The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Board Room of the Tinnin Fine Arts Center on the main campus in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, on Thursday, August 27, 2015 at 12:00 p.m.

Those present included: Trustees: Ben Ressel, chairman; Phil Davis; vice chairman, absent; Chris Williams, secretary; Eric Schalk, treasurer; Darren Garrison, member, absent; Randy Grassham, member; and college administrators: Dr. Wesley Payne, President; Charlotte Eubank, chief financial officer; Dr. Mary Lou Brown, vice president for academic and student services; Janine Heath, recording secretary.

Invocation was delivered by Trustee Randy Grassham.

AUGUST 27, 2015

ATTENDANCE

Trustee Schalk moved to approve the agenda and with a second by Trustee Williams the motion was approved.

INVOCATION

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING AGENDA

The minutes of the meeting on July 15, 2015 were approved on a motion by Trustee Grassham and second by Trustee Williams.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY BOARD MEETING

Charlotte Eubank reported the college’s budget to actual status as of June 30, 2015 and the preliminary financial statement for July 2015.

CONSIDERATION OF COLLEGE FINANCIAL REPORT

As of the end of July we have recognized 27% of our budgeted revenues. This includes a portion of the summer registrations and fall registrations through July 2015. We have obligated 7% of our budgeted expenses at 8% into the new fiscal year.

Ms. Eubank reviewed the current bid report noting that the bid for Student Refund Services has been awarded to Higher One and that the Advanced Manufacturing bids have been received but not yet awarded.

Trustee Schalk made the motion to accept the financial report as presented with a second by Trustee Williams, the motion was approved.

Dr. Payne introduced the following individuals:

Dr. Mary Lou Brown as the Vice President for Academic and Student Services
Steve Lewis and Liz DeKen as Faculty Co-Chairs
Kenny Bullington as past Faculty Chair
Dr. Payne presented the President’s Report as an update to the board on recent events.

The 3rd Annual TRET Golf Tournament was a success even though weather forced a reschedule of the event. The estimate of net earnings from the event is between $8,000 and $10,000.

The Bank of Grandin donated a significant six figure donation to the Libla Family Sports Complex.

One of our ACAD 101 classes hosted a card signing to lift the spirits of the soldiers overseas. Over 300 cards were signed by students to be sent to the soldiers.

Nursing and Allied Health is now back on campus. This is a great benefit to faculty and students.

Nonsense was the last Center Stage show of the 2015 season. It was great quality and had excellent participation from the community and college.

Fall Convocation 2015 was a gathering of all college employees to “kick-off” the fall semester. Presentations included Title IX training and a visit from our HLC liaison.

The Welcome Back Picnic for River Ridge residents was held on August 15. This allows the students to visit and get to know the other residents in an informal gathering.

Our fall enrollment is slightly down which is in keeping with the current trend.

The City of Kennett is hosting a reception for SEMO and TRC on September 8. This will be an opportunity for Dr. Vargas and Dr. Payne to interact with the community leaders.

Dr. Payne presented the following employees:

Kenny Bullington, Instructor, Mathematics: Mr. Bullington is highly engaged in his work. He is student focused and has a large impact on the students in his classroom.

Bridgett Barnhill, Asst. System Administrator/Institutional Researcher: Ms. Barnhill’s favorite thing about working at Three Rivers is the feeling of being part of an organization that changes lives. She is most proud of being able to provide the resources to help colleagues succeed. Ms. Barnhill approaches her job by learning the function and then working on making the processes
and flow better for the college family.

**Virginia Watson, Administrative Assistant, Nursing/Allied Health:**
Ms. Watson has held many different positions at the college. Her positive attitude to take care of the students and faculty is the measure of her success.

Trustee Schalk made the motion with a second from Trustee Grassham to move into executive session. The board was polled as follows: Trustee Grassham, yes; Trustee Garrison, absent; Trustee Schalk, yes; Trustee Williams, yes; Trustee Davis, absent; Trustee Ressel, yes.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Trustee Schalk to give Dr. Payne the authority to negotiate and enter into a contract with the Bread Co for food service on campus and a second by Trustee Williams, the board was polled as follows: Trustee Grassham, yes; Trustee Garrison, absent; Trustee Schalk, yes; Trustee Williams, yes; Trustee Davis, absent; Trustee Ressel, yes.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND VOTE**

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE BREAD COMPANY FOOD SERVICE CONTRACT

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE BANK OF GRANDIN NAMING RIGHTS FOR THE LOBBY AND SCOREBOARD IN THE LIBLA FAMILY SPORTS COMPLEX

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF A BOARD MEMBER TO SERVE ON THE COLLEGE’S SICK BANK GOVERNING COMMITTEE FOR FY16

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF POLICY GAP 1201 FREE SPEECH AND ASSEMBLY

Dr. Payne explained that the changes were due to Missouri law changing effective August 28. Trustee Schalk made the motion to approve the revisions to the policy and with a second by Trustee Williams the board was polled as follows: Trustee Grassham, yes; Trustee Garrison, absent; Trustee Schalk, yes; Trustee Williams, yes; Trustee Davis, absent; Trustee Ressel, yes.

**CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS AND ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS**

Trustee Schalk made the motion to accept the personnel actions and associated documents. With a second by Trustee Grassham, the board was polled as follows: Trustee Grassham, yes; Trustee Garrison, absent; Trustee Schalk, yes; Trustee Williams, yes; Trustee Davis, absent; Trustee Ressel, yes.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the board approved to adjourn the meeting at 3:40 p.m. on a motion by Trustee Schalk and a second by Trustee Williams. The board was polled as follows:
Trustee Grassham, yes; Trustee Garrison, absent; Trustee Schalk, yes; Trustee Williams, yes; Trustee Davis, absent; Trustee Rassel, yes.

BEN RASSEL, CHAIRMAN

9/16/15

APPROVAL DATE

CHRIS WILLIAMS, SECRETARY

9/16/15

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