



SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

***BOARD OF CONTROL MINUTES
REGULAR FORMAL SESSION***

JUNE 19, 2023

SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF CONTROL
Minutes of the Regular Formal Session
Monday, June 19, 2023
1:30 p.m.

A regular formal session of the Board of Control was held on Monday, June 19, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. in Wickes Hall, Room 350.

Trustees present:

John D. Cherry, Jr.
JoAnn Crary
Lindsay Eggers, Treasurer
Vanessa Guerra
Bhushan Kulkarni
Vicki Rupp, Chair
Raj Wiener, Vice Chair
Carl Williams
George Grant Jr., Ex Officio

Trustees absent:

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BOARD OF CONTROL MINUTES
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I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rupp called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

II. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

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

There were no additions and/or deletions to the agenda.

The agenda was unanimously APPROVED as distributed.

B. Approval of the Board Minutes from the Regular Formal Session on May 4, 2023

It was moved and supported that the minutes of May 4, 2023, Regular Formal Session be approved.

The minutes were unanimously APPROVED as distributed.

C. Communications and Request to Appear Before the Board

Dr. Brandon Haskett, president of the Faculty Association, thanked the faculty and the administrative negotiation teams for their work toward the next faculty contract. Dr. Haskett commented, "It is always a great process to go through, and you can constructively talk through whatever issues are going on at the university and work towards a resolution for the betterment of you and our students." He stated that it is always a nice reflective thing to go through and think about why it is that we're such a special place.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Resolution to Approve Faculty Promotions Effective July 1, 2023

RES-2489 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, 2023.

Rank of Associate Professor
Teresa Coker
Judith Cox
Mindy Fabbro
Jadallah Jadallah
Merrick Lincoln

**Avishek Mukherjee
Jennifer Scott
Tommy Wedge**

Rank of Professor

**Veronika Drake
Daniel Gates
Jules Gehrke
Rosina Hassoun
James Hitt
Julie Keil
Natalia Knoblock
Stacie Krupp
Kimberly Lacey
Catherine Macomber
Elizabeth Pierce
Khandaker Abir Rahman
Sheruni Ratnabalasuriar
Timothy Rowlands
Adam Warhausen**

**Renewal as Harvey Randall Wickes Endowed Professor
Joseph Ofori-Dankwa**

Dr. Deborah Huntley, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs noted that eight faculty are being recommended by the Professional Practices Committee to be promoted from assistant professor to associate, fifteen that are being recommended for promotion from associate to full professor, and one endowed professor who is getting a five-year renewal of his endowed professor contract. She explained that all these recommendations come to you with the full support of the Professional Practices Committee. She stated that these individuals represent four of the five colleges, and the Professional Practices Committee proudly recommends all of these candidates to you.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

2. Resolution to Approve Confirmation of Board Members for Previously Authorized Public School Academies

RES-2490 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control, the school's authorizing agent, requires that the University Chartered School Board of Directors have a minimum of five members and a maximum of nine members; and

WHEREAS, individual charter schools have a desire to replace Board members who have submitted their resignation; and

WHEREAS, certain charter schools have the desire to have parents of students represented on their Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, certain Charter Schools desire to reappoint a board member whose term of office has expired.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the individuals listed below be appointed by the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control as new members of the Board of Directors of the following Charter Schools:

Branch Line School, Livonia

Shinese Johnson Appointment Term Ends: 6/30/2024

Ms. Johnson has been a school teacher and administrator for over 20 years in various school districts. She has served 25 years as a volunteer for the Detroit Police Athletic League, CEO and Educational Consultant for the MEC Group, Crisis Training Workshop Virtual Trainer for Vanderbilt University, and a Professional Development Facilitator. She currently serves as the Program Coordinator for the Black Caucus Foundation of Michigan. Ms. Johnson brings extensive experience in education to the academy board.

Elayna Moore Appointment Term Ends: 6/30/2026

Ms. Moore earned her Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies and Master of Business Education from Marylhurst University of Oregon. She owns and operates her business as a coach/consultant partnering with BetterUp, GrowthSpace, Altus Growth & StepChange. Ms. Moore's expertise in transformational coaching communication strategy, change leadership, and project management has been an asset to the academy board.

Anne Skislak Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

Michelle Williams Appointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2025

Dr. Michelle Williams is a multifaceted professional dedicated to inspiring and empowering others. As an accomplished educator, designer, author, and lead developer, Dr. Williams is well-versed in various fields, including education, fashion illustration and design, and electronics technology. Her expertise and passion for these areas are reflected in the many books and educational manuals she has written, as well as her widely read blog posts on arts, learning, and leadership.

