a basic two-semester appointment during each fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, Tenure status is achieved when a faculty member is recommended by the Professional Practices Committee and by the Administration for continuous appointment henceforth,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the following faculty member be granted tenure, as provided by the terms of the SVSU-Faculty Association agreement, effective July 1, 2008

Sally Shepardson Assistant Professor, Biology

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

9. Resolution to Approve Capital Projects

RES-1782 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, The Finance and Audit Committee has discussed and considered various capital projects; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient financial resources are available from capital project and auxiliary system reserves to fund the projects;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board hereby authorizes the President or Vice President for Administration and Business Affairs to enter into contracts to complete the below-referenced projects with budgets as indicated:

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|---|--------------------|
| 1. Student Housing - North Campus Village | \$2,300,000 |
| 2. Arbury Fine Arts - Classroom/Lab Addition | 2,000,000 |
| 3. Tower Drive Roadway Extension | 300,000 |
| 4. Campus Dining - Regional Education Center Project | 500,000 |
| 5. Contingency for Projects | 750,000 |

James Muladore, Vice President for Administration and Business Affairs, told the Board that Resolution 1782 pertains to capital projects that are funded from University resources for capital projects. He summarized the backgrounds of the various projects and explained why they are needed.

(Mr. Abbs joined the meeting at 9:35 p.m.)

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

10. Resolution to Authorize Capital Project and the Issuance and Delivery of General Revenue Bonds

RES-1783 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, The Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University (the “Board”) is a constitutional body corporate established pursuant to Article VIII, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, as amended, with general supervision of Saginaw Valley State University (the “University”) and the control and direction of all expenditures from the University’s funds; and

WHEREAS, The Board proposes to undertake the project described in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof, together with other projects which may be subsequently approved by the Board and designated to be financed, in whole or in part from the proceeds of the bonds authorized hereby (collectively, the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, The Board has previously issued General Revenue Bonds in several series, and it may be appropriate and economic to refund all or any portion of the outstanding principal maturities of those General Revenue Bonds (the outstanding bonds, if any, to be refunded to be determined by an Authorized Officer [hereinafter defined] and to be herein called the “Bonds to be Refunded”); and

WHEREAS, In the exercise of its constitutional duties, and in order to prudently control and direct expenditures from the University’s funds, the Board determines it is necessary and desirable to authorize the issuance and delivery of the Board’s General Revenue Bonds (the “Bonds”) in order to provide funds which, together with other available funds, will be used to pay all or a portion of the costs of the Project, to fund capitalized interest, if applicable, and to pay all or a portion of the costs of refunding the Bonds to be Refunded, and costs incidental to the issuance of the Bonds and the

refunding, including insurance premiums, if appropriate; and

WHEREAS, A trust indenture (the “Trust Indenture”) must be entered into by and between the Board and a trustee (the “Trustee”), to be designated by an Authorized Officer (herein defined), pursuant to which the Bonds will be issued and secured; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary to authorize the Authorized Officers to determine to sell the bonds at competitive sale or to negotiate the sale of the Bonds with an underwriter or group of underwriters to be selected by an Authorized Officer (collectively, the “Underwriter”) and to enter into a bond purchase agreement (the “Bond Purchase Agreement”) with the Underwriter setting forth the terms and conditions upon which the Underwriter will agree to purchase the Bonds and the interest rates thereof and the purchase price therefore; and

