

**MINUTES
NORTH CENTRAL MICHIGAN COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
Virtual via Zoom
Tuesday, June 23, 2020**

Trustee Millard began by reading the following script:

Good afternoon,

It is Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 4:00pm. We are going to begin the Public Board Hearing, followed by the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees as scheduled. These meetings are being conducted in a virtual Executive Order 2020-115 and Executive Order 2020-75 which temporarily permits remote participation in public meetings.

Thank you for your participation and patience during this meeting. Please know that this meeting is being recorded and that all participants, with the exception of the Board of Trustees, will be muted to eliminate background noise. Comments may be held for Public Comment or typed into the chat at any time. For Public Comment, we will first unmute each person who entered a comment into the chat in order by which it was received. Next, to assure that everyone has a chance to participate, we will also welcome participants to unmute themselves for verbal Public Comments as some called in.

I encourage the Board of Trustees to also keep background noise in mind and ask that you to remain muted as well, unless speaking. We will be using roll call votes for all business today.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Phil Millard called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

2. ATTENDANCE

PRESENT (Roll Call): Trustees Fought (via phone), Keiswetter (via phone), Kring (via video), Millard (via video), Noël (via phone), Rasmussen (via video) and Shirilla (via video)

ABSENT: None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Trustee Noël and supported by Trustee Rasmussen that the Agenda be approved as submitted.

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

NAYS: None

4. APPROVE MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Noël 1 0 0 1 506.95 206.33 Tm0 g0 G{)JTJETQq0.00000912 0 612 792 rq0.00y312 Tf

5. COMMUNICATIONS

President Finley provided updates on the following:

- a. Virtual Campus Tour Lisa Hammond feedback

President Finley was pleased to share that North Central now has Virtual Campus Tour, and he encouraged everyone to view it. Access to this video is available by clicking on the image of our two button at the very bottom.

President Finley shared community feedback regarding the virtual campus tour by reading a message received on Friday, June 5, 2020 from Lisa Hammond, Northern MI Services.

Hello David, I just wanted to personally thank you and your staff for the amazing virtual tour of the college. I

d. North Central Michigan College in the News

NCMC receives new weather station from Michigan State 7&4 News

President Finley shared that on Wednesday, June 17, 2020 Paul Steeno from 7&4 News interviewed Michigan State University that will provide NCMC students with opportunities to visit and learn from a new weather station this fall.

"Weather is very localized, particularly in this area. We tend to talk about what are called microclimates because the terrain is quite varied in Michigan," said David Rodgers, a Chemistry and Physics professor at North Central Michigan College. "We can get a better idea of what is going on in an area by having better sampling of the weather and climate sampling in these discreet areas."

MSU Extension paid entirely for this new weather station, which is located off McDougal Road off NCMC's trail system. President Finley thanked David Rodgers.

A Look at Chaotic Past Presidential Election Years 9&10 News

Next President Finley shared that on Wednesday, June 3, 2020 Scott LaDeur was interviewed by 9&10 News, which resulted in the article titled A Look at Chaotic Past Presidential Election Years, which Dr. Finley explained provides insight on what this year is shaping up to be.

other and offer contracting prescriptions as to

President Finley thanked Scott for his interview and for representing North Central Michigan College so well.

e. Rotary STRIVE

President Finley shared that on Friday, June 5, 2020 North Central Michigan College received notification from the STRIVE Leadership Team (Georgia, Jeff & Lisa) that all three STRIVE scholarship recipients are planning to attend North Central Michigan College. This is great news!

f. Parking Lot suggestions David Trautman

President Finley shared that the college received letters from David Trautman on May 30 and on June 1.

initiatives. These thoughtful letters, sent to both President and all seven of the North Central Board of Trustees, recommend the planting of trees and hedges, along with the construction of solar screens.

He acknowledged that this would be an interesting project for students studying environmental science, which is why this input was shared for consideration by faculty and the board today.

President Finley was happy to share that much of what proposed has been recommended in the most recent College Master Plan created by Cornerstone Architects, and it is amongst many initiatives on campus to be pursued pending the availability of funding.

of the five reported out and all are in the process of developing next steps forward. He was pleased to share that the feedback received from the committee dovetails nicely with our Strategic Plan. Our Strategic Plan currently consists of 6 values. Based upon input during the BRAC meeting, we are now considering adding a 7th value adaptability.

b. Building Tomorrow Together Campaign

event, North Central is in the throes of the Quiet

Campaign leadership has been established, and supporting materials are in the final stages of production to enable important conversations to be had with even more prospective donors. Stay tuned, as we

c. AD/CL Building Renovation Update

Interior renovations are proceeding swiftly. Classrooms, lobbies, and corridors are slated to come back on-line at the end of August. The Student Services First Stop Shop and new office suites are scheduled to come on-line a month later.

On Thursday, June 18, 2020, a concrete slab was placed, so that the footings for the AD/CL Addition can be poured. Modifications (including roof removal) are underway, so that this new space will cleanly tie back into the existing building. We continue to progress steadily with construction and are on track for a Spring 2021 completion.

d. Groundbreaking Event Recap

President Finley thanked all who participated in the AD/CL Building Renovation and Classroom Expansion Groundbreaking Event on Monday, June 22, 2020. The event had been a long time coming. He was informed that this project had been in the works for at least eight years. He acknowledged that the College had to overcome the setbacks of a pandemic to gather for this celebration. He extended a heartfelt thanks to all who made this event happen, including our Foundation team, the College Communications Department, Physical Plant staff, IT, Lea Dietzel, and many other volunteers that made it a great day.

e. Remote Instruction/Remote Work Thanks

topic to be considered in the Personnel Committee report below), I again want to extend my thanks for the Herculean effort of faculty and staff to deliver our educational product to learners at a distance during the final seven weeks of the Winter semester. He also clarified that Summer courses will continue via remote instructional methods, and we are incrementally bringing administrators and staff back to campus this summer, so as to best prepare for the Fall semester.

Chairman Millard added his thanks and appreciation to both the faculty and staff. He commented that

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

ii. Career Development Specialist

Trustee Shirilla acknowledged the hiring freeze. However, the Career Development Specialist position is favorable for the budget as it is grant funded. Funded by the Nitaazhitoojik Industrial Training (NIT) Grant, a partnership with the LTBB of Odawa Indian7(p w792 reW*nr Indi)7(a)000912 0 612

preparation. I asked adjunct faculty member Michelle Hitner to tutor her and work with her over Zoom platform and our student passed registry exam yesterday. Michelle put together a plan with Jason and structured a path for her to succeed.

Her passing is the outcome. However, Michelle instilled in her confidence that an exam will not measure. The work that they put in together was inspiring. To see a student and instructor so passionate about overcoming challenges was a reminder why what we do is so important.

We encourage our students to reach for greatness and to use each success as building blocks. It is an honor to work with instructors that embrace our