KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ~ MEETING MINUTES
August 8, 2014 in the Student Center Conference Room

The special meeting of the board of trustees was called to order by Chair Ferrigan at 9:01 a.m.

Roll Call: Trustees Present: MaryAnn Ferrigan, Jack Kramer, Ed Pearen, Dave Dougherty, Roy Spangler, Donnelle Napier

Trustees Absent: Kathryn Wallace

Employees Present: Dale Shantz, Evelyn Schenk, Tim Scherer, Julie Lavender, Tom Quinn, Sarah Madonna, Tony Madaj, Michelle Vyskocil, Jason Broge, Jason Tetzloff, Beth Hubbard, Stefan Holodnick

Welcome and Introduction of Guests: Chair Ferrigan welcomed all guests and introduced the guest speaker, Paul Hanley, Senior Vice President of George K. Baum & Co., Investment Bankers.

Public Comment: None

Reports:
President’s Report Regarding a Possible Mill Levy Referendum – President Quinn reported that after meeting with community members over the past several months, he’s learned that their primary concerns include safety and security, quality health care, vocational education and the need to create and fill jobs in our area for their children and grandchildren.

Presentation of Survey Results Regarding a Potential Mill Levy Referendum – Paul Hanley, consultant for George K. Baum & Co., Investment Bankers, reviewed the results of two surveys conducted on behalf of Kirtland. The first was a mail survey sent to approximately 27,000 active voters in the four county district. Mr. Hanley reported the survey provided voter preferences for a proposal for a mill levy. He also presented the results of a telephone survey of a random sample of citizens. This is a statistically accurate survey. The results indicated that 69% of voters were likely or most likely to vote to renew a mill levy for a health sciences center and to add vocational programs to the Roscommon campus.

New Business:
Discussion and Consideration of the Reports: Motion by Trustee Kramer, second by Trustee Spangler to pursue a referendum for a mill levy on the November 4, 2014 ballot. Trustees Kramer and Ferrigan read the following bond proposal:

Shall Kirtland Community College, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Five Million Two Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars ($5,280,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, in one or more series, for the purpose of:

constructing, furnishing and equipping a new health sciences education center; constructing, remodeling, furnishing and refurnishing and equipping and re-equipping building additions and facilities at the college’s Roscommon campus, including energy efficiency improvements and improvements to vocational education training facilities; and developing and improving sites and supporting infrastructure?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2015 is 0.12 mill ($0.12 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for a -0- net increase in debt millage as compared to the debt millage of the prior tax year. The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding in any single series, exclusive of any refunding, is twenty-one (21) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 0.11 mill ($0.11 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation).

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, instructor, administrator or employee salaries or other operating expenses.)

Motion carried via roll call vote with all trustees voting in favor.
Reports:

President’s Report – President Quinn stated that the fall semester starts on August 25. He also stated that he will establish an executive committee for the purpose of supporting the mill levy that includes members of all four counties that Kirtland serves. He stated that there is a lot of work ahead and thanked everyone for their efforts thus far. Jason Broge will file all necessary paperwork for the mill levy with the Roscommon County Clerk’s Office on Monday, August 11.

Board Member Reports / Open Discussion:

Chair Ferrigan presented Trustee Dougherty with a pin from the Michigan Community College Association in recognition of his five years of service.

Announcements:

- Kirtland’s Learner Center On-Course Workshop – August 11, 12, 13
- Interact Video Filming – August 11, 12, 13
- Convocation – August 18
- Next Regular Board Meeting- August 21
- Fall Semester Starts – August 25
- Labor Day Break – September 1

Adjournment: With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.