

**Miles Community College
Board of Trustees
Minutes
December 20, 2021**

The Board of Trustees of Miles Community College met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., December 20, 2021. The following Trustees were present: Ryan Jones, Jeff Okerman, Debbie Morford, Garret McFarland, Tara Andrews, Jamie Ogolin, and Jenna Janshen. The following Trustee was excused: none. Also present were President Ron Slinger, Candy Laney, Nancy Aaberge, Jerry Olson, Rita Kratky, Erin Niedge, Kylene Phipps, and Jay Wiebers.

Chair Ryan Jones called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

IMPORTANT DATES: President Slinger discussed the following: Campus will be closed December 24-28 and December 31 - January 3. He will be attending Business Days at the Capital January 11 – 13 in Helena.

REPORTS: No reports were given.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Trustee Andrews moved to approve the November consent agenda. Trustee Morford seconded the motion. Motion passed.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- A. **Enrollment Updates:** Dean Niedge gave Trustees an enrollment update. Currently continuing student numbers are down 12%; however, these numbers will shift by the start of Spring semester as continuing Nursing students will not register until the middle of January.
- B. **Strategic Partnerships:** President Slinger discussed our new Workforce Solutions Program. This program will help companies educate their employees to enable them to move up in their organizations. Stockman Bank is our first business to sign up for this program.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

- A. **Chair Report:** Trustee Ogolin reported the committee discussed the budget. He said tuition and revenue are both down. He also said COVID dollars need to be drawn down by May 2022. The auditors have just begun the audit process.
- B. **Old Business:**
- C. **New Business:**

HUMAN RESOURCE COMMITTEE:

- A. **Chair Report:** Trustee McFarland reported the committee was given a staffing and IT assessment update.
- B. **Old Business:** None
- C. **New Business:**

QUALITY AND ADVOCACY:

- A. **Chair Report:** Trustee Morford reported the committee was given updates on enrollment and the strategic plan survey. They were also updated on the new Workforce Solutions Program with Stockman Bank and the Montana State Chamber of Commerce Young Entrepreneur program.

ACADEMIC CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. **Academic Consent Item:** Vice President Kratky discussed the proposed changes with Trustees.

Trustee Ogolin moved to accept the Academic Consent items as presented. Trustee Janshen seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Trustee Jones adjourned the meeting at 5:51 p.m.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: Athletic Department Strategic Master Plan, MCC Strategic Plan, VA Property, Presentation by Coaches.

The next regular Board of Trustee meeting will be held on Monday, January 24, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in room 106.

Chair

Secretary