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SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF CONTROL
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REGULAR FORMAL SESSION
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BOARD OF CONTROL
Regular Formal Session
August 21, 2006
1:30 p.m.

Board of Control Room, Third Floor Wickes Hall

Present: Abbs
Braun
Gamez
Gilbertson
Karu
Law
Sedrowski
Wilson
Yantz

Absent:

Others

Present: D. Bachand
L. Beuthin
J. Boehm
S. Crane
C. Dorne
J. Gushow
E. Hamilton
M. Hedberg
D. Huntley
S. Kazar
L. Kohn
R. Maurovich
J. Muladore
C. Ramet
W. Rathkamp
K. Schindler
S. Shepardson
J. Stanley
A. Suszek
G. Thompson
R. Thompson
M. Thorns
R. Tuttle
D. Tyger
R. Williams
Press

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Yantz called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. with Board members Braun, Gamez, Sedrowski and Wilson in attendance. He noted that a quorum was present.

II. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

A. Approval of Agenda and Additions to and Deletions from the Agenda

There were no additions to or deletions from the agenda.

The agenda was unanimously APPROVED as distributed.

B. Approval of Minutes of June 12, 2006 Regular Formal Session of the Board of Control

It was moved and supported that the minutes of the June 12, 2006 Regular Formal Session be approved.

The minutes were unanimously APPROVED as written.

C. Recognition of the Official Representative of the Faculty Association

Professor Gary Thompson, President-Elect of the Faculty Association, told the Board that he will be teaching a class on Monday afternoons during the fall semester, so Camille Cammack, Vice President of the Faculty Association, will substitute for him during those meetings.

(Trustee Karu joined the meeting at 1:35 p.m.)

D. Communications and Requests to Appear Before the Board

Lorie Kohn, Staff Member of the Month for June, and Dan Tyger, Staff Member of the Month for July, were presented to the Board. (See Appendix One: Kohn and Appendix Two: Tyger.)

(Trustee Law joined the meeting at 1:37 p.m.)

The following newly-appointed administrative/professional staff members were introduced to the Board: Dr. Mary Hedberg, Interim Dean of the College of Arts and Behavioral Sciences; Dr. Deborah Huntley, Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs and Assessment; Dr. Clifford Dorne, Associate Vice President for Graduate Recruitment and Program Development; Dr. Stephen Kazar, Special Assistant to the President for International Programs.

III. ACTION ITEMS

1. Resolution to Grant Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees

RES-1710 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, Saginaw Valley State University is granted the authority to confer undergraduate and graduate degrees as outlined in Section 5 of Public and Local Acts of Michigan 1965; and

WHEREAS, Operating Policy 3.101 Article III of the Board reserves to the Board the authority to grant degrees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University approve the awarding of undergraduate and graduate degrees at the August 21, 2006 Commencement as certified by the faculty and Registrar.

President Gilbertson noted that approximately 200 students would participate in this evening's ceremony. Paul Chaffee, the Editor/Publisher of *The Saginaw News*, would be the speaker.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

2. Resolution to Approve Athletic Facilities Improvements – Phase III

RES-1711 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, The Finance and Audit Committee has considered a long-range plan to improve campus athletic facilities; and

WHEREAS, The Board previously approved Phase I renovations to the athletic facilities (Resolution 1624 dated December 17, 2004) and Phase II renovations (Resolution 1677 dated December 16, 2005); and

WHEREAS, The Board intends to continue with future development of the facilities over an extended period of time; and

WHEREAS, It has been determined that improvements are needed for the women's softball field and the men's baseball field (Phase III):

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board hereby authorize the President or Vice President for Administration and Business Affairs to enter into contracts to complete the Phase III project with a budget of \$850,000.

James Muladore, Vice President for Administration and Business Affairs, told the Board that it made good economic sense to begin work on Phase III of the athletic facilities renovations at this time, as the area adjacent to the women's softball field and the men's baseball field is already torn up because of work on Phase II renovations. The softball and baseball fields are in disrepair, the dugouts need to be completely rebuilt and the seating areas need to be redone and tied into the concession stand project, which is part of Phase II.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

3. Resolution to Approve Energy Conservation Projects

RES-1712 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, The campus utility usage is actively managed; and

WHEREAS, The University engaged a consulting engineer to identify potential energy saving actions; and

WHEREAS, The consultant has recommended specific measures which, when implemented, will result in reduced utility usage;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board authorize the President or Vice President for Administration & Business Affairs to complete projects specified on the attached list with a project budget of \$425,000. (See Appendix Three: Projects)

Mr. Muladore told the Board that the administration has been continuously seeking and

implementing ways to reduce energy use on campus. Appendix Three lists additional conservation measures which would cost the University approximately \$400,000. It is expected that in excess of \$100,000 in savings will be achieved annually, at a payback of 3.2 to 3.3 percent.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

4. Resolution to Approve Permit Application to the Michigan Department of Transportation

RES-1713 It was moved and supported that the attached resolution be adopted.
(See Appendix Four: Permit)

Mr. Muladore stated that Resolution 1713 would allow the University to receive a permit from the State of Michigan to maintain the boulevard on Bay Road west of campus.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

(Trustee Abbs joined the meeting at 1:55.)

