SVSU. BOARD OF CONTROL MINUTES

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SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF CONTROL MARCH 15, 1995 REGULAR MEETING

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MINUTES BOARD OF CONTROL

Regular Meeting

1:30 p.m.

Board of Control Room - Wickes Hall March 15, 1995

Present: Braun

Curtiss

Gilbertson

Kelly Roberts Rush Ward

Absent: Escobedo

Walpole

Others

J. Fallon Present:

M. Frahm

C. Graham

S. Hocquard

C. Lange

K. Nowaczyk

J. Olvera

R. Payne

F. Porterfield

W. Rathkamp

P. Saft

D. Schneider

J. Stanley

C. Tatum

R. Thompson

J. Woodcock

R. Yien

Press (2)

Regular Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Rush called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

II. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

Approval of Agenda and Additions and Deletions to Agenda A.

Chairperson Rush asked that a resolution to appoint a nominating committee for the May Board elections be added to the agenda as Action Item #3.

B. Approval of Minutes of February 6, 1995 Regular Meeting

It was moved and supported that the minutes of the February 6, 1995 monthly meeting be approved.

The minutes were unanimously approved as distributed.

C. Recognition of the Official Representative of the Faculty Association

As the official representative of the Faculty Association was not present, Chairperson Rush asked that Procedural Item C be covered later in the meeting.

D. Communications and Requests to Appear Before the Board

There were no communications or requests to appear before the Board.

III. **ACTION ITEMS**

1) Resolution to Modify General Fund Operating Budget for FY94-95

RES-1140 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, The Board of Control adopted on November 14, 1994 a modified general fund operating budget for fiscal year 1994-95, and

WHEREAS, Subsequent to that date the University administration has further revised its revenue and expenditure estimates to reflect changes to various revenue categories and expenditure allocations required for compensation, services, supplies, and equipment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the attached schedule indicating a recommended revised base budget be adopted for fiscal year 1994-95. (See Appendix One: Budget)

President Gilbertson reminded the Board that this was its fourth action with regard to the annual operating budget for the current fiscal year, which began with the adoption of the resolution of goals and objectives. The Board then adopted the budget which was modified in November, once Fall Semester enrollments were known. Resolution 1140 would modify the budget once again to reflect the real revenue and expenditure numbers, now that Winter enrollments are in hand.

The revised budget includes relatively modest changes (a 0.54% reduction in tuition and fee income, and a 0.24 reduction in overall income). This drop in income occurred because while a larger number of students enrolled in the Winter Semester, they took fewer credit hours than had been anticipated. The resulting \$83,000 reduction in income will be offset against compensation and supplies and materials budgets in a manner that has no effect on the bottom line of the budget.

Chairperson Rush asked for questions or comments.

Hearing none, he called for the vote.

The motion was approved unanimously.

- 2) Resolution to Expand Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery Board
- RES-1141 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, In accordance with the By-laws of the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery Board, the Gallery Board may recommend to the SVSU Board of Control expansion or contraction of the active membership of the Gallery Board, and

WHEREAS, The Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery Board membership is currently limited to eleven members (Mr. and Mrs. Marshall M. Fredericks, Mr. and Mrs. Ned S. Arbury, Ms. Barbara Heller, Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Cargill, Mrs. Anne Thompson, Mrs. Lyla Williams, Mr. John W. Martin, Jr., and Dr. Robert S. P. Yien -- all of whom are on three-year appointments except the Fredericks, who have lifetime memberships), and

WHEREAS, The expansion of the Gallery Board is needed to ensure broader representation and increased resources,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery Board membership limit may be raised to fifteen (15) members,

AND, FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Gallery Board will identify and recommend to the President and SVSU Board of Control individuals for Gallery Board membership.

President Gilbertson stated that the Gallery Board had been very supportive of the efforts of the Gallery, both in fundraising and in guiding the direction of its acquisitions and maintenance. It is the judgment of the Gallery Board itself that it should be expanded to involve more people in its work. The University administration supports and recommends this resolution.

