KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ~ MINUTES
September 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building

Roll Call: Trustees Present: MaryAnn Ferrigan, Jack Kramer, David Dougherty, Roy Spangler, Ruggero Dozzi
Trustees Absent: Ed Pearen
Employees Present: Tom Quinn, Jason Broge, Julie Lavender, Dale Shantz, Laura Percival, Jason Tetzloff, Evelyn Schenk, Marcel Romancky
Guest Present: Matt Varcak, Ogemaw / Oscoda County Herald

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ferrigan at 7:04 p.m. with roll call and Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment: None

Motion by Chair Ferrigan, second by Vice Chair Kramer, for brief recess to tour Kirtland’s new MILO range on the lower level.

Condensed description of the new MILO simulator given by Tom Grace, Director of Police Academy/Fire Fighting Training, with a hands-on demonstration by cadets Terry McBee and Travis Fante from the current 41st Police Academy. The new MILO simulator accommodates up to four cadets at one time during training exercises. Several Trustee members had the opportunity to try their skill at target practice with the new simulator.

7:32 p.m. Motion by Chair Ferrigan, second by Trustee Spangler, to resume Board Meeting.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Chair Ferrigan, second by Trustee Dougherty to approve the consent agenda as presented, with the exception to postpone naming the replacement to fill the remaining term of Donnelle Napier, as there is one more applicant to interview. Motion carried.

New Business: Julie Lavender, VP of Instructional Services, presented research data showing Kirtland’s current Computer Courses are no longer cost effective, and recommended the Board suspend all four of Kirtland’s current computer programs.

Motion by Trustee Dougherty, second by Trustee Spangler, that Kirtland suspend the Associate in Computers-Computer Science Program, the Associate in Computers-Computer Information Systems Program, the Information Technology Associate in Applied Science Program and the Web Design & Internet Development Associate in Applied Science Program, and that the college administration work on developing new programs to meet the current needs of business and students.

Motion carried via voice vote.

Discussion: Chair Ferrigan asked if any previous graduates of Kirtland’s computer programs had found jobs. Julie Lavender stated it was unknown, as no information is currently available on job placement.

Trustee Spangler asked if there were jobs for computer training. Laura Percival stated there were jobs ranging from Homeland Security to hand-held electronics.
Vice Chair Kramer inquired as to how long it would take to revise Kirtland’s current computer programs? Julie Lavender stated possibly next fall, but maybe longer.

President’s Report - President Quinn presented an aerial video of the new Health Sciences Center at 4 Mile Road. Everyone agreed it was an excellent overall view showing the progress at the construction site.

Trustee Dougherty wanted to note that he received a phone call from Lyle Mead who was pleased to share that his daughter had attended Kirtland’s Nursing Program and was currently employed earning $27/hour.

Dr. Quinn noted that Janet Gates had left her position as his Administrative Assistant and that the position has been posted on Kirtland’s website.

Dr. Quinn reminded everyone that The Cat’s Pajamas is performing at the KCPA this Saturday, September 19 at 7 p.m.

Reminder that the Economic Outlook is scheduled for Monday, October 26, 2015 at the West Branch Country Club.

Dr. Quinn noted that he had gone to Lansing and secured the original document establishing Kirtland Community College in 1966. Kirtland was modeled after Chapter 3, which chartered Kirtland based on ISD boundaries.

Dr. Quinn stated a new wood processing plant employing approximately 250 people is scheduled to be built at the 4 Mile Road location near the new Health Sciences Center.

Trustee Spangler inquired as to the possibility of selling or leasing some of the extra acreage at the 4 Mile Road location for something that could work in conjunction with the Health Sciences Center.

Dr. Quinn stated he did not think this was possible due to the agreement with the DNR in securing the property.

Dr. Quinn stated that sadly Composite materials instructor Bob Vitale passed away on September 14, 2015, after a brief illness.

On a happier note, Vicki Borchers, who works in the Kirtland Bookstore, has been released from the Ann Arbor Hospital and is on the mend. She wanted to thank everyone for the cards and well wishes sent during her hospital stay.

Dr. Quinn stated The Kirtland Foundation has a lead donation of $300,000 for the new Health Sciences Center campaign.

This concludes the President’s Report.

Personnel Report – Dale Shantz presented the Board with a handout.
Board Member Reports / Discussion – Resolution by Vice Chair Kramer, second by Trustee Spangler to thank Janet Gates for her work at Kirtland the past two years. Motion carried.

Vice Chair Kramer thanked Evelyn Schenk for the new landscaping at the administrative entrance.

Julie Lavender gave a short laptop presentation showing full parking lots at all three of Kirtland’s locations in Roscommon, West Branch and Gaylord.

With no further business, Chair Ferrigan adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.