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AGENDA
SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF CONTROL
REGULAR FORMAL SESSION
Board of Control Room, Third Floor Wickes Hall
May 7, 2011 @ 9:00 a.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. PROCEDURAL ITEMS
 - A. Approval of Agenda and Additions to and Deletions from Agenda
 - B. Approval of Minutes of February 7, 2011 Regular Formal Session
 - C. Recognition of the Official Representative of the Faculty Association
 - D. Communications and Requests to Appear before the Board
Staff Member of the Month (April): Kristine Roethlisberger
- III. ACTION ITEMS
 1. Resolution to Thank Julie Boon and the Elected Representatives for Their Service as Student Association Members
 2. Resolution to Congratulate Ted Goodman and Representatives of the Student Association on Their Election
 3. Resolution to Grant Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees
 4. Report of Nominating Committee and Resolution to Elect Officers of the Board of Control
 5. Motion to Establish Board of Control Calendar for 2011-2012
 6. Resolution to Extend Wolverine Power Marketing Cooperative Electricity Contract
 7. Resolution to Approve Natural Gas Purchase Agreements
 8. Resolution to Approve Degree for Master of Science in Energy and Materials
- IV. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS
- V. REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
- VI. OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION OR ACTION
 9. Motion to Move to Informal Session to Discuss Collective Bargaining
- VII. ADJOURNMENT
 10. Motion to Adjourn

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MINUTES
BOARD OF CONTROL
Regular Formal Session
May 7, 2011
1:30 p.m.

Board of Control Room, Third Floor Wickes Hall

Present: Abbs, D.
Ferguson, C.
Gamez, D.
Gilbertson, E.
Karu, K.P.
Martin, J.
Sedrowski, L.
Wilson, L.
Yantz, J.

Others

Present:

Bachand, D.	Madiwalar, S.
Bethune, A	Mudd, B.
Boehm, J.	Muladore, J.
Boon, J.	Pratt, R.
Brandimore, M.	Ramet, C.
Dome, C.	Roethlisberger, K.
Goodman, T.	Rousseau, J.
Hamilton, E.	Savita, S.
Huntley, D.	Thorns, M.
Kowaleski, M.	Westendorf, M.
Lane, R.	

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Karu called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

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 7, 2011 Regular Formal Session of the Board of Control

It was moved and supported that the minutes of the February 7, 2011 Regular Formal Session of the Board of Control be approved.

The minutes were unanimously APPROVED as written.

C. Recognition of Official Representative of the Faculty Association

Professor Robert Lane, President of the Faculty Association, stated, “Commencement is always a good day. . . . When I see the young people enter and walk across the stage, I am hopeful and optimistic because I know that many of them are hardworking individuals.” Professor Lane remarked that many of us in the boardroom today are representatives of the University and it is important that the graduating students realize that they too are ambassadors of this institution and that they take a part of SVSU with them when they go.

D. Communications and Requests to Appear Before the Board

Kristine Roethlisberger, Staff Member of the Month for April, was introduced to the Board. (See Appendix One: Roethlisberger.)

Dr. Robert Pratt, Associate Professor of Teacher Education, introduced Sheela Kumari Madiwalar and Savita Shivappa Lembi from Kittur School in India. Ms. Kumari is a Social Studies Instructor who has been at Kittur School for 12 years and Ms. Lembi is a Physical

Education Instructor who is in her sixth year at Kittur School.

Dr. Pratt informed the Board that this is the fourth year of the India exchange program. In June, four SVSU students, two SVSU faculty, and two teachers from Carrollton Public Schools will be traveling to India for a three-week visit to work with teachers and students at Kittur School in India.

III. ACTION ITEMS

1. Resolution to Thank Julie Boon and the Elected Representatives for Their Service as Student Association Members

RES-1915 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

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

WHEREAS, Julie Boon and the elected representatives listed below served students and the University with dedication during the 2010-2011 academic year;

President

Julie Boon

Representatives

Danielle Burelle

Nick Byard

Daniel Chapman

Jasmine Charlton

Marcus Cooper

Eric Curtis

Michael DeKuiper

Joshua Fleming

Bethany Freer

Jordan Garland

Jacquelyn Gibson

Cassandra Gilkey

Tatum Goldufsky

Angela Grimaldi

Jeremy Jones

Mary Justice

Michael Kerkau

Justin Kokkinis

Ashley Kraft

Devon Perdue

Megan Potts

Caitlin Powell

Yunjiao Shanguan

Christopher Silverthorn

Summer Tanner

Jennora Walker

Kevin Warren

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University formally express its appreciation to Julie Boon 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 Ms. Boon and the representatives for continued academic and future professional success.

President Gilbertson remarked that Ms. Boon and the entire Student Association have represented the University well. President Gilbertson noted that this group was very successful in raising monies for the Battle of Valleys and Relay for Life over the past year. He also stated, "It was not only the money that was raised, but the good spirit that went into raising it. . . . You and all of your colleagues have our sincere thanks."

Chairman Karu offered his appreciation and thanks on behalf of the Board.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

2. Resolution to Congratulate Ted Goodman and Representatives of the Student Association on Their Election

RES-1916 **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 2011-2012;

President

Ted Goodman

Representatives

Julie Boon

Danielle Burelle

Nick Byard

Daniel Chapman

Jasmine Charlton

Jordan Garland

Jacquelyn Gibson

Cassandra Gilkey

Tatum Goldufsky

Jeremy Jones

Mary Justice

Michael Kerkau

Justin Kokkinis

Devon Perdue

Megan Potts

Christopher Silverthorn

Summer Tanner

Jennora Walker

Kevin Warren

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.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

3. Resolution to Grant Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees

RES-1917 **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 approves the awarding of undergraduate and graduate degrees at the May 7, 2011 Commencement as certified by the faculty and Registrar.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

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

RES-1918 **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 Dr. Karu, Leola Wilson, and Jerome Yantz submit for election the following slate of officers of the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control for 2011-2012.

Chair:	David Abbs
Vice Chair:	Jeffrey Martin
Secretary:	Leola Wilson
Treasurer:	Cathy Ferguson

Chairman Karu stated that the Nominating Committee would like to submit the slate of officers listed in Resolution 1918, to serve during 2010-2011.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

5. Motion to Establish Board of Control Calendar for 2011-2012

BM-1111 **It was moved and supported that the attached Board of Control calendar for 2011-2012 be adopted. (See Appendix Two: Calendar)**

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

6. Resolution to Extend Wolverine Power Marketing Cooperative Electricity Contract

RES-1919 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, The Board of Control previously authorized an Electric Sales Agreement with Wolverine Power Marketing Cooperative (WPMC) through December 31, 2013; and,

WHEREAS, WPMC is offering the possibility of a further contract extension for SVSU should favorable market conditions develop;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the President or the Executive Vice President for Administration and Business Affairs is authorized to extend the present Electric Sales Agreement with WPMC to December 31, 2016.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

7. Resolution to Approve Natural Gas Purchase Agreements

RES-1920 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, The SVSU currently has a natural gas supply agreement with the State of Michigan; and,

WHEREAS, The University is discussing options with the State of Michigan to purchase natural gas supplies for future periods at favorable market rates;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the President and/or the Executive Vice President for Administration & Business Affairs be authorized to enter into natural gas purchase contracts with the State of Michigan or other suppliers for the period ending December 31, 2016.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

(Trustee Wilson joined the meeting at 9:25 a.m.)

8. Resolution to Approve Degree for Master of Science in Energy Materials

RES-1921 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, the University Graduate Committee unanimously endorsed the interdisciplinary proposal from the Departments of Mechanical Engineering, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Chemistry, and Physics, at its meeting of February 18, 2011 and at the March 17, 2011 curriculum ratification meeting, and

WHEREAS energy fields - including alternative sources, storage, utilization and grid technology- are important and growing employment sectors in our region as well as globally, and

WHEREAS it is crucial to the University to maintain and develop current and relevant programs, in rapidly advancing scientific and technological disciplines, to benefit both our students and our region,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Master of Science in Energy and Materials program be approved for implementation in Fall semester of the 2011-2012 academic year, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT, the faculty in the College of Science, Engineering and Technology, be commended for their creative and timely response to the demand for this interdisciplinary program.

President Gilbertson noted that one of the retained powers of the Board is to improve degree programs of this institution. Resolution 1921 is a substitution of a program that has gone dormant.

Dr. Deborah Huntley, Dean of the College of Science, Engineering & Technology, stated that she was pleased and excited to introduce a new program that the College of Science, Engineering and Technology has spent roughly the last 15 months developing. Dean Huntley stated, "It is no secret that energy is becoming a key technical area in this region and certainly nationally and internationally. In alignment with the University's mission and strategic plan, we set out to enhance and expand our programs to meet the needs of our region. We have developed then a Master's of Science in Energy and Materials."

Dean Huntley noted that this program is replacing an older master's program that the University ran from 1998 to 2004, which was the Master's of Science in Technological Processes. The Master's of Science in Technological Processes program is no longer offered and has not been offered since 2004. The program was targeted toward working professionals largely in the manufacturing area and it was cancelled in 2004 due to declining enrollment.

Dean Huntley noted that the Master's of Science in Energy and Materials was approved by the Graduate Committee on February 18th, 2011, and was ratified unanimously by the full faculty at the annual ratification meeting on March 17th, 2011.

Trustee Sedrowski asked how many students the University could foresee in the program at one time. Dr. Huntley replied that the program would start a little slowly because it is still in the early stages of implementation. Ideally, she would like to see enrollment between 60-70 students annually.

Trustee Martin asked if there is any other program of this kind at any of the Universities in Michigan. Dean Huntley replied that there is not another program like this. However, there are some masters degree programs in energy engineering but certainly not north of I69 and not with this interdisciplinary approach.

Trustee Sedrowski asked what kind of financial commitment would be necessary to implement this program. Dean Huntley responded that the financial aspects were worked through with President Gilbertson, the breakeven point initially is 15 students, and five classes will be offered in the first year. From a financially standpoint, additional classes will be offered as more students enroll in the program.

Trustee Sedrowski asked whether the new program would necessitate any new faculty hires. Dean Huntley replied that the University has the faculty in place that we need right now.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

IV. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no Information and Discussion Items on the agenda.

V. REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

President Gilbertson noted that this afternoon's commencement would be the largest ever, with 781 graduates participating in the ceremony.

VI. OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION OR ACTION

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

BM-1112 **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 9:45 a.m. and reconvened in Regular Formal Session at 10:24 a.m. with Board members, Abbs, Ferguson, Gamez, Karu, Martin, Sedrowski, Wilson and Yantz in attendance. Also present were President Gilbertson, Dr. Carlos Ramet, Dr. Donald Bachand, James Muladore and Mary Kowaleski.

II. ADJOURNMENT

10. Motion to Adjourn

BM-1113 **It was moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned.**

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

K.P. Karunakaran, M.D.
Chairman

Lawrence E. Sedrowski
Secretary

Mary A. Kowaleski
Recording Secretary