

CABINET  
MINUTES

Kalamazoo Valley Community College

# Office of President

To: Cabinet, Archives  
From: Candy Horton  
Subject: Minutes of April 22, 2008 Cabinet Meeting  
Date: April 22, 2008

Members Present: Anderson, Bertch, Bohnet, Cannell, Collins, DeHaven, Horton, Hutchins, Kocher, and Schlack

Members Absent: Niewoonder

Guests Present: Theo Sypris

Innovative Thinking Grant to establish the International Intercultural Education Center

Theo Sypris presented an overview of the proposal for the establishment of the International Intercultural Education Center. Some of the highlights of the proposal include:

- Expand 20 year development & support initiatives of the existing program.
- 2008-2010 Objectives: enhance student enrollment, real-life learning opportunities, overseas internships, provide professional development for faculty & staff, engage high schools & community, and possible establish an international garden.

Several changes in funding were recommended, primarily to expand opportunities for student stipends. It was suggested that local businesses with an international presence be involved.

It was moved and seconded to accept the proposal with modifications.

TBO Discussion

a. Personnel items:

- There will be postings for 3 Interpretation Specialists as replacements for the Museum.
- Dr. Janet Alm accepted the position of Director of Libraries with a start date of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008.
- Mary Lindsley is retiring as of April 30, 2008.

b. Reality Check – no reality check items reported.

c. Kudos!

- Jim Dehaven and Mike Collins (and all others) for an outstanding job for the “Upton” reception.

#### d. Other TBO Items

- Reminder: StrengthsQuest Meeting, Thursday, April 24, 2008
- Sandy indicated there has been a discussion of Talent Plus usage and fees.

#### Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the April 15, 2008 meeting were approved as submitted.

#### Other

- Grand Rapids Community College announced a new interim president.
- Blake Glass picked up a plaque in Lansing for a tribute to our Wellness Program.
- Louise submitted a draft for 2008-09 Revenue Estimates.
- Mike submitted a Proposed Facility Rental Rates for 2008/2009 for next week's agenda.
- A consideration on tuition will be made at the next Board meeting.
- The House is expected to recommend Capital Outlay for colleges.
- Wind Energy is generating interest in the community.
- Performance Outcomes for community colleges will form the basis for future funding.
- UofM, and MSU are talking about leaving the CTA and forming their own organization.
- The MPI announcement for new jobs should create opportunities for KVCC.
- Another meeting with Gov. Granholm & Parker Aerospace is scheduled for April 28<sup>th</sup>.
- The Gallup Education Conference is scheduled for June in Omaha.

#### Other Discussion Items

- Marilyn suggested that the proposal for Wind Energy could possibly be an Innovative Thinking Grant.

#### Follow Up from April 15, Planning Meeting

- Goals 2008/09:
  - Employee Engagement
  - Student Engagement
  - Managing Enrollment
- Marilyn asked that each co-chair provide greater detail and expand the committees to other areas of our college by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Travel – the following travel items were reported for the record:

- Ann Lindsay & Chris Robbins to attend “It’s Mine, You Can’t Have It: Resource Sharing, Now and in the Future”, in Lansing, Mary 23, 2008.
- Patrick Norris to attend the Museum Directors Executive Roundtable in Springfield, IL, June 18-19, 2008.

Grants

- Jim DeHaven submitted a KVCC Foundation Grant to underwrite the Fret board Festival in March, 2009.

Next Meeting - The next Cabinet meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 29, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. in the Board Room.