Cesar Chavez Academy, Detroit

Antonio Mora-Mills Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

Chandler Park Academy, Detroit

Carlitta Cabell Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

Kathleen Armstrong Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

Chatfield School, Lapeer

Catherine Amboy Appointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

Ms. Amboy earned her Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, a master's in adult and continuing education, and a second master's in English from the University of Michigan. She currently serves as an English teacher at Mott Community College. As a retired administrator at the Lapeer ISD, Ms. Amboy brings 40 years of experience in education at all levels to the academy board.

Kathryn Poniatowski Appointment Term Ends: 6/30/2025

Ms. Poniatowski currently serves as the deputy treasurer and the chair/vice chair of the planning commission of Arcadia Township. She has three children that currently attend the academy. Ms. Poniatowski's experience with boards and her invested dedication to the school will be an asset to the Academy.

Erin Viers Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

Faxon Academy, Farmington Hills

Wyatt Jones Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

Flat River Academy, Greenville

Jason Olvera Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

James Popma Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

Naomi Smith Appointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2024

Ms. Smith earned her cosmetology license at Douglas J. Aveda Institute of Grand Rapids. Currently, she stays home to raise her children. Ms. Smith is passionate about the whole child (mental, emotional, academic) and would count it an honor to be a part of the decision-making board at the Academy.

Kammie Whitten Appointment Term: 6/30/2025

Ms. Whitten earned her Associate of Applied Science in dental hygiene from Ferris State University. She currently serves as a registered dental hygienist at a practice in Greenville. Ms. Whitten brings effective communication and organizational skills to the Academy board.

Kingsbury Country Day School, Oxford

Jeffery Driscoll ***Appointment*** ***Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026***

Mr. Driscoll earned his Bachelor of Science in professional chemistry from Eastern Michigan University and his master's and Ph.D. in inorganic chemistry from Wayne State University. He currently serves as a foreign intelligence officer for the Department of Defense. Mr. Driscoll brings extensive leadership, personnel management, and problem-solving skills to the Academy board.

Michael Easlick ***Appointment*** ***Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026***

Mr. Easlick earned his Bachelor of Science in engineering technology from Ferris State University. He currently serves as the senior program & business development manager of Bridgestone Americas, Inc. of Nashville, Tennessee. Mr. Easlick will bring a strong collaborative and communication-based skillset to the Academy board.

James Lustig ***Reappointment*** ***Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026***

Landmark Academy, Kimball

Kimberly Bowman ***Reappointment*** ***Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026***

Merritt Academy, New Haven

Jean Dery ***Reappointment*** ***Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026***

Michael Broyles ***Appointment*** ***Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026***

Mr. Broyles earned his bachelor's in history and biology from Oakland University and his master's in teaching from Wayne State University. He went on to earn another master's in history from Oakland University. He currently serves as a history professor at Macomb Community College. Mr. Broyles has worked in education for 32 years at the high school and college level and has extensive experience in curriculum matters at both levels.

New Dawn Academy, Sterling Heights

Suhaib Almkhtar ***Reappointment*** ***Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026***

Abanoub Attya ***Appointment*** ***Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2025***

Mr. Attya earned a bachelor's and master's degree in electrical engineering from Oakland University. He currently serves as an electrical engineer for Nissan of Farmington Hills. Mr. Attya believes his skills in management, communication and problem-solving will be an asset to the Academy board.

Sakenah Hamdi ***Reappointment*** ***Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026***

Oakland International Academy, Farmington Hills

Alaa Elmoursi Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

Pontiac Academy for Excellence, Pontiac

Elsie Babcock Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

Saginaw Preparatory Academy, Saginaw

Allien Joyce Neal Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

The New Standard Academy, Flint

Jay McDaniel Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

DeAmphord Thomas Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

Woodland School, Traverse City

John Tilley Appointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2024

Mr. Tilley earned his Juris Doctorate from Brooklyn Law School. He has been a member of the Michigan State Bar since 1990. He owns his own legal practice serving Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Antrim, Kalkaska, Benzie and Manistee counties. Mr. Tilley was a former Academy board member from 1996 to 2013. Mr. Tilley's past experience will be an asset to the board.

Jennifer Ulbrich Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

Stephanie Volz Reappointment Term: 7/1/2023 – 6/30/2026

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

3. Resolution to Approve the Addition of Pre-Kindergarten to Muskegon Maritime Academy

RES-2491 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control has approved the charter school application for grades K-5 for Muskegon Maritime Academy; and

WHEREAS, Muskegon Maritime Academy must currently reject the application of pre-kindergarten students; and

WHEREAS, the current students being served by Muskegon Maritime Academy and their parents have requested the opportunity to provide pre-kindergarten education; and

WHEREAS, Muskegon Maritime Academy has the desire to provide an education service for pre-kindergarten students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control approve the application and program amendment providing for the addition of pre-kindergarten students beginning with the 2023-2024 school year.