WHEREAS, In order to be able to market the Bonds at the most opportune time, it is necessary for the Board to authorize the President and the Vice President for Administration and Business Affairs (each an “Authorized Officer”), or either of them, to negotiate, execute and deliver on behalf of the Board, any of the following as shall be necessary for the purposes of this Resolution: the Trust Indenture, or the Bond Purchase Agreement, and other related documents, to establish the specific terms of the Bonds and to accept the offer of the Underwriter or successful bidder to purchase the Bonds, all within the limitations set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, The Board has full power under its constitutional authority and supervision of the University, and control and direction of expenditures from the University funds, to acquire and construct the Project, to refund the Bonds to be Refunded and to pay all or a portion of the costs of the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project, and all or a portion of the costs of refunding, by issuance of the Bonds, and to pledge General Revenues for payment of the Bonds:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board hereby approves the component of the Project described in Exhibit A attached hereto, and authorizes the Authorized Officers, or either of them to proceed with that component of the Project. The Board may subsequently approve additional components of the Project and specify that such additional components shall be financed in whole or in part from the proceeds of the Bonds, upon which occurrence such components shall thereupon become components of the Project hereunder. Either Authorized Officer is authorized to determine the specific amount of the cost of each component of the Project to be financed from the proceeds of the Bonds. In addition, The Board authorizes the Authorized Officers, or either or them, to determine which, if any of the outstanding General Revenue Bonds of the Board shall be refunded, based on whether such refunding would produce interest costs savings, more favorable debt service schedules, or more flexible documentation, and to cause to be called for redemption such

of the bonds as are appropriate and consistent with the foregoing objectives.

2. The Board hereby authorizes the issuance, execution and delivery of the Bonds in one or more series to be designated GENERAL REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2008B, with appropriate additional or alternative series designations, if any, in the aggregate principal amount to be established by an Authorized Officer, but not to exceed (a) The amount necessary to produce proceeds of \$12,250,000, plus (b) the amount necessary to accomplish the refunding of the Bonds to be Refunded, to be dated as of the date or dates established by an Authorized Officer, for the purpose of providing funds which, together with other available funds, will be used to pay all or a portion of the costs of the Project, all or a portion of the costs of refunding the Bonds to be Refunded, and the costs related to the issuance of the Bonds and the refunding, including capitalized interest for such period as an Authorized Officer may deem appropriate and bond insurance premiums, if appropriate. The Bonds shall be serial Bonds or term Bonds, which maybe be subject to redemption requirements, or both, as shall be established by an Authorized Officer, but the first maturity shall be no earlier than August 1, 2008 and the last maturity shall be no later than December 31, 2038. The Bonds may bear no interest or may bear interest at stated fixed rates for the respective maturities thereof as shall be established by the Authorized Officer, but the highest yield (computed using the stated coupon and the stated original offering price) for any maturity shall not exceed 6.5% per annum, and the Bonds may be issued in whole or in part as capital appreciation bonds, which for their term or any part thereof bear no interest but appreciate in principal amount over time at compounded rates (not in excess of 6.5% per annum) to be determined by an Authorized Officer. The Bonds may be subject to redemption or call for purchase prior to maturity at the times and prices and in the manner as shall be established by an Authorized Officer, but no redemption premium shall exceed 3% of the principal amount being redeemed, unless the premium is established as a "make-whole" amount, in which case the premium may not exceed 12% of the principal amount being redeemed. Interest on the Bonds shall be payable at such times as shall be specified by an Authorized Officer. The Bonds shall be issued in fully registered form in denominations, shall be payable as to principal and interest in the manner, shall be subject to transfer and exchange, and shall be executed and authenticated, all as shall be provided in the Trust Indenture. As shall be determined by an Authorized Officer, the Bonds shall be sold by competitive sale following publication of a notice of sale in the form approved by an Authorized Officer, or by negotiation with the Underwriter to be selected by an Authorized Officer pursuant to the Bond Purchase Agreement. If the Bonds are sold by negotiation, the purchase price shall be established by an Authorized Officer (but the Underwriter's discount, exclusive of original issue discount, shall not exceed 1.0% of the principal amount thereof) plus accrued interest, if any, from the dated date of the Bonds to the date of delivery thereof.

In connection with the refunding or previously anticipated refunding of any outstanding bonds of the University, either of the Authorized Officers may terminate any interest rate swap agreement previously entered into with respect to the bonds being refunded or which were anticipated to be refunded and pay any termination amount owing from available funds of the University or from the proceeds of the Bonds authorized hereby.

