

Meeting Minutes

Montcalm Community College Board of Trustees
February 17, 2026, Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Montcalm Community College Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairperson Kurt Peterson in the Trebian Conference Room on MCC's Sidney campus.

Trustees present: Robert Byram, Trustee
Carol Deuling-Ravell, Vice Chairperson
Kurt Peterson, Chairperson
Joshua Stump, Treasurer

Trustees absent: Dr. Esther Combs, Trustee
Joyce Kitchenmaster, Secretary
Robert Marston, Trustee

Others present: Dr. Bradley J. Barrick, President
Tatum Johnson, student
Lisa Lund, Executive Director of the MCC Foundation
Francisco Ramirez, MCC Dean of Student & Enrollment Services
Shelly Springborn, Assistant Board Secretary
Theresa Rowland, Vice President of Finance & Administration
Kevin Wagenmaker, Vice President for Academic Affairs

The Trustees reviewed minutes from their January 13, 2026, regular meeting. Mr. Peterson said the minutes stand approved as read.

The Trustees reviewed financial reports. Mr. Peterson said the financial reports stand approved as presented.

Mr. Peterson asked for additions or changes to the remaining items of order of consideration. Mr. Peterson added the topic of presidential compensation review to the agenda under new business, and said the order stands as amended.

Dr. Barrick shared his president's report, including a report from MCC Nursing Student Tatum Johnson; an update on the recent student housing and capital outlay tour with legislators representing our district; discussion of the Ionia County Guarantee; announcement of "MCC Out in the Community" to support our employees and local restaurants and coffee shops; and announcement of Francisco Ramirez being promoted to Vice President of Student Affairs.

The Board discussed the 2026 MCC Stanley & Blanche Ash Distinguished Service Award and tabled action until the next regular meeting on March 10.

The Board received a report about the recent ACCT National Legislative Summit from Mr. Peterson.

The Board discussed a resolution to add Chairperson Kurt Peterson and Treasurer Josh Stump to all MCC bank and investment accounts. Trustee Bob Byram abstained from voting due to MCC accounts at

Sidney State Bank. This created a situation where there was not a quorum for the vote; therefore, the Board tabled action until the March 10 meeting.

Chairman Peterson reappointed the Presidential Compensation Committee to include committee chairperson Carol Deuling-Ravell and committee members Dr. Esther Combs and Bob Marston.

The Board reviewed upcoming dates.

Carol Deuling-Ravell moved that the meeting adjourn at 6:50 p.m. Bob Byram supported the motion, which carried unanimously.