IV. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. Report on National Science Foundation Grant

Dr. Robert Tuttle, Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering, and Professor Sally Shepardson of the Biology Department reviewed the grant they had submitted to the National Science Foundation entitled: "MRI: Acquisition of a Transmission Electron Microscope and an Energy Dispersive Spectrometer to Assist a Broader Group of Students and Faculty," for which the University had received a grant of \$453,041. They noted that the grant would enable the faculty to conduct more research at SVSU and would provide a broader range of students access to electron microscopy techniques. It would also permit the University to acquire new equipment including a

Transmission Electron Microscope, an Energy Dispersive Spectrometer, and sample preparation equipment for materials.

6. Update on Math/Science Center

Dr. Walter R. Rathkamp, Executive Director of the Center for Science & Mathematics Education and the SVSU Regional Math/Science Center, told the Board that the Center has active programs in support of both undergraduate and graduate science and mathematics education as well as major efforts in outreach for mathematics and science education initiatives for K-12 teachers and students. The University has received grants to fund these activities since 1986.

Dr. Rathkamp discussed some of the Center's recent efforts and successes since 2003. The grants received during that time are being used to work with high-need districts throughout the University's service area and have had a major impact on hundreds of teachers over the past three years.

Dr. Rathkamp concluded: "The biggest news is the pending state-wide dissemination grant that we are presently negotiating with the Michigan Department of Education. It's a major Federal Mathematics and Science Partnership grant to which the State is making a three-year commitment. The first two years will be for a little over \$2.4 million with an additional \$4.5 million committed from next year's award. The Michigan Department of Education is funding a joint proposal which we submitted that proposes to take Saginaw Valley State University's Teacher Specialist model and Grand Valley State University's Teacher Leader model (now called Teacher Specialist Leader) state-wide. We will build the infrastructure, through the 33 mathematics and science centers across the

State and train and support the Teacher Specialist Leaders at each of these centers. . . .The University of Michigan's content and leadership modules will be included in the training."

7. Report on Leadership Programs at SVSU

Dr. Carlos Ramet, Executive Assistant to the President, Dr. Mamie Thorns, Special Assistant to the President for Diversity Programs, and Dr. Robert Maurovich, Vice President for Student Services and Enrollment Management, reviewed the many and varied leadership programs offered at SVSU. Dr. Ramet also discussed the leadership classes held by the University.

8. Capital Projects Update

Mr. Muladore told the Board that in FY2006 campus facilities managed 90 projects with a budget of \$19 million. Phase III of the Village complex was completed in time for the fall semester, and the wing addition to Living Center South was completed by the winter semester. The heating and ventilating system for the Ryder Center pool was replaced, two dining projects were completed, the conferencing facilities were renovated, and the seating in the football stadium was expanded.

For FY2007, some 75 projects have been approved, with a budget of \$18 million, a large part of which will be utilized for the Pioneer Hall renovation and expansion. The old theatre has been converted into an auditorium, and the Engineering labs have been moved there temporarily until Pioneer Hall is completed. By next spring, the work on the campus landscape master plan will begin in earnest, and the informational sign on the corner of Bay and Pierce will be installed. Work is being done on the Athletic Complex, including the concession stand and the baseball and softball fields.

V. REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

President Gilbertson noted that this is an interesting transitional week, as one academic year is ending with Commencement tonight, and a new year is starting on Thursday with orientation, department meetings, and the Back to School Picnic. SVSU will have approximately 1,430 new freshmen this fall, about 900 of whom will be living on campus, and 150 of whom are on Presidential Scholarships.

