

**MINUTES**  
**NORTH CENTRAL MICHIGAN COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**REGULAR MEETING Library Conference Rooms 1 & 2**  
**Tuesday, August 27, 2024 (4:00 p.m.)**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Rasmussen called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL TAKEN:

PRESENT: Trustees Etienne, Fought, Keiswetter, Pretty, Rasmussen, and Shirilla

ABSENT: None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Trustee Etienne and supported by Trustee Pretty that the agenda be approved with the following modifications:

12. New Business.

a. Foundation Report

b. Appointment of Board Member

c. President Finley Contract Renewal

AYES: Trustees Etienne, Fought, Keiswetter, Pretty, Rasmussen, and Shirilla

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Fought and supported by Trustee Keiswetter that the minutes of the following Meetings be approved as written:

a. July 23, 2024, Regular Meeting

b. August 13, 2024, Special Meeting

c. August 13, 2024, Special Meeting Closed Session

d. August 20, 2024, Special Meeting

AYES: Trustees Etienne, Fought, Keiswetter, Pretty, Rasmussen, and Shirilla

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

5. COMMUNICATIONS

President Finley shared the following

More information may be found here:

<https://www.ncmich.edu/community-events/news-and-press-releases/richner-wins-mcca-award.html>

- b. NCMC Student named 2024 Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholar  
Harbor Light News, the week of August 21-27<sup>th</sup>





## 10. STUDENT SUCCESS

Nicki Morris was invited to report on the Campus Cupboard. Nicki shared that the Campus Cupboard began in 2019. Since then, they have filled 689 orders, providing just under 21,000 meals for students and their families. Just this year 126 orders have been filled, showing an increase in need. Some of the great things done every year are: provide Thanksgiving meals, provide snack boxes around campus, began Campus Cupboard direct to provide an online platform to order groceries.

Nicki gave kudos to all of the support team that helps to keep these supplies stocked and thanked everyone who has ever donated to the Campus Cupboard.

## 11. OLD BUSINESS

None.

## 12. NEW BUSINESS

### a. Foundation Report

VP of Advancement and NCMC Foundation Executive Director, Chelsea Platte, shared an update for the Foundation for the past fiscal year. Their fundraising goal of \$1M was just met, and the department is now fully staffed. VP Platte shared the breakdown of which areas that \$1M supported. New scholarships created this past year were discussed, as well as funding priorities for this coming year. She thanked the Trustees, and the campus community for all the support they have provided to the Foundation, and ultimately, our students.

### b. Appointment of Board Member

Chairman Rasmussen noted that, as many of you are aware, Trustee Dave Kring tendered his retirement from the Board of Trustees effective July 31, creating a vacancy.

Pursuant to the Community College Act of 1966, Act 331, Section 389.158, the remaining members of the Board, by majority vote, shall fill the vacancy immediately. This person so appointed shall hold office until the next regular community college election held for the election of members to the board of trustees.

Chairman Rasmussen motioned and Trustee Fought supported to appoint Jason Kromm to fill the vacancy on the Board.

Jason Kromm, owner of Bear River Electric, holds a Bachelor of Science in Engineering from the University of Michigan. For 30 years, he and his wife Maggie have called Petoskey home, where they raised two children who attended Petoskey High School and North Central Michigan College. Jason has also been actively involved in the community, coaching youth sports, participating in scouting, and mentoring robotics teams.

AYES: Trustees Etienne, Fought, Keiswetter, Pretty, Rasmussen, and Shirilla

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None



NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Trustee Etienne



/S/ Daniel D. Rasmussen, Chairman

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Melissa Keiswetter".

/S/ Melissa Keiswetter, Secretary