

MINUTES

BOARD OF CONTROL
SAGINAW VALLEY COLLEGEREGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
SVC Board Room - Wickes Hall
January 14, 1974

Present: Curtiss
Gilmore
Kendall
Runkel
Vaupre
Zahnnow

Others

Present: Bologna
Capitan
Dickey
Driver
Gross
Kearns
Marble
Smith
Whittaker
Press (4)
Students (14)

Absent: Arbury, excused
Cartwright "

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. and declared a quorum present.

II. RECOGNITION OF OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF FACULTY ASSOCIATION

The presence of Dr. William Smith, President of the SVC Faculty Association, was recognized by the chair. Dr. Smith said he was shocked to learn of the resignation of Dr. Marble from the presidency of the College. His contributions to the development of higher education in the Tri-City area has been a great benefit to everyone.

III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

BM-372 Rev. Runkel moved that the minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting held December 17, 1973 be approved as mailed.
Mr. Kendall seconded.

Ayes: Curtiss, Gilmore, Kendall, Runkel, Vaupre, Zahnow

Absent: Arbury, Cartwright

Motion carried.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. James Barcia, President of the Student Government, distributed copies of his State of College Address which he gave on January 9th.

Mr. Barcia said he would like to say a few words with regard to Dr. Marble's resignation. Jim said that in his early relationship with Dr. Marble, they had some fundamental differences of opinion, but over the past seven months Dr. Marble has listened to students with sensitivity and sincerity. He has put forth such an effort to solve student problems that he has won my personal respect and admiration. Let us never forget that Saginaw Valley College owes its existence principally to Dr. Marble. The establishment of a four-year institution in the Saginaw Valley was a task nothing short of monumental. Because of this man's efforts, higher education is available to the Tri-County community.

Mr. Barcia said that the Student Government's concern is now with the selection of the individual who will be replacing Dr. Marble. Student Government should, along with the SVC Faculty Association, be given a voice in the selection and hiring of the new president. Hopefully, the new president will be as responsive to student problems as was Dr. Marble. We will be interested in finding out what the presidential candidates feel the role of student government at Saginaw Valley College should be.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. Reading Program

Dr. Marble said he noticed an editorial in the Bay City Times observing the merit of SVC's discovery of a relationship between reading ability and juvenile delinquency. It is rewarding to have a newspaper recognize the effort that has been made.

B. Registration

Dr. Marble reported that as a rule there is a slump in the registration for the second semester. This year, however, there is an increase of over 1,000 credit hours and the FYE's are up 122. This is above the figures given SVC by the State and above our own budget figures.

C. Governor's Commission on Higher Education

This Commission was appointed about a year ago by the Governor and he gave them a charge to meet "the crises of confidence in Michigan colleges and universities." He declared that the Legislature, the citizens, the students, and the public at large had lost confidence in the State's institutions of higher learning.

One primary aspect of the proposal would be to change the structure of the Institutional boards of control. Each board would have nine members appointed for a term of six years duration with no party having more than five members on the board.

D. Poland Visit

The Commission that visited Poland has recommended that SVC be designated as the agent for all transfer programs for Poland, which means that any one of the 381 State colleges and universities would register for study at SVC. SVC would then work out the arrangements with that country.

E. Resignation

Dr. Marble said that he would like to terminate his responsibilities as President of the College and presented his letter of resignation to the Chairman. He asked the Board's permission to depart and said he would be glad to have them do what they wished with the letter.

The Chairman read the following letter:

January 11, 1974

"Mr. Charles Curtiss, Chairman
Board of Control
Saginaw Valley College
University Center, Michigan 48710

Dear Charles:

For some time now I have been considering opening up a new chapter in my life, and the conclusion of the activities making the completion of ten years in the life of the College appear to offer an opportunity to make such a decision. Therefore, I should like to submit to you my resignation as President of Saginaw Valley College for the action of the Board at the regular meeting on January 14th.

I am deeply grateful for the opportunity the Board has given me to play a part in the growth of this fine institution. I should also like to express appreciation to my many friends on the Board of Fellows. Members of my staff and others have supported and sustained me. Bill Groening is a man I shall always admire, and as Chairman of the Board for those ten years his counsel has been of enormous value. To all my other friends I express gratitude.

Faithfully yours,

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(Signed) Samuel D. Marble"

Rev. Runkel said that sometime back he resigned from a job which he held a little longer than Sam Marble had this one, and he thought that the people would have been happy if he stayed another twenty years. It isn't easy to quit a job, because you know that you have done a better job than most people think you have. In his own case, he left his job because he felt it was better for himself as he wanted to grow.

