

Marion Technical College
Board of Trustees
Board Retreat & Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 19, 2021
OACC Offices

Call to Order

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

Roll Call

The Recording Secretary called the roll. Trustees present were Chair Tim Anderson, Vice Chair Roxane Somerlot, Dr. Justin Hamper, Ms. Vidya Iyengar, Mr. Greg Moon, Mr. Don Plotts, and Ms. Nicolle Wampler (Board meeting only).

Mr. Kit Fogle and Ms. Jude Foulk were absent.

Introduction of Guests

Guests present included Dr. Ryan McCall, Dr. Bob Haas, Dr. Amy Adams, Ms. Rhonda Ward, and Ms. Laura Woughter.

Board Retreat

Dr. McCall reviewed the College's data fact book with the trustees, which included: service area and resident demographics, strategic plan and Title III metrics, credential attainment, enrollment trends, and student success by population and ethnicity.

State Senator Bill Reineke joined the Board Retreat at 3:10 p.m. to discuss workforce and higher education issues. Dr. McCall shared with Senator Reineke the College's new TRIO Educational Talent Search grant to serve underserved K-12 students and preparing them for the future and education and workforce after high school. Senator Reineke shared a desire to integrate workforce with education to improve relationships and help define pathways between the two sectors; in addition, establishing internships and apprenticeships for younger students to begin a pathway in the workforce that can benefit both the student and the employer. Senator Reineke also lauded the College for the development of the Marion Tech Downtown location and the Connections Center. Dr. McCall shared with Senator Reineke the College's upcoming grant to JobsOhio Vibrant Communities program to expand Marion Tech Downtown to include a maker space and additional small business development incubation.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of preceding meeting minutes
2. ODHE 2021 Efficiency Report

Mr. Plotts motioned to approve the consent agenda, and Dr. Hamper seconded the motion. By a unanimous vote, the consent agenda was approved.

President's Report

Dr. McCall highlighted the following from his President's Report:

- The annual Alumni Hall of Fame will be held on November 18th, and will feature four alumni inductees. The event is also coinciding with the Marion Area Chamber of Commerce's Business After Hours.
- Marion Tech received a transfer of jurisdiction agreement from the Ohio Department of Administrative Services – Office of Real Estate and Planning to transfer Bryson Hall from Ohio State – Marion to Marion Tech on October 7th. Once signed by all parties, Bryson Hall will officially become the College's property.

Monitoring Reports

EL 4.5 – Financial Condition

Chief Financial Officer Rhonda Ward presented the finance report as of September 30, 2021, as evidence of compliance with EL Policy 4.5 - Financial Conditions. She provided an overview of revenues and expenses, cash position, and also referred the Board to the following items in her written report.

- The net operating surplus was attributed to lost revenue through CARES/HEERF federal stimulus funding. HEERF spending in FY21 was approximately \$1.5 million, including \$750,000 in lost revenue.
- The College is working to resolve a modeling error used to adjust last year's cost-share. Ohio State-Marion had provided an audit confirm prior to the error being realized. Several options are being discussed to minimize the impact of any prior period adjustment.
- A revised budget was presented to the Board, including a tuition and fee revenue projection decline of approximately \$330,000, based on enrollment modelling. The College's Budget Committee has been engaged in the process to share expense reductions

and revenue generation ideas. The largest expense reduction is holding open positions vacant and restructuring departments for efficiency, in addition to reducing travel and expensing to available grants.

- \$64,000 of subsidy revenue is provided by the state as a stop-loss for a change in how developmental education is funded by ODHE, now with more financial support for co-requisite models that MTC has already adopted.

Ms. Iyengar moved to approve the monitoring reports, and the revised budget as presented during the financial report, and Dr. Hamper seconded the motion. By a unanimous vote, the reports were approved.

Policy Review/Governance Issues

Policy reviews planned for the meeting will be pushed to the November 2021 Board meeting due to lack of time.

Informational Items

Dr. McCall extended an invite to the trustees to attend the Association of Community College Trustees' National Legislative Summit in Washington D.C. from February 6-9, 2022.

Dr. McCall will be travelling to Washington D.C. on November 2nd to attend the American Association of Community Colleges' Rural College Commission meeting. He will also take time to visit with the College's legislative delegation to advocate for extending HEERF federal stimulus funds past the May 2022 deadline.

Executive Session

No executive session was held.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Anderson adjourned the Board at 5:45 p.m.