

Delta College
Board of Trustees Special Meeting
Delta College Lecture Theater G160 or Virtually via Zoom (1-989-205-6099 Webinar ID 810 6304 2557)
Held in person and virtually in accordance with Public Act 254 of 2020 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic
(Due to declaration of a Local State of Emergency by the Bay County Executive on April 6, 2021 and
Bay County Board of Commissioners resolution No. 2021-59 on April 13, 2021, extending the
Local Emergency Order for a three-month period to expire on July 13, 2021.)
Wednesday, June 2, 2021
7:00 pm

Board Present	A. Baldwin, M. Benecke, A. Buckley, R. Emrich, S. Gannon, D. Middleton, M. Nash, M. Rowley, M. Thomas
Board Absent	None
Others Present	D. Allen, P. Anderson, T. Brown, P. Clark, S. Clauss, M. Crawmer, C. Curtis, J. Dorcey, S. DuFresne, A. Elias, M. Gavin, L. Govitz, M. Groulx, S. Harrison, S. Lewless, D. McQuiston, O. Montague, K. Rische, E. Roth, S. Shinkel, K. Schuler, A. Ursuy, J. Young
Press Present	None
Call to Order	Board Chair, M. Nash read a meeting overview at 7:00 pm.

Good evening,

The Board is authorized to hold this meeting with the option for virtual participation through the Zoom platform in compliance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act as amended (Public Act 254 of 2020) which permits a public body to meet by electronic or telephonic means upon declaration of a local state of emergency if meeting in person would place at risk the personal health or safety of members of the public or members of the public body. On April 6, 2021, the County Executive of Bay County declared a Local State of Emergency. On April 13, 2021, the Bay County Board of Commissioners issued resolution No. 2021-59, extending the Local Emergency Order for a three-month period to expire on July 13, 2021.

The Zoom platform allows participants to participate virtually via phone or computer and ensures that the public can participate in this meeting.

For those joining us today, we want to ensure everyone can hear the board meeting. To minimize audio feedback, we ask all virtual participants NOT to use any speakerphone options.

All participants are currently muted to prevent any background noise or feedback. Board members will be unmuted to allow full participation during the meeting.

I have asked our Assistant Board Secretary, Talisa Brown; and Kay Schuler, Administrative Assistant in the President's Office, to serve as moderators to assist me with today's meeting.

Our moderators will note those who wish to address the Board and will unmute your lines one by one, announcing who is being unmuted.

Please note that all votes will be taken via roll call by our Board Secretary, Andrea Ursuy. In addition, “the amendments (to the Open Meetings Act that went into effect on October 16, 2020) impose a new requirement for any member of the public body participating remotely to publicly announce, at the outset of the meeting, that he or she is participating remotely. If the announcing member's remote participation is for any reason other than military duty, the member must announce his or her physical location "by stating the county, city, township, or village and state from which he or she is attending the meeting remotely." The member's public announcement must be included in the meeting minutes.”

Therefore, our Board Secretary, Andrea Ursuy, will take attendance immediately after I call the meeting to order. When she calls your name, please say “here” and, if you are participating remotely, announce the city, township, or village; county; and state from which you are attending the meeting.

If members of the public wish to address the Board, you may do so during the public comment portion of the meeting, which is on our agenda and will be announced by the Board Chair.

At that time, those wishing to address the Board should indicate their desire to speak by pressing *9 (star-9) or the “raise hand” option.

Notes on rules for public comment, when you are acknowledged by the Board Chair, we ask that you state your name and you may state your county of residence. As outlined in the Board of Trustees Bylaws, please limit your comments to five minutes.

Board Chair, M. Nash called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Board Member Attendance

Each Trustee indicated their presence, township or city, county and state in which they were participating in this meeting.

- A. Baldwin – Present, Spaulding Township, Saginaw County, Michigan
- M. Benecke – Present
- A. Buckley – Present, City of midland, Midland County, Michigan
- R. Emrich - Present
- S. Gannon – Present
- D. Middleton – Present
- M. Nash – Present
- M. Rowley – Present
- M. Thomas – Present

Approval of Agenda

Board Chair, M. Nash, called for the approval of the agenda. S. Gannon made a motion to approve the agenda. D. Middleton seconded the motion.

The results of the roll call vote are as follows:

A. Baldwin – Yes
M. Benecke – Yes
A. Buckley – Yes
R. Emrich – Yes
S. Gannon – Yes
D. Middleton – Yes
M. Nash – Yes
M. Rowley – Yes
M. Thomas – Yes

Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment Board Chair, M. Nash called for public comment.

Interview of Presidential Candidate – Dr. Michael Gavin Board Chair, M. Nash started with introductions of the candidate as well as the Trustees. For 60 minutes, Trustees took turns asking the candidate interview questions. Dr. Michael Gavin was given the opportunity to ask the Trustees questions for 30 minutes.

Trustee Comments R. Emrich thanked Dr. Michael Gavin.

M. Thomas thanked Dr. Michael Gavin noting that it was a pleasure to meet and have a conversation with him. She thanked everyone else for all the work that they did. Finally, she noted that this has been a great journey.

S. Gannon echoed M. Thomas' comments and noted that it was a long day.

M. Rowley thanked Dr. Michael Gavin for taking the time to interview today. He also noted that he forgot to mention earlier that he is a proud Delta graduate.

D. Middleton thanked Dr. Michael Gavin for the opportunity to meet him and for being part of this process. She also thanked everyone behind the scenes as well as her fellow Trustees. Finally, she gave special thanks to M. Benecke for leading the charge.

M. Benecke thanked the members of the Presidential Search Advisory Committee for their collaborative and thoughtful effort. She also said that it had been a pleasure to spend time with Dr. Michael Gavin.

A. Baldwin thanked Dr. Michael Gavin for coming to campus for this interview. She wished him a safe trip home. She again thanked the IT team for their work in making it possible for virtual participation and the committee who helped make all of this happen.

A. Buckley thanked Dr. Michael Gavin for his time and consideration and appreciated his thoughtful responses and his insight. He wished him safe travel returning home.

Chair Comments M. Nash thanked Dr. Michael Gavin as well as the Board Members. He commended their support in this process and said that the work is just beginning. Finally, he noted that it has been time intensive but the time we have spent now is going to pay us back in the long run.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Board Chair, M. Nash adjourned the meeting at 8:44 pm.

Talisa Brown, Assistant Board Secretary