VI. OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION OR ACTION

9. Motion to Move to Informal Session to Discuss Collective Bargaining

BM-1046 **It was moved and supported that the Board move to Informal Session to discuss collective bargaining.**

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

The Board moved to Informal Session at 3:20 p.m. and reconvened in Regular Formal Session at 3:38 p.m.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

10. Motion to Adjourn

BM-1047 **It was moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned.**

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

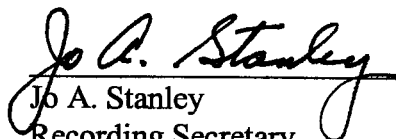
BOARD OF CONTROL
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Respectfully submitted:

Jerome L. Yantz
Chairman

K.P. Karunakaran
Secretary



Jo A. Stanley
Recording Secretary
Secretary to the Board of Control

Lorie Kohn

ADMINISTRATIVE PAYROLL CLERK • JUNE 2006

Whether you have direct deposit or still receive a paycheck, the actual process of getting paid is something most of us take for granted. We expect the money to be there. People like Lorie Kohn make sure that it is.

"We have two and a half days to process payroll; a lot goes into those two and a half days to make sure that it's right," she said. "There are double-checks and triple-checks to make sure."

"We have a lot of information to get in there, from benefits to a person's actual hours worked. For hourly personnel, if they've used vacation or sick time, we make sure that's charged against their leave-time balances."

Kohn says payroll is not what it used to be, because of computers.

"I've seen many changes in the past few years," she said.

One of those is the introduction of an automated time system for hourly staff.

"It seems there's always someone who forgot to update their time, and then they happen to be on vacation on Monday," she said with a chuckle, "but on the whole, it has made my job a lot easier."

Last year, Kohn and her colleagues moved from Wickes Hall to South Campus Complex.

"There's more commuting back and forth. On payroll weeks, I'm in Wickes every day," she said.

Kohn can often be seen carrying a box from Wickes first thing in the morning.

"The farther into the year it goes, the heavier that box gets, because (the records) are cumulative of all the payroll for the year," she said.

That is not Kohn's first workout of the day, however. She regularly uses the Fitness Center before going to work.

"I feel great (after working out)," she said. "It definitely makes a difference on your attitude and everything."

Kohn lists knitting, sewing and gardening among her relaxation activities, but one of her favorite pastimes is primitive camping with her husband, Roy.

"You're with nature – no phones, no deadlines, you can do what you want," she explained.

Kohn spent 23 years in the financial services industry before joining SVSU nine years ago.

"There's always something new to learn," she said.

Kohn does not take her work environment for granted.

"We have a great working team," she said. When it was crunch time at year-end, everybody pitched in. SVSU is a great place to work."



STAFF MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Dan Tyger

ONLINE TEACHING AND LEARNING COORDINATOR • JULY 2006

The ways in which students learn are constantly changing. Most come to college having spent much more time typing at a computer than reading a book. As faculty seek to adapt to new technology, Dan Tyger is ready to be their liaison.

"My primary responsibilities are to train faculty how to use online environments to enrich their teaching, and then support them," he said.

Much of that training occurs in one-on-one tutorials.

"We've found that's the most successful, because we're able to target their needs specifically," Tyger said.

He also leads workshops and online training sessions.

While the use of online teaching tools is voluntary, Tyger says more than half of faculty use them.

"That speaks well of our faculty, I think."

Students are the ultimate beneficiaries.

"The classroom moment is ephemeral," Tyger said.

"Offering digital versions of the material that's covered in class increases students' ability to use the material (and learn from it)."

"We know (from survey data) that students are getting to know each other better, too, because they have access to each other in the online space. They also feel more in touch with instructors that use the online environment."

While current practices are working well, Tyger is always thinking ahead. One example is occurring this year. While SVSU will continue to use the Blackboard software it has employed for some time, more than 50 classes will participate in a pilot project this fall with a new system called "V-space."

Tyger is excited about its prospects, because it was developed by a consortium of universities and can be modified, edited and improved – something that can't be done with Blackboard.

