

**NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, October 24, 2022
at Timothy J. Nelson Innovation Center
Room 106/107**

CALL TO ORDER—Chair Rachel A. Johnson called the special meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Trustees present: Rachel A. Johnson, Laura J. Oblinger, Kennard R. Weaver, Chris M. Bott, Douglas S. Bishop, Kenneth E. Warner, Andrew K. Robitshek

Also present: President Nick Nissley, Lynne Moritz, Diana Fairbanks, Troy Kierczynski, Todd Neibauer, Marcus Bennett, Jennifer Hricik, Stephen Siciliano, Brandy Johnson, Jason Slade, Linda Berlin

The agenda was accepted as presented.

PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION—Board Chair Rachel Johnson welcomed Michigan Community College Association (MCCA) President Brandy Johnson. As Johnson began her tenure in December 2021, she resolved to visit all community college boards of trustees in 2022, with Northwestern Michigan College being her 25th visit of the year. Johnson shared her professional history, including working on educational policy with former Michigan Governor Granholm and current Governor Gretchen Whitmer, as well as founding the Michigan College Access Network. Michigan is unique in that it does not have a state college system, commonly referred to as a state higher education organization (SHEO).

Johnson highlighted the advocacy resources section of the MCCA website, noting legislative updates such as the ADN to BSN compromise and academic catch-up program. Johnson is very hopeful that supplemental appropriations will be approved during the lame duck legislation session this fall and noted capital outlay is a top priority. In response to a question, Johnson described the composition of the Funding Formula Task Force, which met for the first time this past week and was charged by the state budget to review, evaluate, discuss and make recommendations regarding community college operations funding.

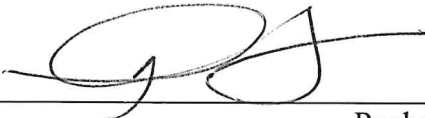
PUBLIC INPUT—There was no public input offered.

REVIEW OF FOLLOW-UP REQUESTS—Confirmed requests made by the Board that require administrative follow-up for information to be provided to the Board at a later date.

ADJOURNMENT—The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Recorded by Lynne Moritz, Executive Director of the President's Office and Board Operations.

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Rachel A. Johnson, Chair

ATTESTED _____



Andrew K. Robitshek, Secretary