Chairperson Rush asked for discussion or questions. Hearing none, he called for the vote.

The motion was approved unanimously.

- 3) Resolution to Appoint Nominating Committee for May Board Elections
- RES-1142 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control bylaws stipulate that a nominating committee shall be appointed by the Board to recommend candidates for each office; and

WHEREAS, The committee shall consider the ability, the availability and individual interests of members when selecting members to be nominated for an office;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That George Ward (Chair), Donna Roberts and Elias Escobedo be appointed to serve as the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control nominating committee.

Chairperson Rush noted that it is standard Board procedure at this time each year to appoint a nominating committee to recommend a slate of officers to be voted on in May. He stated that he had asked George Ward to chair this committee, which would also include

Trustees Roberts and Escobedo.

Chairperson Rush asked for comments or questions. Hearing none, he called for the vote.

The motion was approved unanimously.

IV. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

4) Recognition of the Official Representative of the Faculty Association

Chairperson Rush recognized Professor David Schneider, President of the Faculty Association, who stated:

Last week the faculty met to ratify our curriculum, and we did ratify a total of 59 proposals. But the biggest news was the great debate over our General Education curriculum, and in particular a category that we call literature and major works of literature. The debate was essentially over what constitutes the word "major." Some view it as being a list of great books, and others want to expand that list of great books. I'm glad to report that the debate was largely philosophical in nature and generally concerned what is best for our students. . . . We feel so strongly about this matter that although normally this would end our curricular ratification actions for the academic year, Dr. Yien (Vice President for Academic Affairs) and I have agreed it's important enough -- and since there are seven items still left on the table that we need to try and deal with -- that we will schedule another meeting yet this semester.

Another thing that has been keeping faculty busy, as you know, is the future planning activity. Another rendition of our future planning report arrived in my mail box yesterday. This activity has kept Dr. Braddock, as well as many others, quite busy this year. It's essentially the same activity that you were briefed on at the Retreat last January. As some of you know, Dr. Gilbertson has already formed some groups on campus to meet some of the obvious charges of the report, namely retention and assessment. In my view, we have made a significant amount of progress on this front in the last ten months—however, most of the work still lies ahead of us.

Two contracts ago, the faculty and administration instituted what is now called the professorial continuing achievement award. The purpose of the award was to develop a mechanism for evaluating tenured full professors who have been in rank for at least five years. These are some of our most senior people. To date, 26 of these awards have been distributed. Our contract allows for ten more awards to be distributed this year. There has been a lot of activity preparing for this year's deliberations. Candidates must prepare files and arrange for classroom visits from peers and department members. We talk to students, read evaluations and examine scholarship and service. Given the nature of the candidates that I have personally evaluated, this year's committee will have a tough charge to meet, since the number of awards are limited.

5) <u>Discussion of Charter School Policy</u>

President Gilbertson noted the Board had adopted a policy last November to provide the procedures through which organizations or individuals interested in applying for a charter through SVSU might proceed. The whole matter was thrown into some confusion because of litigation, however, and was put on hold.

President Gilbertson stated: "It now appears that there is much more of a green light, and we want to bring this up again before the Board to remind ourselves and others that we are open for business."

Dr. Wayne Vasher, Director of School/University Partnerships and Director of Planning for Michigan Academy of Technology, told the Board a letter had been sent to the people who had expressed an interest last fall, reminding them to consider getting their applications in soon so there will be time to review them. In addition, approximately ten applications and policies have been sent out within the last month or so.

President Gilbertson added that some flexibility regarding the time line for applications might be necessary because of the confusion caused by the litigation.

Chairperson Rush noted that a press release would be sent out to let people know that SVSU has a policy in existence and is accepting applications.

Trustee Ward then updated the Board on the progress of the litigation related to Public School Academies.