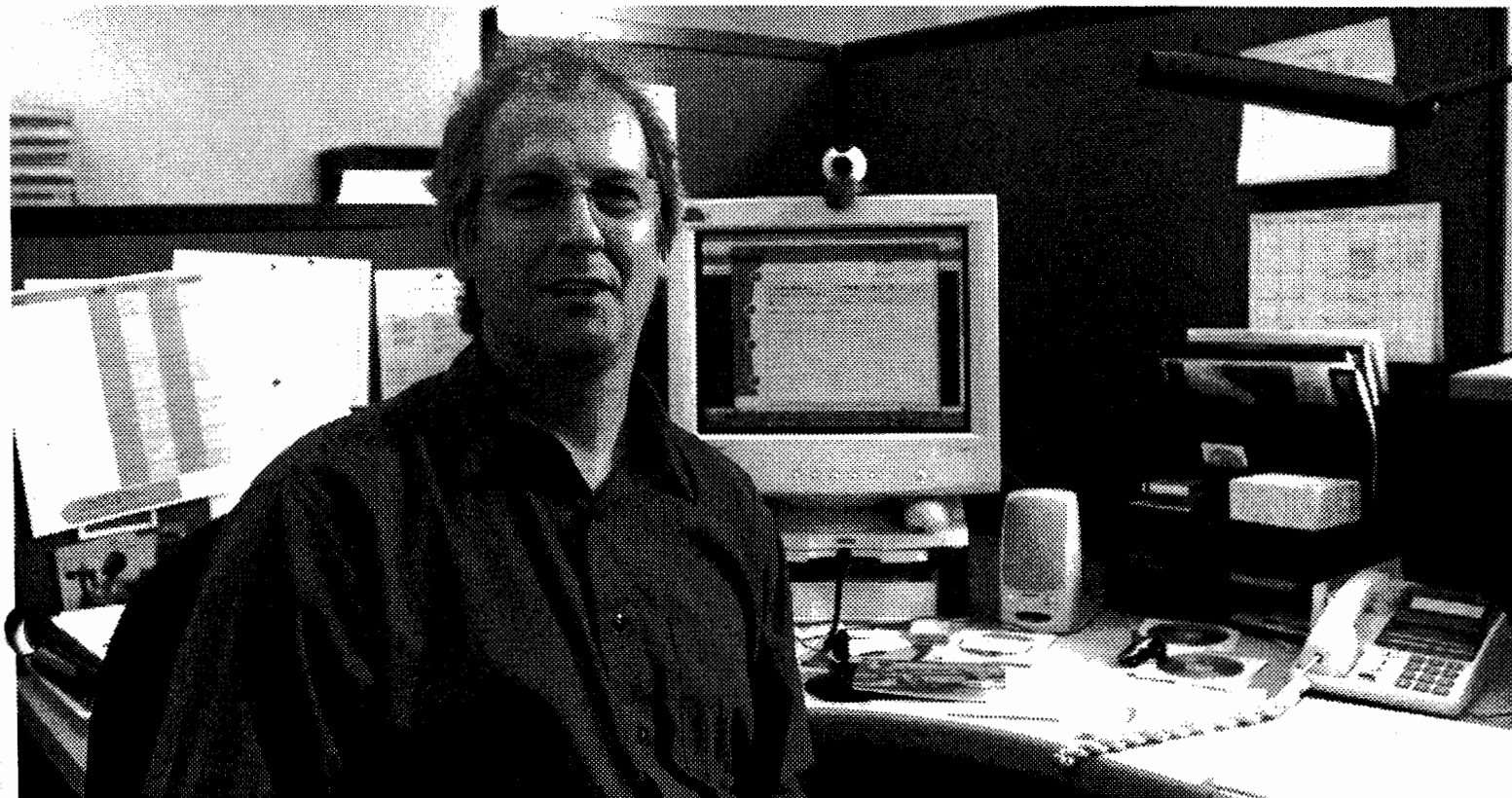
When he's not swimming in technology, the Pennsylvania native enjoys taking his canoe on Michigan rivers. His favorites to date are the Fox River and the south branch of the Au Sable River.

"I like to look at something other than a computer screen," he said.

An avid homebrewer, Tyger has won regional medals for his beer. He also gets together on occasion to play music with a handful of other SVSU employees and spouses.

At his job, Tyger works to ensure that technology and people are in harmony.

"We care about students and we care about faculty," he said. "When we create things, the whole focus is always with the human user in mind."



**Saginaw Valley State University
Capital Projects Plan
Approved Energy Conservation Measures**

| Project | | Estimated Cost | Estimated Annual Savings | Payback (in years) |
|-------------------------|--|-------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Student Center | Add daylighting controls | \$1,720 | \$1,693 | 1.02 |
| West Complex | Greening recircuit atrium lighting | 1,500 | 770 | 1.95 |
| West Complex | Recital Hall HID lighting and switching | 4,100 | 2,326 | 1.76 |
| Landscaping/Site Work * | Center campus irrigation from ponds | 100,000 | 54,350 | 1.84 |
| Ryder Center | CO2 demand control ventilation arena AHU-1,2,3 | 44,500 | 12,484 | 3.56 |
| West Complex | CO2 demand control ventilation theatre | 25,500 | 11,956 | 2.13 |
| West Complex | CO2 demand control ventilation recital hall | 21,700 | 7,491 | 2.90 |
| West Complex | CO2 demand control ventilation banquet rooms AHU-6 | 46,600 | 9,802 | 4.75 |
| West Complex | CO2 demand control ventilation classrooms AHU-8 | 42,160 | 7,304 | 5.77 |
| Brown Hall | Add VSD to AHU-1 | 24,270 | 5,531 | 4.39 |
| Zahnow Library | Add VSD to AHU-1 | 24,260 | 4,521 | 5.37 |
| Science West | Add VSD to AHU-1 | 24,270 | 3,883 | 6.25 |
| Campuswide | Replace lavatory faucets with sensor faucets (100) | 50,000 | 10,000 | 5.00 |
| Contingency | | <u>14,420</u> | | |
| Total | | \$425,000 | \$132,111 | 3.22 |

