Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call
Chairman Lupino called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.
Those present: Mrs. Beals, Mr. Brown, Mr. Burchell, Mr. Fitting, Mr. Kolesar, Mr. Lupino, Mr. Malloy, Interim President Guenard
Absent: none
Also present: Dean List, Dean Graham, Kim Zeckovich, Ashley Paquette, Kari Klemme, Nicole Ellet-Petersen, Gary Gouin, Bill Perkis, Bryan Hellios

Report of Secretary
Moved by Mr. Malloy, supported by Mr. Kolesar, and carried, to approve the minutes of the January 31, 2019, Regular Meeting, February 5-9, 2019 Presidential Candidate Interviews, and the February 12, 2019 Special Board Meeting as presented.

Institutional Reports
Ms. Nicole Ellet-Petersen, the Assessment Coordinator, presented an update to the Board regarding the Assessment which is used to analyze the data provided to measure student and instructor performance and apply the information to promote positive change.

Public Comment on Agenda
None

Unfinished Business – Ongoing Progress/Reports
No update.

New Business - Financial Reports
Mr. Guenard gave a summary of January 2018 financial reports. Revenue is down 6%, even with the increase in tuition, but savings have been made with vacant positions. Adjustments can be made by reducing receivables to improve cash flow, which will be in line with the projected budget.

The changes in the fund balance have been predictable, with the auxiliary fund outperforming the previous year. Mount Zion is looking at ways to increase revenues. The hill is scheduled to close March 17, 2019.

Moved by Mr. Burchell, supported by Mr. Brown, and carried to approve the January financial reports as presented.

New Business – 2018-2019 Mid-Year Budget Adjustments
Mr. Guenard explained to the Board that the various vacant positions in the College offset the drop in tuition revenue, resulting in adjusting the contingency fund by $12,254.
Moved by Mrs. Beals, supported by Mr. Malloy, and carried, to approve the 2018-2019 budget adjustments as presented.

New Business – Cleaning Contract for Houghton Campus
Bids were offered to Stacy Brey of the Houghton campus. It was moved by Mr. Malloy, and supported by Mr. Kolesar, to stay with North Country Cleaning. Motion carried.
New Business - Consent Agenda Item – Purchase of Property

Moved by Mrs. Beals, supported by Mr. Malloy, and carried, to move forward with the formal grant of acceptance to purchase 250 Midland Ave, Ironwood, MI 49938 with the donation from the Gogebic Community College Foundation.

New Business – Admissions Policy, Second Read

Moved by Mr. Brown, supported by Mr. Burchell, and carried, to approve the changes made to the Admissions Policy.

New Business - Institutional Statements, Second Read

Moved by Mr. Malloy, supported by Mrs. Beals, and carried, to approve the changes made to the Institutional Statements.

New Business - Personnel - Construction Technology Instructor Posting

Dean List explained to the Board that since Ray Neimi announced his retirement, the position has not been posted and we now should be looking to seek his replacement. The Board discussed the number of students enrolled in this program and the study of the program offering at Copper Country, which has favorable interest, but will need advertising and recruitment the Fall of 2020 semester to be successful.

It was moved by Mrs. Beals, supported by Mr. Burchell, and carried, to move forward in finding a replacement for the Construction Technology Instructor position.

Review Contract Negotiations with Presidential Candidate – Dr. George McNulty

Mr. Kolesar and Mr. Fitting were part of the negotiations committee for Dr. McNulty and reported that he requested an annual salary of $150,000, $7500 annuity, and up to $15,000 for moving expenses. All other items and language were accepted by Dr. McNulty. He is interested in a July 1, 2019 start date.

Mr. Kolesar moved to accept and sign the contract with Dr. McNulty. Mr. Malloy supported the motion, which was carried.

Discussion of Strategic Planning

Mr. List explained to the Board that there will be forums conducted for faculty, staff, students, and the community which will last approximately an hour each, and will facilitate brainstorming ideas of improvement for the college, and how to achieve ideas that are brought up.

Public Comment on Topics Relating to GCC

None

Other Business

Mr. Guenard asked the Board members to each sign a conflict of interest form to be readily available for the Higher Learning Commission visit in April. Mr. Burchell chose not to sign the form due to the wording and expressed he felt the requirement was redundant.

Mr. Kolesar informed the Board that a committee will be put together for Board self-evaluations and will be brought to the March Regular Meeting.

Adjournment

Moved by Mr. Brown, supported by Mr. Malloy, and carried, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 5:29 pm.

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John J. Lupino, Chairman

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Susan Beals, Secretary
Next GCC Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting

Tuesday, March 26, 2019
4:30 pm – Room B22 Jacob Solin Center for Business Education