Ms. Candice Casey, director of the School & University Partnerships Operations, stated that Muskegon Maritime is requesting approval to offer a pre-kindergarten program at their academy, allowing them to add pre-kindergarten to their offering at the school.

The motion was APPROVED with Trustees Cherry, Crary, Eggers, Kulkarni, Rupp, Wiener and Williams voting in favor; and Trustee Guerra voting nay.

4. Resolution to Approve the Closure of Charlevoix Academy

RES-2492 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, on March 4, 1996, the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University (the “Board of Control”) issued a charter contract (the “Contract”) authorizing Charlevoix Academy, a Michigan nonprofit corporation (the “Academy”), to operate a public school academy; and

WHEREAS, the term of the Contract expires on June 30, 2025, unless extended by the Board of Control and the Academy; and

WHEREAS, student enrollment at Charlevoix Academy has shown a significant and consistent decline; and

WHEREAS, the board of Charlevoix Academy has requested that Saginaw Valley State University work with them to terminate the Academy’s operations and accomplish the closure/dissolution of Charlevoix Academy; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Control has determined that the best interests of the students of the Academy and their families will be served by undertaking the early termination of the Academy’s operations so that the Academy may wind up its affairs and dissolve effective June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, that the Contract of the Academy is hereby terminated as of June 30, 2023, per the request of the Academy Board.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the director of School/University Partnerships is directed to prepare a schedule of tasks to be accomplished in the dissolution of the Academy, which schedule shall include notice to students and families, appropriate filings with Michigan and federal officials and agencies, liquidation of assets, payment

or provision for payment of liabilities of the Academy, and transfer of any remaining assets to the State of Michigan in accordance with applicable law.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, that the director of School/University Partnerships shall work with the Board of Directors and administration of the Academy to effect the dissolution and liquidation of the Academy in as prompt and efficient a manner as possible after June 30, 2023.

Ms. Casey commented that Charlevoix Academy was initially authorized in 1996, and they are requesting Board of Control approval to close at the end of the current academic year due to a significant and consistent enrollment decline.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

5. Resolution to Make Changes to the Student Association Charter

RES-2493 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University retains as its express authority the approval of the Student Association Charter and amendments; and

WHEREAS, Student Association House Resolution 22-25 (attached) respects the LGBTQ+ community and supports the use of gender-inclusive pronouns in all settings; and

WHEREAS, the SVSU Student Association approved House Resolution 22-25 on February 27th, 2023, to have all instances amended in the Student Association Charter where the use of “he or she” is changed to “they” and the use of “his or her” is changed to “their.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the SVSU Board of Control approve the Student Association Charter change in accordance with House Resolution 22-25.

(Appendix A: House Resolution 22-25)

Trustee Eggers commented that using titles in certain instances in the Student Association bylaws would help clarify who is being referenced in the document rather than using pronouns. Student Association president, Mr. Urlaub, stated that he would share this feedback with the Student Association membership when they conduct their next bylaws update.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

6. Resolution to Approve the Naming of the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum Classroom

RES-2494 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Board of Control reserves the authority to approve the naming of facilities as outlined in the Board Bylaws, 3.101; and

WHEREAS, Carl M. Fredericks (1944-2021), son of Marshall M. Fredericks, business leader, and tireless supporter of the arts, served for 25 years on the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum Board of Advisors and left a gift of \$1,596,000 plus nearly 70 Marshall Fredericks and Carl Milles sculptures to the museum upon his death; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fredericks designated his funds for Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum for educational and archival purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum proposes the honorific and philanthropic naming of the museum's classroom (formerly known as A107) for Mr. Fredericks and his wife, Christina.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum Creative Commons (formerly known as A107) will be named the Carl and Christina Fredericks Creative Commons in accordance with the SVSU Board of Control Policy and Guidelines for Naming of Buildings, Facilities, Spaces, and Other Properties and Functions.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

7. Resolution to Approve Capital Projects

RES-2495 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Control have discussed this capital project and the Capital Projects Funding Plan; and

WHEREAS, sufficient financial resources are available from capital reserves to fund this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes the president and/or the interim vice president for Administration and Business Affairs to enter into contracts to complete the below-referenced project:

Ryder Roof \$250,000

Ms. Crane, interim vice president for Administration and Business Affairs, commented that the proposed resolution recommends the replacement of the Ryder Center roof over the Hamilton Gym. She noted that the roof was last replaced in 1997. She stated that there are sufficient resources in the capital reserve account to cover this project.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

8. Resolution to Adopt the General Fund Operating Budget for FY2024

RES-2496 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Administration and Board of Control of the University have determined the level of General Fund expenditure allocations required for personnel, services, supplies and equipment to maintain quality instructional and support services provided to students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached General Fund Budget Summary, which establishes the FY2024 operating budget, be adopted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the attached tuition and fee schedule of rates, effective beginning with the fiscal year 2024 fall semester, also be adopted.