3. The Bonds, and the obligations of the Board under Trust Indenture shall be limited and not general obligations of the Board payable from and secured by a lien on General Revenues (as shall be defined in the Trust Indenture to include generally all or a portion of the following: student tuition and other fees before allowances for scholarships, housing and auxiliary revenues before allowances for scholarships, unrestricted gifts and grants, unrestricted investment income, unrestricted receipts from the sales and service of educational activities, and other miscellaneous revenues, all subject to certain reductions, limitations and exceptions) and moneys, securities or other investments from time to time on deposit in certain funds created pursuant to the Trust Indenture. The lien shall be on a parity basis with the liens on General Revenues securing previously issued outstanding bonds and notes of the Board.

No recourse shall be had for the payment of the principal amount of or interest or premium on the Bonds, or any claim based thereon, against the State of Michigan, or any member or agent of the Board (including, without limitation, any officer or employee of the University), as individuals, either directly or indirectly, nor, except as provided in the Trust Indenture, against the Board, nor shall the Bonds and interest with respect thereto become a lien on or be secured by any property, real, personal, or mixed of the State of Michigan or the Board, other than General Revenues and the moneys, securities or other investments from time to time on deposit in certain funds established as pledged pursuant to the Trust Indenture.

4. The right is reserved to issue additional bonds, notes or other obligations payable from and secured on a parity basis with the Bonds from the General Revenues, upon compliance with the terms and conditions as shall be set forth in the Trust Indenture.

5. The Authorized Officers, or either of them, are hereby authorized and directed, in the name and on behalf of the Board, and as its corporate act and deed, to select the Trustee and, if the Bonds are to sold on a negotiated basis, the Underwriter, and to negotiate, execute and deliver the Trust Indenture in such form as shall be not inconsistent herewith, and the Bond Purchase Agreement, in the form as an Authorized Officer may approve, which approval shall be conclusively evidenced by the execution of the Trust Indenture and the Bond Purchase Agreement, respectively, all within the limitations set forth herein.

6. An Authorized Officer, or either of them, are hereby authorized,

empowered and directed, in the name and on behalf of the Board, and as its corporate act and deed, to execute the Bonds by placing his or their manual or facsimile signature or signatures thereon, and to deliver the Bonds to the Underwriter upon payment of the purchase price therefore, determined pursuant to Section 2 hereof.

7. The Authorized Officers are hereby authorized to cause the preparation of a Preliminary Official Statement and an Official Statement, and to deem such documents “final” in accordance with law. The Underwriter or successful bidder is authorized to circulate and use, in accordance with applicable law, the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement in connection with the offering, marketing and sale of the Bonds.

8. The President, the Vice President for Administration and Business Affairs, the Secretary and any other appropriate officer of the Board of the University are hereby authorized to perform all acts and deeds and to execute and deliver all instruments and documents for and on behalf of the University required by this resolution, the Trust Indenture or the Bond Purchase Agreement, as necessary, expedient and proper in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery, and ongoing administration, of the Bonds, the Trust Indenture or the Bond Purchase Agreement, as contemplated hereby, including, if deemed appropriate, an escrow deposit agreement with an escrow agent to be designated by an Authorized Officer. Under the direction of an Authorized Officer, each of the escrow agent and the Underwriter are authorized and empowered to subscribe for United States Treasury Obligations, State and Local Government Series, on behalf of the issuer, as may be necessary in connection with any refunding authorized hereby.

9. Either Authorized Officer is authorized and directed to execute and deliver, for and on behalf of the Board, a continuing disclosure undertaking with respect to the Bonds, in the form such officer deems appropriate.

10. The Vice President for Administration and Business Affairs is hereby authorized and delegated the power to issue a declaration of intent to reimburse the University from Bond proceeds for any expenditures with respect to any component of the Project incurred prior to the issuance of the Bonds, all in accordance with I.R.S. Regulation 1.103-18.