BM-373 Rev. Runkel moved that the resignation of Dr. Samuel D. Marble as President of Saginaw Valley College be accepted, and that he be given the name of President Emeritus of Saginaw Valley College.

Mr. Vaupre seconded.

Mr. Curtiss said that he knows that there are some programs in which Dr. Marble is involved and he would hope that Dr. Marble would continue to assist with those programs.

Ayes: Curtiss, Gilmore, Kendall, Runkel, Vaupre, Zahnow
Absent: Arbury, Cartwright

Motion carried.

BM-374 Mr. Vaupre said that in the interest of continuity only, he moved that Dr. William Capitan, Vice President for Academic Affairs, be appointed Acting President with all the authority and responsibility of the position, effective January 15, 1974.
Rev. Runkel seconded.

Ayes: Curtiss, Gilmore, Kendall, Runkel, Vaupre, Zahnow
Absent: Arbury, Cartwright

Motion carried.

The Chairman thanked Dr. Marble for his many years of service and expressed good luck to Dr. Capitan.

Dr. Capitan thanked Dr. Marble for the opportunity to work for him for the past four years. He enjoyed the experience with him, the opportunity to learn from him, and to know him. He could not have hoped to work for a better, more skilled administrator.

The Chairman said he would like to consider the procedure to select a new president. He asked the approval of the Board to appoint a Selection Committee, making it clear that it is constitutionally the responsibility of the Board to select the president. He suggested that the committee be composed of six members: two members of the Board of Control, one administrator, one faculty member, one SVC student, and an individual from the Tri-County community at large. He hoped that the committee could be appointed soon to convene and advertise the vacancy.

- BM-375 Dr. Gilmore moved that a Selection Committee be appointed consisting of two representatives from the Board of Control, one administrator, one faculty member, one student, and one representative from the community-at-large.
Rev. Runkel seconded.

Ayes: Curtiss, Gilmore, Kendall, Runkel, Vaupre, Zahnow
Absent: Arbury, Cartwright

Motion carried.

F. Poulton-Le-Fylde College of Education

Dr. Leslie Whittaker, Associate Professor of English, explained an exchange proposal between SVC and Poulton-le-Fylde College, near Blackpool, England. Dr. Whittaker said this proposal arose out of his visit to England during his sabbatical last spring. During the experimental year, two faculty members and twenty students from this college would visit SVC in the spring. SVC faculty members and students also may visit the English college. The College is a teacher training institution, affiliated with the University of Lancaster. Its degrees are awarded through the University of Lancaster. They are willing and anxious to cooperate with SVC. There would be no financial cost to SVC except the possibility of room and board while they are here.

- BM-376 Rev. Runkel moved that the proposal between SVC and Poulton-le-Fylde College, near Blackpool, England, be implemented.
Mr. Zahnow seconded.

Ayes: Curtiss, Gilmore, Kendall, Runkel, Vaupre, Zahnow
Absent: Arbury, Cartwright

Motion carried.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Academic Committee

No report.

B. Athletic Committee

No report.

C. Building Committee

Dr. Gilmore said that the College is considering the purchase of a house in Midland to be used for the Triskelion Consignment Shop.

RES-176 Dr. Gilmore presented the following resolution for adoption:

WHEREAS, The College desires to purchase a certain piece of real property located in the City of Midland, Midland County, Michigan, and described as: The Northeasterly 60 feet of Lot 4, Block 26, of the City of Midland, according to the recorded plat thereof:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the administration is hereby authorized to purchase said property for \$30,000, plus incidental closing costs as an expenditure from the Designated Fund.

Rev. Runkel seconded.

Ayes: Curtiss, Gilmore, Kendall, Runkel, Vaupre, Zahnow

Absent: Arbury, Cartwright

Resolution adopted.

D. Finance Committee

Mr. Zahnow said that from time to time College securities are sold requiring the signature of the present officers, and he presented a resolution for adoption.

RES-177 Mr. Vaupre offered the following resolution for adoption:

RESOLVED, That Charles B. Curtiss, as Chairman, John W. Kendall, as Vice Chairman, Melvin J. Zahnow, as Treasurer, and Russell B. Driver, as Vice President, or any of them, be and they are hereby authorized to sell, assign and endorse for transfer, certificates representing stocks, bonds or other securities now registered or hereafter registered in the name of this corporation.

Dr. Gilmore seconded.

Ayes: Curtiss, Gilmore, Kendall, Runkel, Vaupre, Zahnow

Absent: Arbury, Cartwright

Resolution adopted.

VII. OTHER MATTERS

None.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at -
8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles B. Curtiss

Charles B. Curtiss - Chairman

Dorothy D. Arbury

Dorothy D. Arbury - Secretary

Gladys A. Kearns

Gladys A. Kearns - Recording Secretary

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