**(Appendix B: General Fund Budget)
(Appendix C: Tuition and Fee Schedule)**

Ms. Crane noted that there are two documents before the Board for approval. She stated that the first one is the proposed General Fund Budget for the fiscal year that ends June 30 of 2024. This budget is \$125,219,000 and reflects an overall increase of 3.8% from the current year, which is a modest increase considering the current inflationary environment.

Ms. Crane also noted that the second document is the tuition rate schedule that would go into effect for the fall of 2023. She explained that the increase is within the state's proposed tuition restraint language, equating to a 5.84% increase. Ms. Crane noted that the general fund budget does reflect the proposed tuition rate increases.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

9. Resolution in Appreciation of Bhushan Kulkarni

RES-2497 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, Bhushan Kulkarni served on the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control with dedication and distinction from 2017-2023 since being appointed in December 2017 by Michigan Governor Rick Snyder; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, Mr. Kulkarni served as the Board Treasurer from 2019-2023 and on the Academic, Student Services and Personnel Committee throughout his term, where his professional experience was particularly valuable in the Board's discharge of human resource and financial responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kulkarni's extensive business experience throughout his distinguished career in engineering, telecom, IT consulting, cyber security, and information management sectors was beneficial to discussions of University business, where his keen business acumen and entrepreneurial spirit provided valuable insight regarding potential areas of improvement, strategic visioning, and team building; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kulkarni has been an active and well-respected member of the Michigan business community who is committed to enriching the region. He was named Ernst & Young's "Entrepreneur of the Year" and was recognized as Crain's Detroit Business "40-under 40" and "Who's Who in Technology Services" lists. In 2002, he received Crain's "American Dreamer Award," which is given to immigrant entrepreneurs who have changed the business landscape; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kulkarni served on the Board during an extraordinary and transformative time in the University's history. He was integral in the search for the University's fifth president, where he exhibited extraordinary leadership and collaboration throughout the search process. He provided his expertise and support for the integrated marketing campaign aimed at improving SVSU's reputation. Additionally, he provided resilient and steadfast leadership during the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic amid a challenging and unprecedented time, where he led with positivity, purpose, and unwavering passion for the University and its students; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kulkarni brought his deep commitment to higher education and community engagement to the Board and, throughout his term, has been a steadfast champion of the University. He was instrumental in developing relationships in the southeast Michigan business community. He served with great heart and a strong belief in the University's mission and vision to transform lives through educational excellence and dynamic partnerships, unleashing possibilities for impact in our community and worldwide; and

WHEREAS, throughout his term, Mr. Kulkarni demonstrated exceptional leadership that reflected his passion, vision, teamwork, loyalty, integrity and work ethic as essential components in supporting the students and campus community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control wishes to convey to Mr. Kulkarni its sincere gratitude and admiration for his dedicated support and service to the University and for being such an active participant in building a brighter future for our Saginaw Valley State University students.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. Kulkarni as a permanent expression of the University's appreciation.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

10. Resolution in Appreciation of Vicki Rupp

RES-2498 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, Vicki L. Rupp served on the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control with dedication and distinction from 2015-2023 since being appointed in July 2015 by Michigan Governor Rick Snyder; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure, Ms. Rupp served as Board Treasurer from 2017-2019, Board Vice Chair from 2019-2020, Board Chair from 2021-2023, and on the Board's Academic, Student Services, and Personnel Committee and the Business, Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee, where her professional experience was particularly valuable in the Board's discharge of financial responsibilities and human resource responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rupp's extensive experience throughout her distinguished thirty-five-year career at The Dow Chemical Company was instrumental to discussions of University business, providing valuable awareness into strategic visioning. Her dedicated service as a Board member was characterized by her thoughtful consideration of issues, concern for the quality of student life, and careful attention to detail. Along with her exceptional skills in fiscal management, she brought to the Board her deep commitment to higher education and community engagement; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rupp, a lifelong resident of Saginaw County, is an active and highly respected community member. She has demonstrated her commitment to the region by leading several community organizations that aim to enrich the community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rupp has shown consistent dedication to the University as an SVSU alumna and a member of the SVSU Foundation Board of Directors. Furthermore, she was honored with the Distinguished Alumni Award by the SVSU Alumni Association in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rupp was also instrumental in generating community support for the "First for Business" fundraising campaign for the Carmona College of Business building addition, which raised over \$15 million in private donations. During her tenure, Ms. Rupp also supported the comprehensive marketing research initiative and the corresponding integrated marketing campaign aimed at improving SVSU's reputation; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Rupp served as Board Chair during an extraordinary and transformative time in the University's history. She successfully led the search for the University's fifth president, carefully and thoughtfully guiding the presidential transition process with exceptional leadership. She also was co-chair of the President Search Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, during the challenging and unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic, she provided resilient and unwavering leadership. Ms. Rupp led with a positive attitude, purpose, and an unwavering passion for the University and its students; and