* Campus Landscape Master Plan Funding

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PERMIT APPLICATION
TO THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

This Performance Resolution is required by the Michigan Department of Transportation for purposes of issuing to a municipal utility an "Individual Permit for Use of State Trunkline Right of Way" (form 2205), or an "Annual Application and Permit for Miscellaneous Operations Within State Trunkline Right of Way" (form 2205B).

RESOLVED WHEREAS, the Saginaw Valley State University
(city, village, township, etc.)

hereinafter referred to as the "GOVERNMENTAL BODY," periodically applies to the Michigan Department of Transportation, hereinafter referred to as the "DEPARTMENT," for permits, referred to as "PERMIT," to construct, operate, use and/or maintain utility or other facilities, or to conduct other activities, on, over, and under state trunkline right of way at various locations within and adjacent to its corporate limits;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the DEPARTMENT granting such PERMIT, the GOVERNMENTAL BODY agrees that:

Each party to this Agreement shall remain responsible for any claims arising out of their own acts and/or omissions during the performance of this Agreement, as provided by law.

This Agreement is not intended to increase either party's liability for, or immunity from, tort claims.

This Agreement is not intended nor shall it be interpreted, as giving either party hereto a right of indemnification, either by Agreement or at law, for claims arising out of the performance of this Agreement.

1. Any work performed for the GOVERNMENTAL BODY by a contractor or subcontractor will be solely as a contractor for the GOVERNMENTAL BODY and not as a contractor or agent of the DEPARTMENT. Any claims by any contractor or subcontractor will be the sole responsibility of the GOVERNMENTAL BODY. The DEPARTMENT shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities by vendors and contractors of the GOVERNMENTAL BODY, or their subcontractors or any other person not a party to the PERMIT without its specific prior written consent and notwithstanding the issuance of the PERMIT.

2. The GOVERNMENTAL BODY shall take no unlawful action or conduct, which arises either directly or indirectly out of its obligations, responsibilities, and duties under the PERMIT which results in claims being asserted against or judgment being imposed against the State of Michigan, the Michigan Transportation Commission, the DEPARTMENT, and all officers, agents and employees thereof and those contracting governmental bodies performing permit activities for the DEPARTMENT and all officers, agents, and employees thereof, pursuant to a maintenance contract. In the event that the same occurs, for the purposes of the PERMIT, it will be considered as a breach of the PERMIT thereby giving the State of Michigan, the DEPARTMENT, and/or the Michigan Transportation Commission a right to seek and obtain any necessary relief or remedy, including, but not by way of limitation, a judgment for money damages.

3. It will, by its own volition and/or request by the DEPARTMENT, promptly restore and/or correct physical or operating damages to any State trunkline right of way resulting from the installation construction, operation and/or maintenance of the GOVERNMENTAL BODY'S facilities according to a PERMIT issued by the DEPARTMENT.

4. With respect to any activities authorized by PERMIT, when the GOVERNMENTAL BODY requires insurance on its own or its contractor's behalf it shall also require that such policy include as named insured the State of Michigan, the Transportation Commission, the DEPARTMENT, and all officers, agents, and employees thereof and those governmental bodies performing permit activities for the DEPARTMENT and all officers, agents, and employees thereof, pursuant to a maintenance contract.

5. The incorporation by the DEPARTMENT of this resolution as part of a PERMIT does not prevent the DEPARTMENT from requiring additional performance security or insurance before issuance of a PERMIT.

6. This resolution shall continue in force from this date until cancelled by the GOVERNMENTAL BODY or the DEPARTMENT with no less than thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party. It will not be cancelled or otherwise terminated by the GOVERNMENTAL BODY with regard to any PERMIT which has already been issued or activity which has already been undertaken.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following position(s) are authorized to apply to the Michigan Department of Transportation for the necessary permit to work within state trunkline right of way on behalf of the GOVERNMENTAL BODY.

Name

And/or

Title

Stephen L. Hocquard, Assistant Vice President for Campus Facilities