6) Staff Member of the Month

Steven L. Hocquard, Staff Member of the Month for March, was presented to the Board. (See Appendix Two: Hocquard)

7) <u>Personnel Report</u>

President Gilbertson reviewed the Personnel Report. (See Appendix Three: Personnel)

8) Founders Hall Update

Steven Hocquard, Director of Engineering Services, told the Board that bids had been received from eight contractors for construction of the Founders Hall. The bids were very competitive, with Wolgast Construction of Freeland submitting the successful bid of \$1.26 million. Construction could start by the end of April, with completion expected by January of 1996.

9) Presentation on SVSU Regional Mathematics and Science Center

Dr. Walter Rathkamp, Director of SVSU's Regional Math/Science Center, explained several of the Center's programs for area K-12 schools. He distributed information packets on the programs and discussed Project SOLVE (Science Outreach Leadership Venture for Excellence), which gives elementary and middle school science teachers professional development in science content and educational delivery methods. SOLVE workshops include presentations by University faculty in biology, physics, chemistry, earth science, higher level thinking skills, and discussions of alternative educational techniques, equity

issues and assessment. Teachers have extensive use of laboratories for practicing hands-on science activities during the workshop under the guidance of a K-8 teacher as lab instructor. During the second week, children participate with the teachers in activities learned the

previous week. A high school component of this project was added last year.

Project MOLVE (Mathematics Outreach Leadership Venture for Excellence), includes a similar two-week summer workshop which was developed to assist teachers in implementing newly adopted K-12 mathematics curriculum into the classroom. It involves presentations on algebra, measurements/geometry, statistics/probability and

The Regional Math/Science Center also has developed a Resource Library for use by area educators, consisting of materials gathered from various sources including NASA, publishing companies and educational suppliers. The Center also publishes a newsletter to disseminate information related to the various projects and services available through the Center.

Approximately 50 school districts have participated in one or more of the Center's programs since its inception. The Center's budget is now about \$300,000.

Dr. Rathkamp then discussed SEMSplus, the Michigan Mathematics and Science Centers Network, the Greater Saginaw Valley Regional Education Cooperative (GSVREC) and the Michigan Statewide Systemic Initiative (MSSI).

V. REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

calculators/computers by University faculty.

President Gilbertson told the Board about the "Literacy Link," an in-house publication which comes out twice a year, which focuses on the teaching of writing across the curriculum.

He also reviewed various upcoming events on campus, as well as recent publications by faculty members.

VI. OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION OR ACTION

There were no other items for consideration or action.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

10) Motion to Adjourn

BM-863 It was moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned.

The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Thomas E. Rush Chairperson

Robert H. Walpole Secretary

o A. Stanley

Recording Secretary

Appendix One: Budget

SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY MODIFICATION OF GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET FY95

	BASE	REVISED	NET CHANGE	
	FY95	FY95	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u>
REVENUES:				
Appropriation	\$17,845,216	\$17,845,216	0	_
Tuition & Fees	15,453,000	15,370,000	(83,000)	(0.54)
Miscellaneous	1,542,914	1,542,914	0	-
	34,841,130	34,758,130	(83,000)	(0.24)
EXPENDITURE ALLOCATIONS:				
Compensation	25,515,409	25,478,280	(37,129)	(0.15)
Supplies, Materials, & Services	8,572,841	8,526,970	(45,871)	(0.54)
Capital	752,880	752,880	0	
	34,841,130	34,758,130	(83,000)	(0.24)
Revenue Over/(Under) Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	
FUND BALANCE				
Balance at Beginning of Year, 7/01/94	\$390,681			
Revenue Over/(Under) Expenditures, FY19	0_			
Anticipated Fund Balance at 6/30/95	<u>\$390,681</u>			



STAFF MEMBER

OF THE MONTH

Steven L. Hocquard

Although his title is Director of Engineering Services, Steve Hocquard does not hold an engineering degree. Instead, he earned both a bachelor's and master's degree in architecture.