WHEREAS, throughout her eight-year term, Ms. Rupp demonstrated exceptional leadership that reflected her unsurpassed passion, enthusiasm, collaboration, teamwork, communication, loyalty, and work ethic as essential components in supporting the students and campus community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control wishes to convey to Ms. Rupp its sincere gratitude and appreciation for her dedicated support and service to the University. Thank you for being such an active participant in building a bright future for our students at Saginaw Valley State University.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Ms. Rupp as a permanent expression of the University's appreciation.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

III. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

11. Charter School Self-Closures – White Pine Academy and Marvin L. Winans Academy

Ms. Casey, director of the School & University Partnerships Operations, noted that White Pine Academy and Marvin Winans Academy will conduct self-closures at the end of the current school year. Both academies decided not to pursue renewal due to declining enrollment. She noted that Marvin L. Winans Academy was initially chartered in 1997, and White Pine Academy was originally chartered in 1999.

Ms. Casey noted that the School University Partnership Office has contacted AirWin Educational Services, a management group with expertise in academy closures, to assist both academies with the closure process. She stated that no formal action is necessary by the Board of Control since both contracts are considered non-renewals and will expire on June 30, 2023.

IV. REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

President Grant congratulated Trustee Guerra and Dr. Joseph Ofori-Dankwa, Harvey Randall Wickes Endowed Professor, for being recognized as recipients of the 2023 Heart of the City Award for their service to the Great Lakes Bay region. He noted that The Michigan Banner hosted the annual banquet on June 8 at the Horizon's Conference Center in Saginaw.

President Grant also congratulated Betsy Diegel, MiSTEM Network director East Central Region, and Dawn Hinton, associate vice president for Academic Affairs, for being awarded the Chiara Hensley Outstanding Institutional Representative of the Year Award

at the Michigan Women's ACE Conference for their work in empowering, supporting and providing professional development opportunities to SVSU female faculty, staff and students during the 2023 academic year. President Grant stated he attended the conference and was part of a president's panel discussion focused on empowering women in a new era of higher education during the conference at the Suburban Showcase in Novi, June 12-13.

President Grant extended his appreciation to the faculty and administrative negotiation teams for all the hard work in reaching a tentative agreement and for coming together with a common cause. He thanked everyone involved for their commitment to making our university stronger.

Lastly, President Grant thanked Chair Rupp and Trustee Kulkarni for their extraordinary leadership throughout their term on the Board of Control. He thanked them for their kindness as he transitioned into his new role.

VI. OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

12. Motion to Move to an Informal Session to Discuss Collective Bargaining

BM-1259 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 2:15 p.m. It reconvened in a Regular Formal Session at 2:25 p.m. with Board members Trustees Cherry, Crary, Eggers, Guerra, Kulkarni, Rupp, Wiener and Williams in attendance.

Trustee Wiener formally motioned to approve the SVSU Faculty Association Collective Bargaining Agreement. Trustee Crary seconded the motion.

13. Resolution to Approve the SVSU Faculty Association Collective Bargaining Agreement

RES-2499 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, representatives of the University and the SVSU Faculty Association reached a tentative agreement to replace the 2020-2023 agreement between the University and the Association on June 7, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the SVSU Faculty Association ratified the tentative agreement on June 15, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Control does hereby approve the collective bargaining agreement between Saginaw Valley State University and the SVSU Faculty Association covering the period from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

Chair Rupp offered thanks to the faculty association and the administration for their outstanding collaborative efforts throughout this process. She expressed her appreciation to everyone involved in the bargaining agreement process for their great work solidifying a successful agreement.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

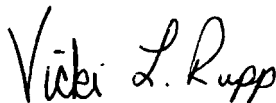
14. Motion to Adjourn

BM-1260 **It was moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned.**

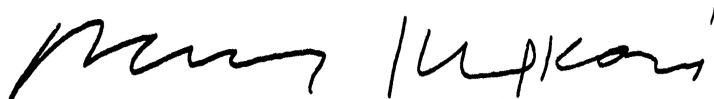
The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Vicki L. Rupp, Chair



Bhushan Kulkarni, Secretary



Mary Kowaleski
Recording Secretary



Saginaw Valley State University Student Association
Twenty-Eighth Session of the House of Representatives

House Resolution 22-25

A resolution to make changes to the Student Association Charter.

