

SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF CONTROL
Minutes of the Regular Formal Session
Friday, December 16, 2022
9:00 a.m.

A regular formal session of the Board of Control was held on Friday, December 16, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in Wickes Hall, Room 350.

Trustees present:

John D. Cherry, Jr.
JoAnn Crary
Lindsay Eggers, Treasurer
Vanessa Guerra
Bhushan Kulkarni, Secretary (via video conference)
Vicki Rupp, Chair
Raj Wiener, Vice Chair
Carl Williams
Donald Bachand, Ex Officio

Trustees absent:

Others present:

J.J. Boehm, Executive Director of University Communications
Ellen Crane, Assoc. VP, and General Counsel & Interim Exec. Director of the SVSU Foundation
Sue Crane, Associate VP for Administration & Business Affairs/Chief Financial Officer
Dr. Brandon Haskett, Faculty Association President
Dr. Deborah Huntley, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
John Kaczynski, Executive Director of Governmental Affairs
Mary Kowaleski, Executive Assistant to the President/Secretary to the Board of Control
Dr. Mamie T. Thorns, Associate VP, and Chief Diversity Officer
Rob Vallentine, Executive in Residence

SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF CONTROL MINUTES
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2022
REGULAR FORMAL SESSION
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I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rupp called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

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

There were no additions and/or deletions to the agenda.

The agenda was unanimously APPROVED as distributed.

B. Approval of the Board Minutes from the Regular Formal Session on October 24, 2022. It was moved and supported that the minutes of October 24, 2022, Regular Formal Session be approved.

The minutes were unanimously APPROVED as distributed.

C. Recognition of the Official Representative of the Faculty Association

Dr. Brandon Haskett, President of the Faculty Association, commented that the Student Association and the Faculty Association hosted a collaborative forum on Friday, November 4. Professor Haskett stated that he enjoyed coordinating this event with the President of the Student Association, Austin Urlaub. He noted that the forum was a success, and the Faculty Association is looking forward to more of these forums in the future.

Professor Haskett offered congratulations to all the fall 2022 graduates. He commented that this is a special time for our students and their families. He added that it is also meaningful to faculty who have worked hard to get our students to this occasion.

D. Recognition of the Official Representative of the Student Association

Mr. Austin Urlaub, President of the Student Association, commented that the Student Association is busy reevaluating and reformatting some of their student government positions. He stated that these adjustments are necessary to meet the needs of students in a post-covid era.

Mr. Urlaub also mentioned that a survey had been created to share with students after the first of the year to gain feedback on how the student government can improve to become more effective. He stated that this information will be helpful as they begin planning their winter retreat.

E. Communications and Requests to Appear Before the Board

There were no requests to appear before the Board.

III. ACTION ITEMS

1. Resolution to Grant Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees

RES-2467 **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 approves awarding the December 2022 undergraduate and graduate degrees as certified by the faculty and registrar for those students who completed degree requirements.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

2. Resolution to Approve Faculty Sabbaticals for Academic Year 2023-2024

RES-2468 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, Saginaw Valley State University is committed to quality education and provides the faculty with opportunities to maintain and enhance their professional knowledge and expertise, and

WHEREAS, The University administration supports faculty sabbatical leaves as an integral part of the SVSU Faculty Development Program,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the following faculty members be granted sabbatical leaves as specified below for the academic year of 2023-2024.

Name	Department	Leave Request		Brief Title of Project
Ahn, Byungil	History	Fall Winter	and	Rabbit/Catfish Farming Campaign in North Korea during the famine period and Collecting archival materials on Women's inheritance right in the Mao period China
Commerford, Julie	Geography	Fall Winter	and	Development of "R" statistical skills and applications to pollen data

Cook, Daniel	English	Winter	De Quincey and the Nineteenth-Century Essay
Gehrke, Jules	History	Fall	Canals in a Changing Britain: Construction, Culture, and Environment, 1760-2020
Liu, Yu	Management Marketing	Winter	Factors that lead to the appointment of CSOs
Sepanski, Steven	Mathematics	Winter	Updating Knowledge of Statistical Programming
Youngstedt, Scott	Sociology	Fall and Winter	Health, Illness, and Healing in Niger: A Book Project

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

3. Resolution to Grant Emeritus Status to Clifford Dorne

RES-2469 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, Saginaw Valley State University grants emeritus/emerita status to retiring faculty/administrators who have served the University with distinction; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Clifford Dorne arrived at Saginaw Valley State University in 1998 to join the faculty at the rank of associate professor, receiving the rank of full professor, and dedicating more than 24 years to the university until his retirement in August 2022, serving as Assistant and then Associate Dean for the College of Arts and Behavioral Sciences (2002-2006), Associate Vice President for Program Development and Graduate Admissions (2006-2010), University Registrar (2012-2022); and