11. All resolutions or parts of resolutions or other proceedings of the Board in conflict herewith are hereby repealed insofar as such conflict exists.

EXHIBIT A

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

	Current Anticipated Cost*
I. New Student Housing Project - Living Center Southwest	
The University is constructing a new student living center. The living center will house approximately 210 students in apartment-style units. Total gross square footage of the living center is projected to be 77,000. Construction will begin in the summer of 2008 with an expected completion date of August 2009.	\$12,000,000

* Estimated cost set forth above is exclusive of capitalized interest and bond issuance expense.

Mr. Muladore told the Board that Resolution 1783 would authorize the construction of the new housing project, the Living Center Southwest. It would also authorize the issuance and delivery of General Revenue Bonds to fund the project.

Dr. Robert Maurovich, Vice President of Student Services and Enrollment Management, reviewed the need for additional student housing. He noted that the University is running almost 200 reservations ahead of last year at this time.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

IV. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no Information and Discussion Items on the agenda.

Gene Hamilton, Special Assistant to the President for Government Relations, briefed the Board on the status of capital projects in Lansing. Trustee Martin asked those present to thank the Legislators who had supported SVSU in this regard.

(Chairman Gamez joined the meeting at 9:50 a.m.)

V. REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

President Gilbertson noted that this afternoon's commencement will be the largest ever, with 682 graduates participating in the ceremony.

President Gilbertson congratulated Marwan Wafa, Dean of the College of Business & Management, upon his being notified by the Maintenance of Accreditation Committee of the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) that the Report which was submitted earlier this year has been reviewed and accepted, and that all issues have been

adequately addressed. The College's next on-site review will be in 2012-2013.

The 2007-2008 class of Roberts Fellows currently is in China. Other faculty-led groups of students are in Ireland, Costa Rica, Vietnam, England and the Czech Republic.

Installation of the Harlequins, Marshall Fredericks' sculptures which had originally been in the Henry Ford Auditorium in Detroit, has been completed in Groening Commons. President Gilbertson expressed the University's appreciation to the Fredericks family for making this possible.

President Gilbertson congratulated Richard Thompson, University Ombudsman, and Kay Harley, Professor of English, on their retirement after long and distinguished careers.

The Softball Team won the GLIAC conference championship this year.

VI. OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION OR ACTION

11. Motion to Move to Informal Session to Discuss Collective Bargaining

BM-1072 **It was moved and supported that the Board move to Informal Session to discuss collective bargaining.**

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

The Board moved to Informal Session at 9:58 a.m. and reconvened in Formal Session at 11:20 a.m.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

12. Motion to Adjourn

BM- 1073 **It was moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned.**

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

David R. Gamez
Chairman

Lawrence E. Sedrowski
Secretary

Jo A. Stanley
Recording Secretary
Secretary to the Board of Control

Jennifer Ordway

Assistant Director, Student Counseling Center & Health Services • February 2008

Jen Ordway describes herself as a “jack of all trades,” and for her job that’s almost a requirement, because on any given day she could be planning a campus program, talking to local social service agencies, counseling individual students on any number of issues, or most likely, all of the above.

In her three and a half years, Ordway has seen some changes. “We used to do a lot of short-term counseling. With our student population growing, now we’ve gone more to assessment and referral,” she said.

Using this approach, students are directed to appropriate community agencies for further counseling. Ordway plays an important role in SVSU’s alcohol education program, including those students whose alcohol use is deemed to be high risk. Each of them receives three individual counseling sessions with her. But she stresses those instances are not the norm.

“There are a lot of misperceptions out there. The majority of our students are making healthy decisions when it comes to alcohol.”

Ordway works closely with peer health educators, trained students who counsel their peers on a variety of health and lifestyle issues. She also is involved in this semester’s “Biggest Winner” competition, aimed at encouraging students to make

healthier decisions. “They make their own goals,” Ordway said. “It’s not just weight loss.”