Introduced by Representative Sauer

On February 27th, 2023

THE STUDENTS OF SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT

Whereas, the Student Association Charter is in need of changes regarding the use of pronouns; and

Whereas, the Student Association supports the use of gender inclusive pronouns usage in all settings; and

Whereas, Appendix A has highlighted each instance where the use of "they" is in place of "he or she" and the use of "their" is in place of "his or her"; and

Now therefore be it...

Resolved, that the Student Association adopt the updated Student Association Charter; and be it

Resolved, that the Saginaw Valley State University student body vote on this change to the Student Association Charter during the Winter 2023 General Election to ratify; and be it

Resolved, that if ratified, the Charter be presented to the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control for approval by the President of the Student Association at the next Regular Formal Session of the Board of Control after the conclusion of the Winter 2023 General Election.



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Therefore, it be read and placed before the twenty-eighth session of the House of Representatives duly assembled on **February 27th, 2023** for substantive discussion, and

Therefore, after cloture, it be brought before the House for passage with those votes tabulating ____ in the affirmative, ____ against, and ____ abstentions with a resulting (Adoption/Failure) as certified by:

Certifying Official(s): _____

Appendices

Appendix A:



**Student Association Charter
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PREAMBLE

We, the students of Saginaw Valley State University, do establish the Student Association of Saginaw Valley State University to represent student concern and advance student priorities, to serve as a catalyst for positive University change, to provide information and leadership to the student body, to increase campus involvement, to faithfully administer the expenditures of Student Association funds, and to contribute to the improvement of the educational experience of the students.

Article I - Organization

Section 1 – Organization



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A. There is hereby established a Student Association, henceforth known as the Association, which shall be comprised of a minimum of thirteen Representatives and a President.

Article II – The Student Association

Section 1 – The President

- A. The President of the Student Association shall be elected by the students of Saginaw Valley State University by a general election.
- B. The President of the Student Association shall be an ex-officio member of the Association, without a vote.
- C. They may appoint and, when necessary and proper, remove student representatives from University committees, subject to Association consent.
- D. They shall further administer and execute policies set forth by the Association such as hire and fire all student employees of the Association, and shall be responsible for the faithful expenditure and management of all funds or other assets under the ownership or control of the Student Association.
- E. They shall also, from time - to - time, inform the student body of actions taken by the Association or of such other matters as may affect the general interests or well - being of the student body of Saginaw Valley State University.
- F. The President has the discretion to create a cabinet structure with the approval of the Association. The President has full discretion of appointment and removal power within the approved cabinet structure.
- G. In the event the President is unable or unwilling to fulfill their duties, the Speaker of the Student Association will succeed to the Presidency.
- H. The President has the power to veto action items, including specific financial allocations that the Association approves. If the action item is not signed within ten business days of passage, then the item is considered signed by the President. The Association may overrule the President's veto by a vote in the affirmative of three fourths or more Representatives at a meeting properly called.

Section 2 – The Speaker of the Association

- A. The Association shall elect a Speaker of the Association from its membership.
- B. The Speaker shall be elected by vote of not less than three-fourths of the Association voting at a meeting properly called and attended by a quorum.
- C. The Speaker of the Association shall preside over all meetings.
- D. The Speaker will vote only in the case of a tie.
- E. The Speaker shall supervise all committees as may be appointed from time - to - time by the Association, shall assign members to such committees, and shall maintain all files and other records of the Association.

Section 3 – Officers

- A. The Parliamentarian, Ombudsman, and Public Information Officer shall be selected through a process approved by the Association.
- B. The Parliamentarian shall rule on all matters of procedure or other issues relevant to the business of the Association. The Parliamentarian shall chair the Legislation committee. The business of the Association shall, in all matters, be governed by this Charter, by By-Laws properly adopted by the Association, and meetings will be conducted using the version of Robert's Rules of Order that the Parliamentarian specifies at the beginning of their term.



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- C. The Ombudsman shall process and maintain records relating to any grievances filed by members of the student body, shall preside over the resolution of all grievances properly presented within the Association, and shall serve as a source of information and support for members of the student body who are experiencing difficulties with the University.
- D. The Public Information Officer shall be responsible for matters of communication and dissemination of information on behalf of the Association, whether in verbal, printed, or electronic form, including, but not limited to publication and distribution of recorded proceedings or other official documents not considered to be of a confidential nature, advertising and promotion of Association events, and responses to external inquiry.

Section 4 – Activity of the Association

- A. The Association may adopt or approve By-Laws, resolutions and other policies or actions relevant to the function of the Student Association. Such actions may include, but shall not be limited to, the allocation or use of funding made available by the University through the collection of student fees, and the adoption of expression of positions or opinions to be published or presented to University or governmental officials.
- B. The Association may, from time-to-time, create and appoint committees. The authority or work of such committees shall be granted or assigned in any action or resolution there taken.