WHEREAS, over the course of his career at SVSU, Dr. Dorne taught various criminal justice courses, including capstone and graduate courses for all criminal justice majors, as well as a corrections course where students toured the Saginaw Regional Corrections Facility while also serving the university as a full-time Administrative Professional; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Dorne was an active member of various organizations throughout his time at Saginaw Valley State University, including the American (and Michigan) Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers MACRAO), Michigan Public University Registrars, National Association of Graduate Admissions Professionals, Association for Conflict Resolution, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, American Correctional Association, and Michigan Academy of Arts and Letters; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Dorne has served on a variety of university committees, including the Academic Dismissal Appeals Committee, Athletic Compliance Committee, COVID-19 Subcommittee on Reopening Campus- Student Experience/Student Services, Diversity Programs KCP Future Faculty Fellowship Committee; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Dorne oversaw the office responsible for course registrations, academic records, State and Federal mandated reporting data, President's list data/certificates, assisted with transfer student processes, and was integral in the graduation process for students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Dorne has consistently demonstrated a strong commitment and exemplary service to the University community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Dr. Clifford Dorne be recognized as Professor and Registrar Emeritus.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

4. Resolution to Grant Emeritus Status to Eric DeVos

RES-2470 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, Saginaw Valley State University grants emeritus/emerita status to retiring faculty/administrators who have served the University with distinction; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Eric DeVos arrived at Saginaw Valley State University in 1991 to join the faculty at the rank of assistant professor, receiving the rank of full professor in 2001, and dedicating 29 years of services to the university until his retirement in June 2020, serving on many committees and boards, including 20 years on the Institutional Review Board; and

WHEREAS, over the course of his career at SVSU, Mr. DeVos taught various psychology courses, including core and required courses for all psychology majors, as well as the capstone history of psychology course, which was conducted as an engaging seminar to challenge students to build sophisticated understandings of the origins and developing narratives of work in psychology; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeVos held numerous topics areas of research involving student mentorship, such as The POUCH study, which included extensively collaborating with researchers at Michigan State University, the Thematic Apperception Test (TAT), which grew into a published multi-volume user manual co-authored with students, and with these various areas of scholarly work, and others, brought in grant money for SVSU, earned awards and recognitions, facilitated the professional growth of our students; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeVos has shared his knowledge with the community: presenting to the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) on a variety of topics, such as Eastern traditions of mindfulness and Buddhist cultural teachings, as well as chaired the curation of the Saginaw on Stage local music event for which he's performed, organized, promoted, and raised money for various community entities.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

RES-2471 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

WHEREAS, The Business, Finance and Audit & Facilities Committee has reviewed and finds satisfactory the past performance of AHP and, as a result, recommends this firm's reappointment for the fiscal year 2022-2023;

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

RES-2472 **It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board hereby authorizes the President and/or the Executive Vice President for Administration and Business Affairs to enter into contracts to complete the below-referenced projects:

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The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

IV. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no information or discussion items.

V. REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

President Bachand made no formal remarks.

VI. OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

7. Motion to Informal Session to Discuss Personnel Matters

BM-1254 It was moved and supported that the Board move to Informal Session to discuss personnel matters

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

The Board moved to Informal Session at 9:45 a.m. and convened in a Regular Formal Session at 10:30 a.m. with Board members Cherry, Eggers, Guerra, Rupp, Wiener, and Williams. Also in attendance: President Bachand and Mary Kowaleski.

Trustee Wiener made a formal motion to establish compensation for the University President. Trustee Cherry supported the motion.

8. Resolution to Establish Compensation for the University President

RES-2473 It was moved and supported that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, The Board of Control shall arrange for the evaluation of the President in the last quarter of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, The format for evaluating the President shall be consistent with the President's contract with such goals as approved by the Board for the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Control has received and reviewed the President's report identifying significant accomplishments for 2022; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Control met with President Bachand on December 16, 2022, to review and discuss the report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Control of Saginaw Valley State University award President Bachand deferred compensation in the amount of \$50,000 and a performance bonus in the amount of \$20,000 as outlined in his employment contract.

The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

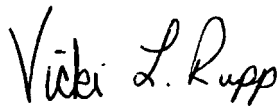
9. Motion to Adjourn

BM-1255 **It was moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned.**

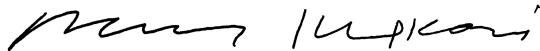
The motion was APPROVED unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Vicki L. Rupp, Chair



Bhushan Kulkarni, Secretary



Mary Kowaleski
Recording Secretary