MINUTES OF PLANNING MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
KALAMAZOO VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

A Planning meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Kalamazoo Valley Community College District, 6767 West O Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan was held on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 at the KVCC M-TEC, 7107 Elm Valley Drive, Kalamazoo, Michigan in Conference Room C1420-2.

Chairman Patton convened the meeting at 5:36p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Trustees Gustas, Oberlin, Patton, Whitten and Young
Marilyn J. Schlack, President
Michael Collins, Vice President for College and Student Relations
Patricia Niewoonder, Recording Secretary

Excused: Trustees Miller and Schauer

Guest: James DeHaven, Vice President for Business and Economic Development

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was MOVED by Trustee Gustas, SECONDED by Trustee Oberlin and CARRIED that the agenda be approved as submitted.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was MOVED by Trustee Whitten and SECONDED by Trustee Young that the Consent Agenda Items for the month of April 2008 which includes the Secretary’s Report, the Treasurer’s Report, the Modification of the Budget for 2007-2008; and the Certification of the Graduation List, be approved as presented and that copies of the reports be attached to and made an official part of the minutes of the meeting. After a brief discussion, the motion CARRIED.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no one present who desired to address the Board.

BOARD MONITORING REPORTS

Wind Energy Center Proposal
Jim DeHaven, vice president for economic and business development, presented a proposal for the establishment of a wind energy center. The goals of the center are to help support sustainable energy practices, to grow new jobs through KVCC’s education and training programs, and an enhanced educational partnership with Western Michigan University. He noted that more information will be shared with the Board as plans move forward.

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Updates on Board Priorities for 2007-2008
Jim DeHaven shared a brief overview of the start-up companies housed in the M-TEC business incubator center and reported on the success of the welding and automotive academies. He then summarized some of the planning for possible future academies. Areas being explored are in hospitality, home health care, CNC, diesel repair, and film production.

Mike Collins gave an update on security measures recently implemented on both of the College’s campuses and he highlighted additional plans that could be implemented at a later date.

Mike then briefly reported on the number of graduates from KPS who have enrolled at KVCC and were awarded the Kalamazoo Promise grant. He also summarized the new initiatives that have been put in place for our students who plan on transferring to four-year institutions and on our partnerships with the universities to ensure a smooth transfer for our students.

**ACTION ITEMS**

Recommendation for the KVM Renovation Project
It was MOVED by Trustee Young, SECONDED by Trustee Oberlin and CARRIED that, upon the recommendation of the President, the KVCC Board of Trustees endorses an expenditure in an amount not to exceed $1.4 million for the renovation of the Kalamazoo Valley Museum’s History Gallery and Tower.

Recommendation for Emeritus Status
It was MOVED by Trustee Gustas and SECONDED by Trustee Whitten that upon the recommendation of the President Emeritus Status be granted to Jean Snow effective upon her retirement May 30, 2008 and in recognition of her years of service to Kalamazoo Valley Community College. After a brief discussion, the motion CARRIED.

**OTHER ITEMS**

President Schlack reported that the College had received information from the Wage and Hour Division of the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth regarding the requirement for paying prevailing wages for contractors working on state-funded construction projects. She distributed a copy of the Prevailing Wage Act brochure and noted that a copy of the brochure will be attached to the official minutes of the meeting.

President Schlack also briefly highlighted some of the upcoming calendar items, including the reception for Congressman Upton scheduled for Friday, April 18, 2008 and the Foundation’s annual Opportunity for Education dinner scheduled for May 19, 2008.
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND EVALUATION OF MEETING AND MATERIALS

No additional items were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED by Trustee Gustas, SECONDED by Trustee Oberlin and CARRIED to adjourn the meeting. The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.