Section 5 – Order

- A. The Association may determine the Rules of Proceedings within the bylaws wherever they do not contradict provisions of the Charter.
- B. All substantive matters before the Association shall be decided by majority vote of the association as a whole, except as otherwise specifically provided in the Charter and the By-Laws.
- C. The Association shall conduct no business, nor take any action, except in a public meeting attended by greater than one-half of representatives, which number shall constitute a quorum.
- D. In any case in which a substantive vote is presented which requires a supermajority, the Association shall not take up such matter unless the minimum number of representatives to pass such action are present.
- E. All procedural votes shall be decided by a majority or supermajority of those present according to the Bylaws, Standing Rules of Order, or Robert's Rules of Order.
- F. In the event of any tie vote on any matter properly before the Association, the Speaker shall cast a vote to determine the issue.
- G. A representative may cast one and only one vote for each item of business brought before the Association, provided the representative shall be in attendance at the meeting during which time such item shall be decided upon.
- H. In the event the Speaker is unable to attend the meeting and there is a quorum, the meeting shall be chaired by officers in the following order: Parliamentarian, Ombudsman.

Section 6 – Discipline of Representatives

- A. With the concurrence of three fourths of the representatives the association may expel a representative from the association.



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- B. In the event any officer is unable to fulfill **their** duties, the Association shall select one representative from the existing Association to assume this office in the same manner as the original selection.

Article III - Elections and Qualifications

Section 1 – Elections

- A. Elections will be sponsored and run by the University Election Commission.
- B. All students enrolled in a course or courses at Saginaw Valley State University on the date of an election shall be eligible to vote in such election.
- C. The term for the office of President or Representative shall begin and end at the conclusion of the commencement exercises following the winter semester.

Section 2 – Eligibility to Election or Appointment

- A. All Representatives and Officers of the Student Association must be enrolled as students at Saginaw Valley State University during the entire term of their office with a minimum of six credit hours per semester. Failure to remain enrolled, except during any summer semester, shall result in automatic forfeiture of the office to which such person was elected.
- B. All Representatives and Officers of the Student Association must have and maintain a cumulative 2.25 grade point average throughout their term. Failure to do so shall result in automatic forfeiture of the office to which such person was elected.
- C. No person shall be elected to the Office of President more than twice.

Article IV - Discipline or Removal of the President

Section 1 – Petition for Discipline of the President

- A. A complaint seeking to discipline or impeach the President must be submitted to the Speaker of the Association. Any such complaint shall contain the valid signature of not less than ten percent of those students enrolled in a course or courses at Saginaw Valley State University as of the official count date, as certified by the Registrar. Any such complaint must allege in clear and specific terms, misfeasance or nonfeasance on the part of the President.
- B. The speaker of the Student Association shall administer the provisions of this Article, and shall promptly deliver any signed submitted complaint to the Disciplinary Action Committee.

Section 2 – Disciplinary Action Committee

- A. There shall be established a Disciplinary Action Committee, comprised of five members. Such members must be students enrolled at Saginaw Valley State University, or faculty or staff employed by the University. The Committee shall be appointed by the Speaker of the Association and confirmed by three fourths of the Representatives of the Association.
- B. The Disciplinary Action Committee may adopt its own By-Laws or other regulations to guide or govern the conduct of its business.
- C. The said Disciplinary Action Committee shall conduct a hearing within ten business days of the date on which any complaint was submitted to the Speaker of the Association. At such hearing, the Disciplinary Action Committee shall consider all matters and evidence presented relative to the allegations contained in the complaint, and within five business days following the conclusion of



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the hearing shall recommend such actions as might be deemed necessary and proper to the Association.

Section 3 – Action of the Association

A. All recommendations of the Disciplinary Action Committee shall be subject to action by the Association, provided that no action may be taken against the President of the Association unless confirmed by three fourths vote of the Representatives of the Association.

Article V - Judicial Review of the Charter

Section 1 – Judicial Review

A. Disputes arising under the provisions of this Charter shall be resolved by action of the prevailing review structure as it is established within the Bylaws.

Article VI - Initiative and Referendum

Section 1 – Referendum

- A. Students enrolled at Saginaw Valley State University may require a referendum to amend, modify or nullify any action taken by the Association.
- B. Any proposal for a referendum shall be initiated by a petition, setting forth the proposed measure in question and containing the signatures of not fewer than five percent (5%) of the students enrolled in a course or sources at Saginaw Valley State University, as of the official count date, as certified by the registrar. C. Any such petition shall be delivered to the Speaker of the Association.
- D. Upon receiving any such petition, the Speaker will read it to the Association and present it to the Election Commission, which shall organize a vote of the student body on said petition.
- E. Any such vote must take place within fifteen business days from the date the said petition was received by the Association.
- F. The action proposed in the referendum shall take effect if supported by a majority of those students properly voting in the said election.
- G. Specific allocations are not subject to referendum.

Section 2 – Initiative

- A. Members of the student body may propose, of their own initiative, that certain matters of policy or other action be established or taken as if approved by the Association.
- B. Any such initiative shall follow the same procedures as set forth in this Article governing the Power of Referendum.
- C. In the event the Association passes a resolution or takes action identical with that proposed in the petition for initiative, no further action shall be taken on said petition.

Section 3 – Initiative Amendments to the Charter

- A. Pursuant to Article VI, the student body may propose a Charter amendment by initiative.
- B. A charter initiative requires the signatures of ten percent (10%) of the students enrolled in a course or courses at Saginaw Valley State University, as of the official count date, as certified by the registrar.



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Article VII - Amendments

Section 1 – Proposal of Amendments

- A. The Association may propose amendments to this Charter, with approval of two-thirds of the Representatives.

Section 2 – Ratification of Amendments

- A. The Election Commission shall organize and conduct a vote of the students after the public announcement of any properly proposed amendment.
- B. Any such amendment, if approved by a majority of those students properly voting and by the University President, shall then be presented to the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University for final approval.

Article VIII - Ratification

This Charter was passed by the Saginaw Valley State University Student Association on August 25, 2019; ratified by the student body on September 18, 2019; and approved by the Board of Control on October 28, 2019.

This Charter was approved by the Saginaw Valley State University Student Association on September 29th, 2003, was approved by the Saginaw Valley State University Student Body on October 9th, 2003, and was ratified at the October 13th, 2003 meeting of the Board of Control.

This charter was approved by the Saginaw Valley State University Student Government Senate on February 15, 1996, was approved by the Saginaw Valley State University student body on February 22, 1996, and was ratified at the March 4, 1996 meeting of the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control.

Appendix B: General Fund Budget



GENERAL FUND BUDGET SUMMARY FY 2023 & FY2024

	Board FY 2023	Pending Revised FY 2023	Net Change FY2023 to Revised FY2023		FY 2024	Net Change FY2023 to FY2024	
			\$	%		\$	%
REVENUES							
State Appropriation	\$32,355,000	\$32,274,000	(\$81,000)	-0.3%	\$33,573,000	\$1,299,000	4.0%
Tuition and Fees	83,720,000	81,761,000	(1,959,000)	-2.3%	84,549,000	2,788,000	3.4%
Miscellaneous	5,592,000	6,547,000	955,000	17.1%	7,097,000	550,000	8.4%
Total Revenues	121,667,000	120,582,000	(1,085,000)	-0.9%	125,219,000	4,637,000	3.8%
EXPENDITURE ALLOCATIONS							
Compensation	74,879,000	75,376,000	497,000	0.7%	78,845,000	3,469,000	4.6%
Supplies, Materials & Services	43,608,000	42,191,000	(1,417,000)	-3.2%	43,859,000	1,668,000	4.0%
Capital Expenditures	3,180,000	3,015,000	(165,000)	-5.2%	2,515,000	(500,000)	-16.6%
Total Expenditures	121,667,000	120,582,000	(1,085,000)	-0.9%	125,219,000	4,637,000	3.8%
Revenue Over/(Under) Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0	



Tuition & Fees
FY2024

TUITION

Undergraduate Tuition - Michigan Residents:

Undergraduate Courses	\$408.00/cr.hr.
Undergraduate - Professional Program Courses (a)	553.60/cr.hr.

Undergraduate Tuition - Non-Residents:

Undergraduate Courses	958.40/cr.hr.
Undergraduate - Professional Program Courses (a)	1,055.25/cr.hr.

(a) Upper division level courses (300-400 Level Courses) in the following departments or subjects:
Accounting, Business Leadership, Computer Information Systems, Medical Laboratory Science, Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Electrical & Computer Engineering, Economics, Educational Leadership, Engineering Technology Management, Finance, Health Sciences, Kinesiology, Law, Mechanical Engineering, Management, Marketing, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Social Work (list), Teacher Education, and Teacher Education - Middle & Secondary Schools.

Social Work List of Courses at Professional Rate: SW316, 318, 320, 329, 330, 401, 402, 403, 483, 484 & 485.

Graduate Courses(500-699 Level Courses; HHS 500-799 Level Courses)	721.65/cr.hr.
Doctorate Courses (DNP)	791.55/cr.hr.

OTHER FEES

Academic Computing	86.00
Enrollment Fee	150.00