She also is coordinating the second annual “Walk a Mile in Her Shoes” event at SVSU, where men don heels in a gesture to relate to women. The first walk in November 2006 raised more than \$6,500, and Ordway expects to exceed that total for this year’s event Thursday, April 17. Proceeds will go to local groups for battered or abused women.

Away from work, Ordway is “always trying to find family things to do” with her husband and three children. She says they love to camp in the summer and have found that a new Wii game system provides entertainment during the cold winter months.

A 2001 graduate, Ordway says working at SVSU “feels like coming home.” Ironically, she spends much of her time counseling new arrivals away from home for the first time.

“The first semester is the hardest for incoming freshmen, because they have freedom,” she said. “It’s almost like they want me to tell them what to do, but I tell them ‘these are decisions you’re going to have to learn how to make.’ It’s part of growing up.”



Steve Crimmins

Student Services Coordinator, Macomb Regional Education Center • April 2008

The students at SVSU's Macomb Regional Education Center are generally classroom teachers and many of them are looking to incorporate the latest technology into their lesson plans and relate to today's K-12 students who have never known a world without personal computers.

For some of those educators, getting up to speed can be a struggle. That's where Steve Crimmins comes in, sharing his technology expertise.

"They are teachers; they are trainable," Crimmins quipped.

They have Crimmins' daughter to thank because he promised her he'd return to Michigan, even though coming out of school with a degree in multimedia, his interests lied in computer animation and job prospects were brightest elsewhere.

Crimmins "stumbled into" a technology specialist job with the Edison project in Mt. Clemens public schools and from there made contacts that led to his current position. He has watched technology advance by "leaps and bounds."

"I don't think I can emphasize on students enough how fast we're going," he said.

In addition to routine computer duties such as making back-up tapes, running virus definitions and installing new software, Crimmins enjoys incorporating distance education.

"That's one of the reasons I signed on," he said.

Crimmins can't help but notice that he is "the last one here from the opening in 2003," but he sees a bright future for the Macomb REC and enjoys its close-knit atmosphere.

"I work with some really nice people and it's a big team effort. We all wear many hats, and we ask each other all the time, 'Is there something I can help you with?'"

In his spare time, Crimmins enjoys 3-D photography and underwater photography, and despite spending much of his work day dealing with computers, they are also a primary source of avocation for him.

"As soon as I go home, I'm right back on my computer."

Crimmins also is returning to his animation and video roots, and has "done some amazing DVDs" with faculty.

One of Crimmins' favorites chronicled Anne Tapp and education students working with NASA. He also produced a video tribute to the late Sally Edgerton-Netke and finished a few of her projects.

"People would watch those and cry," he said. "I feel I did a good job if I can bring out that emotion in them."

A 10-minute video usually requires six to eight hours to produce, but for Crimmins, it's a labor of love.

"I like to be creative."



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**REGULAR FORMAL SESSIONS AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS SCHEDULE
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Regular Formal Sessions will be held in the Board of Control Room, Third Floor, Wickes Hall

Day	Date	Type of Meeting	Time
Monday	August 18, 2008	Regular Formal Session	1:30 p.m.
Monday	August 18, 2008	Commencement	7:30 p.m.
Monday	September 8, 2008	Committees	1:30 p.m.
Monday	October 13, 2008	Regular Formal Session	1:30 p.m.
Friday	December 12, 2008	Regular Formal Session	1:30 p.m.
Friday	December 12, 2008	Commencement	7:30 p.m.
Monday	February 9, 2009	Regular Formal Session	1:30 p.m.
Saturday	May 9, 2009	Regular Formal Session	9:00 a.m.
Saturday	May 9, 2009	Commencement	1:30 p.m.
Monday	June 8, 2009	Retreat	9:00 a.m.
Monday	June 8, 2009	Regular Formal Session	1:30 p.m.

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