

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Fought and supported by Trustee Kring that the Minutes of the December 1, 2020 Regular Meeting be approved.

AYES: Trustees Fought, Keiswetter, Kring, Millard, Noël, Rasmussen and Shirilla
NAYS: None

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Rasmussen and supported by Trustee Shirilla that the Minutes of the July 28, Closed Session be approved.

AYES: Trustees Fought, Keiswetter, Kring, Millard, Noël, Rasmussen and Shirilla
NAYS: None

6. COMMUNICATIONS

President Finley provided updates on the following:

a. Positive Feedback Elizabeth McBride

On Tuesday, November 24, 2020, Christy Lyons director of corporate and community education shared the following positive feedback from community member Elizabeth McBride:

"Thank you for your patience and persistence in discovering what went wrong (with my link to a Lifelong Learning Course)! We have been so impressed by the staff and programming at NCMC! You do so much for this community! Sincerely, Elizabeth McBride"

b. In Appreciation - Suzanne Holguin

On Tuesday, November 24, 2020 adjunct faculty member Suzanne Holguin wrote:

"Hi David, Thank you. Appreciate your leadership in this difficult time. It is so comforting that you and the NCMC administration and the Board are guiding us the best way you can, also. I am grateful that NCMC has such a high level of organization, transparency in sustaining community college education and safety of faculty, staff, students and our community.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family too. Bless you, Suzanne"

c. North Central Announces Winter 2021 Luncheon Lectures Virtual

North Central Michigan College virtual format on January 15, 2021. A variety of topics will be featured, including an analysis of the 2020 general

Beethoven. All programs will be held on Fridays via Zoom.

The presentations are free; however, pre-registration is required at <https://www.ncmclifelonglearning.com/events>.

d. 9&10 News -

New Mascot

On December 7, 2020, Kevin Hodge from 9&10 news wrote:

North Central Michigan University is looking to put a fresh face on the school with a new mascot.

The school surveyed students and faculty, and they've managed to narrow it down to eight choices. The grey wolf, bobcats, storm tides, cyclones, voyagers, pirates, sabers, and fighting ferrets are all on the table.

President of the College, Dr. David Roland Finley says they want this mascot to show what their institution is all about. "It's about a promise of the experience that you're going to have when you get here," he said. "Very hands-on, practical—the environment is very important to us, a good work ethic, integrity. All of those things we're hoping to capture in that selection."

When they began their search, the college didn't have any athletics. Since then, they've added cross country, downhill skiing, and Esports.

e. Bridge Magazine/Petoskey News Review Op-Ed

On Wednesday, December 16, 2020, the Petoskey News review published the article titled *Michigan colleges are fighting to survive for students and communities* in the Commentary section. This Op-Ed was originally published in the Michigan Bridge magazine on December 7, 2020.

Michigan's 28 public community colleges are essential to the state's economic rebound from COVID-19.

Our community colleges are such an asset to

As we near the finish line on our Fall 2020 semester, I want to congratulate you on a job well done. Thanks to our collective efforts, we were able to hold classes safely in person for the bulk of the semester. Our Residence Hall remained open with increased safety protocols, our cross-country team had a successful second season, and we were even able to hold our first-ever North Central Trick-or-Trot 5k.



Those of you who learn best face-to-face will be able to do so safely, and those of you who prefer the flexibility of online classes will be able to learn when and where you want. We will continue our layered

d. Passing of former trustee Joan Kleinstiver

We were just notified by her family that Joan Kleinstiver passed away unexpectedly following

14. UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

15. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business, it was moved by Trustee Noël and supported by Trustee Fought that the meeting be adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

AYES: Trustees Fought, Keiswetter, Kring, Millard, Noël, Rasmussen and Shirilla

NAYS: None