Director Engineering Services "I went into architecture because it covers more ground than almost any other field," he says. "You have to worry about the art aspect of things as well as plant layout, upkeep and landscaping. You have to know about construction techniques and costs. Architecture is so diverse that I thought it would be very interesting."

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Since arriving at SVSU in mid-1992, Hocquard has had ample opportunity to put his diverse training to work. He came on board just in time to be deeply involved in the planning and oversight of West Complex construction, as well as the soon-to-be-built Founders Building. He also played a key role in the recent renovation project that transformed Doan Center.

But Hocquard cautions that his job involves much more than just new construction. "People think of new construction as obvious; they can see it. But we are always in a mode of remodeling or planning for the future and securing money to support new construction, repair and renovation," he says. "We spend about one quarter to a third of our time on new construction."



Hocquard notes that West Complex was in the works for quite a few years. "Now it is starting to look like a building. By next fall, from the outside it will look like a real building."

The Founders Building, next to start, goes out for bids this week. "Bids should be received the second week of March," he says, and construction should begin in the spring.

"We have a list of probably 200 projects that have been requested," Hocquard explains. "I do not have funding for the projects in this office. We have to categorize, estimate and prioritize. Then, when funds are available, administrators will ask to look at those lists."

The requested projects can range in size from small jobs such as installing a parking meter or putting a new fan in the Bagel Wagon to the just-finished renovation of the '66-'68 (Service-Administrative Services) Building. Roofs and floors sometimes need repair or replacement, too, Hocquard says.

"We deal with long rang planning. A new Campus Master Plan update is nearing conclusion," he says.

Hocquard notes that changing technology has a dramatic impact on building design. "Telecommunications present a big challenge. It is shifting the boundaries of where departments start and stop. It even changes definitions," he says. "If you can store large volumes of information on a small computer chip, what exactly is a library? What should it look like?

"We are finding that we have to be a lot more flexible in terms of spaces and how they are used. We build wiring trays and conduits within the building so we can accommodate needs today, but change easily in the future. We put in walls that can be moved and desks that are not fixed."

Hocquard is proud of his staff, which includes a project engineer, administrative secretary and two student interns. "The work ethic at SVSU has always impressed me. I enjoy all my work. SVSU is a good place to be."

Appendix Three: Personnel

Current Positions Filled

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ADMINISTRATIVE/PROFESSIONAL

<u>Diane C. Boehm</u> - Hired as Director of University Writing Programs (new). Ms. Boehm received a B.A. from Concordia University and an M.A. from the University of Wisconsin. Prior to accepting this position Ms. Boehm was a member of the adjunct faculty at SVSU and also a Composition Instructor at the University of Michigan - Flint.

<u>Charles M. Graham</u> - Hired as Director of Development and the Foundation (replacement). Mr. Graham holds a B.S. from Purdue University and has done graduate work at Western Michigan University. Mr. Graham comes to SVSU after completing a 33 year career with Consumers Power Company.

<u>James E. O'Neill, Jr.</u> - Hired as Coordinator of State Relations (new). Mr. O'Neill holds an A.B. from Central Michigan University and an M.F.A. from the University of Michigan. Mr. O'Neill was most recently the state representative for the 95th district.

<u>David M. Quesada</u> - Hired as Bilingual/Teacher Education Academic Advisor (replacement). Mr. Quesada possesses a B.A. from the University of Michigan and was employed as a Case Manager II/Supervisor for Telamon Corporation prior to joining SVSU.

<u>Craig T. Tatum</u> - Director of Affirmative Action/Multicultural Programs (replacement). Mr. Tatum received both a B.A. and an M.A. from SVSU. Prior to accepting this position Mr. Tatum was employed by the Saginaw Public Schools as the director of Project SUCCESS - Saginaw Unified Community Creating Excellence and Student Support.