

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Kalamazoo Valley Community College was held on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at the Kalamazoo Valley Texas Township Campus, 6767 West O Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan, in the Paul D. Jackson Board Room.

Chairperson Stinson convened the meeting at 7:30 a.m. and led everyone in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Chairperson Stinson, Trustees DeLuca, Gustas, Patton, Pontius, and Purnell

L. Marshall Washington, President Tracy Labadie, Recording Secretary

Excused:

Trustee Thomas-Cloud

Other Attendees:

Dannie Alexander, VP for Campus Planning and Operations

Nkenge Bergan, Associate VP for Student Development Services

Erin Bishop, Administrative Manager – President's Office Paige Eagan, Provost/VP for Instruction & Student Services

Aaron Hilliard, VP for Human Resources Brian Lueth, VP for Finance and Business Mary McConnell, Workforce Coordinator

Miranda McDowell, Coordinator for Student Onboarding & Organizations

Scott Myers, Humanities Faculty Marc Rifenberg, Public Safety

Alisha Siebers, Associate VP for College Advancement/Exec. Dir KVCC Foundation Louis Thomas, Asst Dean of Student Development Services & Special Programs

James Valliere, Director of Advising & Counseling

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was **MOVED** by Trustee DeLuca, **SECONDED** by Trustee Gustas, and **CARRIED** that the agenda be approved as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Purnell presented the Consent Agenda Items. It was **MOVED** by Trustee Purnell, **SECONDED** by Trustee Gustas and **CARRIED** that the Consent Agenda Items for April 2025, including the Secretary's Report, the Treasurer's Report, the Personnel Report, and the Graduates Report be approved.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No one was present who wished to address the Board.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Kalamazoo Valley Museum Advisory Board Report

Chairperson Stinson presented a summary of the April 2025 Kalamazoo Valley Museum Advisory Board meeting.

President's Report

President Washington reviewed highlights from the President's Report, presented an update on the 2023 – 2027 Strategic Plan, Instruction and Student Services Plan, Board Ends Policies 404 and 406, and distributed the Board Calendar.

ACTION ITEMS

Recommendation for Tuition and Fees for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Gustas, **SECONDED** by Trustee DeLuca, and **CARRIED** that, effective with the Fall 2025 semester, tuition at Kalamazoo Valley Community College shall be as follows:

In-District	\$130.00 per contact hour
Out-of-District	\$224.00 per contact hour
Out-of-State	\$299.00 per contact hour
International	\$339.00 per contact hour

And a non-refundable student fee of \$171.00 per semester (applicable to all students registering for courses) shall be charged:

Resolution to Provide for Public Hearing on 2025-2026 Budget and Property Taxes

It was **MOVED** by Trustee DeLuca, **SECONDED** by Trustee Patton, and **CARRIED** that the resolution to provide for a Public Hearing on the 2025-2026 Budget be adopted.

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Resolution for Emeritus Status - Caroline Whiting

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Pontius, **SECONDED** by Trustee Gustas, and **CARRIED** that, upon the recommendation of the President, Emeritus Status be granted to Caroline Whiting effective upon her retirement from Kalamazoo Valley Community College on August 31, 2025.

OTHER ITEMS

No other items were presented.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND EVALUATION OF MEETING AND MATERIALS

No additional items were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

It was **MOVED** by Trustee Patton, **SECONDED** by Trustee DeLuca, and **CARRIED** that the meeting be adjourned. Chairperson Stinson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:14 a.m.

Kathy Purnell, Secretary

Lucinda M. Stinson, Chairperson

RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2025-2026 BUDGET

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Public Act 43 of the 1963 Public Acts, as amended, requires the College to hold a public hearing on its proposed 2025-2026 budget prior to its final adoption;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Public Act 2 of 1968, as amended, requires the taxing unit to set forth the total number of mills of ad valorem property taxes to be levied and the purposes for which that millage is levied:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Board of Trustees has examined the financial circumstances of the college district for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, including estimated expenditures, estimated revenues, and the state equalized valuation of property located within the district, and determined that the levy of the total authorized millage rate will be necessary for the sound management and operation of the community college district; and
- 2. A public hearing of the proposed 2025-2026 budget be held on May 13, 2025, at 7:30 a.m., in Paul D. Jackson Board Room, at Kalamazoo Valley Community College, Texas Township Campus, 6767 West O Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan; and
- 3. The secretary be authorized and directed to cause a notice of such hearing to be published in the manner and time required by law in a newspaper of general circulation within the district. The notice shall be substantially in the following form:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2025-2026 BUDGET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on May 13, 2025, at 7:30 a.m., in the Paul D. Jackson Board Room at Kalamazoo Valley Community College, Texas Township Campus, 6767 West O Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan, the Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on the College's proposed 2025-2026 budget.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2025-2026 budget until after the public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2025-2026 budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Office of the President of Kalamazoo Valley Community College, 6767 West O Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Trustees.

Dated: April 8, 2025

Kathy Purnell, Secretary, Board of Trustees Kalamazoo Valley Community College Date: April 8, 2025

Notary Public

CAROL J FILLENWORTH Notary Public, State of Michigan County of Van Buren My Commission Expires 08-92-2030

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