

**MCCBOA
Fall Meeting Minutes
Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort
November 6-7, 2014**

November 6, 2014

- 9:30 am MCBOA President, Cheryl Sullivan (NMC) gave opening remarks and asked for everyone in attendance to introduce themselves.
- 9:45 am Lillian Frick introduced 1st speaker Dr. Christine Hammond, President of Mid-Michigan Community College
- 9:50-10:30 am Dr. Hammond spoke on Core products of community colleges, credibility, and DQP. In addition she discussed why temperatures are rising in higher Ed using the frog in the pot metaphor and addressed current higher Ed culture and its reluctance to discuss uncomfortable facts. Dr. Hammond also discussed changing perceptions of the value of degrees by employers and parents and supported it with data and percentages and shared how Accuplacer and Compass have very little predictive value in determining student success
- 10:45-11:45 am Katie Thornton and associate from Plante Moran discussed upcoming changes to the A-133 audit and the new combined super circular also big changes for those grants involving time and effort monitoring as well as sub recipient monitoring. She also led discussion on the student loan default rate, gainful employment provisions to calculate and cash flow considerations of delayed draw downs. She also disclosed enhanced procurement regulations on federal spending.
- 1:10-1:55 pm Mike Hansen , President of the MCCA gave a legislative update including the state tax collections are down overall, MNJTP reform legislation and the difficulties in meeting the 175% of minimum wage limits in rural areas especially with the new minimum wage being raised on October 1, 2014. He also updated on stalled baccalaureate degree legislation and the dual enrollment debate currently taking place. He also noted that it was a lame duck session and that not much would probably be accomplished before year end.
- 2:00-2:45 pm Brodie Killian from William Blair & Co. and RJ Naughton from Stauder Barch and Assoc. gave an overview of the benefits of refunding and new bond issuances in the current interest rate environment and the potential to prefund an offering to shelter future interest rate increases
- 3:00-4:30 pm Tom McIntyre, President and Lisa Hoehn, VP of ALTOUR/Passageways Travel informed the group on potential savings from coordinating travel services and

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leveraging group discounts. Possible savings ideas were shared in their presentation

4:30-5:00 pm

Angie Schrauben from ORS updated everyone on new hire reporting requirements, a new 457 offering administered by ORS through VOYA, and in the spring there will be new reporting updates, and payments of the MPSERS withholding will be due as the pay cycles occur instead of monthly. Also DC records changes will be sent daily in a more easily readable format. Also 1.13% will be added to the UAAL pass-through payment for additional liability paydown.

November 7, 2014

8:30-9:15 am

Tom Dillon and an associate from GCA Education Services was on hand to give ideas on how to reduce expenditures on facility costs. They covered direct replacement, hybrid, and managed employee solutions. According to them, the most important considerations to look for when considering outsourcing in this area are support, solvency, quality, and measurement of outcomes.

9:20-9:50 am

Marilyn Peterson from the Senate Fiscal Agency presented an update on the state's budget and its impact on community colleges. Discussion ensued regarding the dual enrollment and tuition cost survey requested by the state

9:50-10:35 am

Todd Hurley moderated the MCCBOA roundtable discussion that included topics on ACS data errors, the former Gibson survey which has been renamed the Megatron survey, and the formation of the ACS Data group which was formed to work with the state on ACS matters. