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REGULAR FORMAL SESSION
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BOARD OF CONTROL
Regular Formal Session
August 20, 2007
1:30 p.m.

Board of Control Room, Third Floor Wickes Hall

Present: Abbs
Braun
Gamez
Gilbertson
Karu
Law
Sedrowski
Wilson

Absent: Yantz

Others

Present: D. Bachand
L. Beuthin
J. Boehm
E. Boles
M. Engel
E. Hamilton
M. Hedberg
D. Irish
N. Irish
H. Leaver
R. Maurovich
J. Muladore
M. Peretz
C. Ramet
R. Schooks
C. Schweitzer
J. Stanghini
J. Stanley
G. Thompson
R. Thompson
M. Thorns
Press

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gamez called the meeting to order at 1:38 p.m. with Trustees Braun, Karu, Law, Sedrowski, and Wilson in attendance. He noted that a quorum was present.

II. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

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

There were no additions to or deletions from the agenda.

The agenda was APPROVED as distributed.

B. Approval of Minutes of June 11, 2007 Regular Formal Session and July 27, 2007 Special Formal Session of the Board of Control

It was moved and supported that the minutes of the June 11, 2007 Regular Formal Session and the July 27, 2007 Special Formal Session of the Board of Control be approved.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

C. Recognition of the Official Representative of the Faculty Association

Professor Gary Thompson, President of the Faculty Association, introduced Dr. Elson Boles, incoming Vice President of the Faculty Association.

D. Communications and Requests to Appear Before the Board

Robert Schooks, Staff Member of the Month for July, and Maureen Engel, Staff Member of the Month for August, were presented to the Board. (See Appendix One: Schooks, and Appendix Two: Engel.)

III. ACTION ITEMS

1. Resolution to Grant Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees

RES-1749 **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 August 20, 2007 Commencement as certified by the faculty and Registrar.

President Gilbertson noted that Trustee Braun would be the speaker at tonight's Commencement ceremony.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

2. Resolution to Grant Approval to Seek Accreditation for SVSU Music Program

RES-1750 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, Accreditation by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM) would provide public recognition of the quality and distinctiveness of the SVSU Music Department; and

WHEREAS, The Music Department already meets Michigan Department of Education requirements, which are aligned with NASM standards, as attested in the last program approval cycle; and

WHEREAS, The status afforded to the Music Department through NASM accreditation would facilitate ongoing program improvement; and

WHEREAS, NASM accreditation would allow Music Department faculty opportunities to participate in the development of music program standards at the State and National levels.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University authorize the Music Department of the College of Arts & Behavioral Sciences to proceed with efforts to obtain NASM accreditation.

Dr. Marc Peretz, Professor of Music, told the Board that the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM) is the accrediting agency for schools of music across the nation. There are

currently 18 members in the State of Michigan. NASM sets standards for music education programs across the country; the Michigan Department of Education utilizes those same standards, which SVSU is already required to meet. If SVSU were a member of NASM, we would have an opportunity to contribute to discussion about the establishment of such standards, both in the State and Nation.

The initial accreditation is for five years; subsequent accreditations are for ten years.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

3. Resolution to Adopt Proposed Amendment to the Charter of the Saginaw Valley State University Student Association

RES-1751 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, It has been determined that recent changes to the Charter of the Saginaw Valley State University Student Association allowing for freshmen to serve as representatives require an additional amendment in the interest of effective student government; and

WHEREAS, The Student Association Charter currently stipulates that no person shall be elected or appointed to any elective office within the Student Association more than three times, which may include two times as President; and

WHEREAS, Serving on the Student Association as a freshman should not prevent a student from serving as a senior; and

WHEREAS, The proposed amendment to the Student Association Charter granting four years of eligibility rather than three years of eligibility for elected or appointed office on the Student Association was approved by members of the Student Association as well as by the student body of the University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That Section five of Article III of the Student Association Charter be amended to read: “No person shall be elected to the Office of President more than twice; no person shall be elected or appointed to any elective Office within the Student Association more than four times. Elective office shall be defined as the position of Representative or President.”

Jeremiah Stanghini, President of the Student Association, told the Board that the current

Student Association Charter allows students to serve in the Association for a maximum of three years. The proposed amendment would increase this to four years.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

4) Resolution to Grant Emeritus Status to Dale T. Irish

RES-1752 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, Saginaw Valley State University grants emeritus/emerita status to retiring faculty/administrators who have served the University with distinction; and

WHEREAS, Dale T. Irish's career at SVSU began in 1980 as the University's Director of Business and Auxiliary Services; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Irish has made significant contributions to SVSU's business practices, particularly in the areas of auxiliary services, risk management, purchasing practices, vendor relationships, and telecommunications; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Irish has demonstrated commitment and loyalty not only to SVSU but also to his profession by serving on the Michigan Universities Self-Insurance Corporation and the Wolverine Power Marketing Corporation Board; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Irish retired from SVSU in August after more than twenty-six years of dedicated professionalism.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University gratefully acknowledge Dale T. Irish's exemplary service and dedication to the University and bestow upon him the title of "Director of Business and Auxiliary Services Emeritus," with all the rights and privileges appertaining to this distinction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be framed and presented to Mr. Irish as a permanent expression of the University's appreciation.

James Muladore, Vice President for Administration and Business Affairs, stated: "Dale and I have known each other all the twenty-six years he has worked here. He has become a very trusted advisor to me. . . . Dale has a history of many outstanding accomplishments in the University, as well as in his profession outside of campus. He is involved in many businesses that are well known in the campus community. . . . He is continually working to find more efficient ways to conduct

University business. . . . Dale and I also sat side-by-side for many years at Cardinal basketball games as officials. He was the “Voice of the Cardinals” and also the score keeper. It’s really difficult to see someone of Dale’s character and skills leaving the institution. It’s a great loss for us, and we’ll miss him. Also, I should point out that Dale’s wife is here in the audience. She also retired this summer from teaching at a high school in Saginaw. They are free to roam the countryside and not have to worry about coming in to work. Thank you very much, Dale, for all you’ve done for SVSU.”

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

5. Resolution to Grant Emeritus Status to Dr. Mason Wang

RES-1753 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, Saginaw Valley State University grants emeritus/emerita status to retiring faculty/administrators who have served the University with distinction; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mason Wang joined the faculty at Saginaw Valley State University in 1969 and was Professor of English until his retirement in June 2007; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wang is highly regarded by his colleagues and students for his high standards and dedication to teaching; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wang served as Chairperson for the Department of English from 1974-1978 and represented Saginaw Valley State University as a Visiting Professor and Guest Lecturer numerous times in the People’s Republic of China and in Japan. Dr. Wang has also been actively involved in university service throughout his career; and

WHEREAS, In addition to Dr. Wang’s teaching and administrative duties at the University, he has been active professionally in organizations in his field.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University gratefully acknowledge Dr. Wang’s exemplary service and dedication to the University and bestow upon him the title of “Professor Emeritus” with all the rights and privileges appertaining to this distinction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be framed and presented to Dr. Mason Wang as a permanent expression of the University’s appreciation.

President Gilbertson noted that Professor Wang is one of SVSU longest serving colleagues,

having joined the fledgling College in 1969 – thirty-eight years ago. He risked his career on what was by no means a certainty at that time. He served the institution and its students very well.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

6. Resolution to Grant Emeritus Status to Dr. Robert S.P. Yien

RES-1754 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, Saginaw Valley State University grants emeritus/emerita status to retiring faculty/administrators who have served the University with distinction; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert S.P. Yien joined the institution as a faculty member in 1970. Highly regarded by his students and colleagues for his teaching, he was the recipient of the prestigious Franc A. Landee Teaching Excellence Award in 1973; and

WHEREAS Dr. Robert S.P. Yien held various administrative positions prior to becoming Vice President for Academic Affairs in 1978. He then served as the University's chief academic officer for an unprecedented twenty-seven years. His contributions and leadership provided the basis for Saginaw Valley State University's comprehensive curriculum and international program development; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his teaching and administrative duties at the University, Dr. Yien has been active professionally at the regional, national, and international level. Through all of his activities, he has played a central role in the growth and development of Saginaw Valley State University during his distinguished thirty-seven years of service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University gratefully acknowledge Dr. Yien's exemplary service and dedication to the University and bestow upon him the title of "Vice President Emeritus for Academic Affairs," with all the rights and privileges appertaining to this distinction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be framed and presented to Dr. Robert S.P. Yien as a permanent expression of the University's appreciation.

President Gilbertson noted that several events were recently held to honor Dr. Yien, who served the institution so well over thirty-seven years. Dr. Yien and Dr. Wang are owed a great deal for their part in the development of Saginaw Valley State University.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

(Trustee Abbs joined the meeting at 2:02 p.m.)

IV. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. **Report on New Faculty Hires**

Dr. Donald Bachand, Vice President for Academic Affairs, reported on new faculty hires for the fall 2007 semester. He noted that some of the hires will be replacements for faculty on sabbatical or medical leave. Because of the enormous growth in demand for various courses, it was necessary to add a number of temporary positions while a determination is made as to whether there is a long-term need for these positions on a permanent basis. (See Appendix Three: Faculty Hires)

8. **Report on Davis Road Project**

Mr. Muladore told the Board that the University now owns the half-mile portion of Davis Road that runs through campus (from Pierce Road to College Drive). The City of Saginaw will replace the high pressure water line that lies under the road, which was constructed in 1946. Once that project is completed, resurfacing of the road, landscaping of the area, and the installation of sidewalks will begin. For purposes of safety, the speed limit in this area will be lowered from 45 to 25 miles per hour. It is hoped that the roadway will be finished by the beginning of fall 2008.

V. REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

President Gilbertson told the Board that classes will begin a week from today. The University is just about fully staffed, and the capital projects are almost completed. The new Pioneer Hall is finished and a Grand Re-Opening Celebration will take place on September 10th. Student housing was completed on time, and the furniture has been moved in. Housing on campus is slightly

oversubscribed and enrollments are strong.

President Gilbertson also noted that Abou Traore, 23, an international student from Senegal, drowned in a tragic accident while tubing on the Rifle River on August 18th with other resident assistants. Dr. Gilbertson said that Abou was a remarkable young man. He was a biology major who planned on returning to Senegal as a doctor and was a caring, dedicated student who touched many lives while here on campus. A memorial service for him was held in Founders Hall.

President Gilbertson announced that Lucille Beuthin, Vice President for Public Affairs and Executive Director of Development and the SVSU Foundation, has resigned effective September 12th. He thanked her for her work and wished her luck both professionally and personally.

VI. OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION OR ACTION

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

BM-1061 **It was moved and supported that the Board move to Informal Session to Discuss Collective Bargaining.**

Trustee Abbs	yes
Trustee Braun	yes
Trustee Gamez	yes
Trustee Karu	yes
Trustee Law	yes
Trustee Sedrowski	yes
Trustee Wilson	yes

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

The Board moved to Informal Session at 2:17 p.m. and reconvened in Regular Formal Session at 2:45 p.m.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

10. Motion to Adjourn

BM-1062 **It was moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned.**

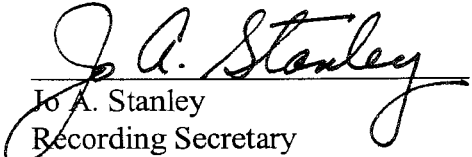
The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

David R. Gamez
Chairman

Lawrence E. Sedrowski
Secretary



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

STAFF MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Robert Schooks

Director of the Center for Manufacturing Improvement • July 2007

It is common knowledge that these are tough times for Michigan manufacturers. For Bob Schooks, that makes this an especially interesting time to apply his uncommon knowledge to improve their operations.

"My big advantage is my multi-industry experience," he said, having worked in several fields during a career that has taken him from California to New Hampshire since starting as a pattern-maker apprentice more than 40 years ago.

"I can walk into almost any manufacturing company in our area and know exactly how well they're doing, or conversely how much help they need. The problems they experience are things I've had contact with, so it's easy for me to see what they're doing either right or wrong."

Partner companies can complete a full performance benchmarking survey or an abbreviated version that includes 12 performance indexes to measure themselves against like companies.

"When I was in the manufacturing business, I would have killed for this type of report," Schooks said.

His biggest frustration comes from the small percentage of companies who won't take the time to get that information, but he finds gratification when manufacturers succeed, such as Aircraft Precision Products in Ithaca, an aircraft engine component manufacturer that was faced with losing half of its business.

"With the implementation of lean manufacturing systems, activity-based costing and customer diversification, they were able to not only recover that lost business, but are now one of the leading component manufacturers for General Electric and recently signed a contract with Rolls Royce."

This fall Schooks and George Puia, Dow Chemical Co. chair in global business, are hosting a series of workshops to help Michigan manufacturers overcome their ignorance and fear of international markets.

Away from work, Schooks describes himself as someone who "used to be quite an outdoorsman" hunting elk, deer and antelope in Wyoming. Though still an "active shooter," these days he lists tamer pursuits such as going to the theater with his wife Lucinda.

Two years into his tenure at SVSU, Schooks likes his work.

"This is really a very interesting job," he said. "I enjoy being at SVSU more than any other job I've had in my career. It's a wonderful institution."

His top goal: to increase the number of companies who take advantage of what the Center for Manufacturing Improvement has to offer.

"I have the time and the resources; I want more to come to the party."



STAFF MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Maureen Engel

Administrative Assistant, Academic Affairs • August 2007

Maureen Engel knows how to keep a secret. After dating for 15 years, she and new husband Kip decided to get married this summer, but despite picking a date back in February, they kept everyone in the dark, including friends and family.

"Even the people we had for witnesses didn't know until two weeks before. We wanted something small and quiet," Engel explained. "Plus Kip and I knew that not all of our kids would be able to be there, so we decided to have none of them."

In her job, Engel relies upon her pleasant demeanor and draws upon the knowledge gained from working at the same institution for 23 years.

"I'm an information person," she said, "and I know who you can count on. So many people here have been supportive; hopefully I've been the same to them."

Engel makes no secret of how she feels about her job. "It's been a joy working here," she said.

Engel previously worked in the dean's office for the College of Arts & Behavioral Sciences. Interacting with students and faculty was more common in that environment – something she misses – but she has no complaints about being reunited with Don Bachand when he moved to the vice president's post from the dean's office.

"A lot of things are handled the same way," she said.

Engel has enjoyed "all the offices and all the people" she has worked with at SVSU, and she also appreciates other aspects of university life, including international travel, having accompanied choirs overseas four times. After the most recent trip, she returned with a tapestry from Tokushima, Japan that now hangs behind her desk. Most observers are curious as to its origin ... but not all.

"(Former vice president for academic affairs) Dr. (Robert) Yien knew right away where it was from," she said.

The tapestry will soon be joined by an SVSU photo collage that Kip purchased at an art fair in Fort Wayne, Ind.

While Engel is disappointed that "Wickes Hall isn't in there," she says the artwork is symbolic of the university's growth and its expanding reach and reputation.

"These days when I'm outside the state, I run into a lot of people who know about SVSU."

Engel is "very seldom home," traveling to visit her sons in Kalamazoo and New York and a sister in Toledo, as well as Kip, who still resides in Indiana, at least for the time being.

"I'll probably need new tires again this year," she quipped.



College of Business & Management

Accounting	Kevin Jajo*	MS	Walsh College	Davenport University / CPA
Economics	Arif Sultan	PhD	Wayne State Univ	Sobey School of Business St. Mary's University, Canada
Intl Guest Scholar	Hyejung Chang		Kyung Hee University	Seoul, South Korea

College of Education

TE: Mid/Sec	Myra Fall	EdD	Central Michigan Univ	Concordia Univ-Ann Arbor
TE: Elem	Lisa Midcalf*	ABD	Oakland Univ	Oakland University
TE: Elem	Tierra Tivis	ABD	Univ of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign	Univ of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign

CML College of Nursing & Health Sciences

Health Science	Rene Hernandez	MS	Central Michigan Univ	Central Michigan Univ
Nursing	Peggy Bruns-Hahn*	MSN	Saginaw Valley State Univ	Covenant Hospital, SVSU/Delta – adjunct
Nursing	Jaime Huffman	MSN	Saginaw Valley State Univ	Hurley Medical Center, SVSU – past 1 yr temp
Occupational Therapy	Timothy Blasius	MOT	Western Michigan Univ	Sanilac Intermediate Schools
Executive-in-Residence for Health Science	Frederic Fraitzer	MA	Central Michigan Univ	retired – Robertson Research Institute, St. Mary's Medical Center

College of Science, Engineering & Technology

Biology	Plammoottil Cherian*	PhD	Indiana State Univ	SVSU – past 1 yr temp
Biology	Lamis Jarvinen*	PhD	Dartmouth Medical School	University of Michigan
Chemistry	Joseph Ceraso*	PhD	Michigan State Univ	The Dow Chemical Company
Chemistry	Stephen Froelicher*	PhD	Purdue Univ	SVSU – past 1 yr temp
Chemistry	Edward Meisel*	MEd	Saginaw Valley State Univ	SVSU – past 1 yr temp
Math	Meghan Cherry*	MSE	University of Michigan	SVSU – past 1 yr temp
Math	William Vautaw	PhD	Michigan State Univ	Southeastern Louisiana Univ
Spicer Endowed Chair in Engineering	Alan Freed	PhD	Univ of Wisconsin-Madison	NASA – John H. Glenn Research Center at Lewis Field

* One year temporary appointment! ** One semester temporary appointment

SVSU Welcomes New Faculty for Fall 2007

Department	Name	Rank	Degree	Degree From	Came From
College of Arts & Behavioral Sciences					
Art	J. Blake Johnson	Asst	MFA	Univ of Idaho	Univ of Idaho
Art	David Littell*	Instr	MFA	Cranbrook Academy of Art	SVSU Gallery Director
Communication	Charlotte Glesner*	Instr	MA	Central Michigan Univ	SVSU – past 1 year temp
Communication	Diana Trebing	Asst	ABD	Southern Illinois Univ-Carbondale	Southern Illinois Univ-Carbondale
Criminal Justice	D. Burk Foster*	Prof	MA	Univ of Oklahoma	SVSU – past 1 year temp
Criminal Justice	Joseph Jaksa*	Instr	ABD	Oakland University	SVSU adjunct
English	Holly Bird	Instr	MA	Central Michigan Univ	SVSU/Delta adjunct faculty
English	Geoffrey Carter	Asst	PhD	Purdue Univ	Purdue University
English	Bradley Herzog	Asst	PhD	Texas Christian Univ	Southern Arkansas Univ
English	Elisabeth Jorgensen	Asst	PhD	Iowa State Univ	Simpson College (Indianola, IO)
English	Timothy Kenyon*	Instr	MFA	Goddard College	SVSU /Delta adjunct faculty
English	Cecil Owens*	Instr	ME	Central Michigan Univ	Central Michigan Univ
English	Susan Plachta*	Instr	MA	Central Michigan Univ	SVSU/Delta adjunct faculty
English	Diane Saylor**	Instr	MA	Michigan State Univ	SVSU - adjunct
			MS	Western Michigan Univ	
Hist/Geography	Jules Gehrke	Asst	PhD	Univ of Minnesota	University of Minnesota
Hist/Geography	Sara Beth Keough	Asst	ABD	Univ of Tennessee	University of Tennessee
Hist/Geography	Joel Lewis*	Instr	PhD	Central Michigan Univ/ Univ of Strathclyde	Central Michigan University
Hist/Geography (Visiting)	John Mullins*	Asst	PhD	Univ of Kentucky	SVSU – past 1 yr temp
Political Science	Pam Edwards-Ham	Asst	PhD	Univ of Maryland - College Park	Delta College
Political Science	John Kaczynski	Instr	MPA	Central Michigan Univ	SVSU adjunct
Political Science	Julie Keil*	Instr	JD	Univ of Oregon	SVSU adjunct
Psychology	Nykola Bartkiw*	Intr	PhD	Heed Univ, Hollywood, FL	Retired, Genesee County Community Mental Health Services – past 1 yr temp
Social Work	Mark Giesler	Asst	ABD	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Monroe County Community College
Sociology	Donald Ricker*	Instr	MA	Univ of Houston	Mott Community College – past 1 yr temp
Fulbright Scholar (Guest)	Zakariya Al-Sheibani, from Oman				