## September 12, 2023

A regular meeting of the Montcalm Community College Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairperson Karen Carbonelli at Greenville Public Schools Central Service Facility Community Room.

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	paid for by their employer. MCC helps local employers access Michigan New Jobs Training grant funding.
(ii) The community college provides customized on-site training for area companies, employees, or both.	MCC regularly offers PLC (Allen Bradley and Siemens) training; FANUC and Kuka robotics training; Tig and food grade welding training, basic computer training, basic blueprint reading and measurement training, GD&T training, Excel/Access training, sales training, MIOSHA, Lean, Quality management, internal audit, plant design, coaching, and CNC training to many local businesses including local manufacturers and local health care facilities. MCC also partners with the Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center (MMTC) to provide other training as needed. MCC provides directed study/internship opportunities and programs to business and industry representatives.
(iii) The community college supports entrepreneurship through a small business assistance center or other training, or consulting activities targeted toward small businesses.	MCC has a credit program in entrepreneurship and offers non-credit classes in numerous areas dealing with starting a company. MCC hosts MSBDC counseling at the Greenville campus and offers free classes with the MSBDC and SBA for starting a business. The college also provides free computer use, free use of business plan software, and many other free business resources to the community.

(iv) The community college supports technological advancement through industry partnerships, incubation activities, or operation of a Michigan technical

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	agreements with the Montcalm Area Career Center, Mount Pleasant Technical Center, Heartlands Institute of Technology (Ionia), Saranac High School, Greenville High School, and Kent Career Center in Business, Early Education, Welding, Computer Support, Criminal Justice, Agriculture, and Health and Engineering. MCC partners with Michigan State University to offer associates degrees in Agribusiness and Agricultural Operations, which have articulations back into the career centers.

(ii) The community college hosts, sponsors, or participates in enrichment programs for area K-12 students, such as college days, summer or after-school programming, or science Olympiad.

MCC runs numerous summer camps aimed at the K-7[.6 (e)-e T3,.3 (,) 2 693  $\pm$  4.6 (e)-h1.9 ac9e (t)-(s )-ETjE1.041 Td&cil 2 6

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Western Michigan University. MCC has partnered with MSU to provide associate degrees in agriculture on MCC's main campus in Sidney. MCC and MSU jointly employ a recruiter/program director for the agricultural program who is housed on MCC's campus.

MCC, along with the Michigan Community College Association, and other community colleges and universities, is participating in statewide articulation agreements in Biology, Psychology, Criminal Justice, Communication, Social Work, and Engineering & Business.

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(iii) The community college operates public facilities to promote cultural, educational, or personal enrichment for community members, such as libraries, computer labs, performing arts centers, museums, art galleries, or television or radio stations.	MCC operates a campus library that is open to the public and collaborates with all the local district libraries. MCC computer labs in Greenville and Sidney are open to the public and offer free Internet access. Students from local schools regularly come to MCC's main campus in Sidney to see the Mastodon bones that are on display, and tour Heritage Village to learn about the history of Montcalm County. One Book One County Montcalm and MCC Reads that engage the entire community in reading and discussing books.
(iv) The community college operates public facilities to promote leisure or wellness activities for community members, including gymnasiums, athletic fields, tennis courts, fitness centers, hiking or biking trails, or natural areas.	MCC operates a gymnasium, a pool, a rock-climbing wall, and a fitness center that are available to the public for a small charge. MCC has tennis courts, pickleball courts, and a disc golf course that are available to the public at no charge, as well as nearly five miles of nature trails on the main campus in Sidney. MCC also holds the Bramble Ramble, an annual 5K run, 10K run, and one mile walk on the nature trails.  Montcalm Community College's Recreation & Fitness Center is a Silver Sneakers site. That means community members who are 65 or older are free to move at no cost through select Medicare plans.
(v) The community college promotes, sponsors, or hosts community service activities for students, staff, or community members.	MCC hosts events such as the monthly legislative luncheon and political debates. MCC student organizations are encouraged to consider avenues for community service as part of their planned activities. MCC's marketing classes create marketing plans for local businesses, and MCC's Tax Accounting students work with the United Way to complete yearly taxes for low-income families. MCC's nursing program has a graduation requirement for students to complete six hours of volunteer time focused on the health and wellness within the community. Through service-learning projects, MCC students, instructors and staff support community activities such as local food pantries, clothing collections, health clinics and efforts to combat homelessness.

 $Mrs.\ Carbonelli\ appointed\ Trustee\ Robert\ Marston\ to\ the\ audit\ committee\ through\ 9/12/26.$ 

The Trustees discussed the upcoming millage community conversations.

Mrs. Carbonelli appointed Trustee Kurt Peterson as voting delegate during the upcoming Association of Community

College Trustees Leadership Congress.

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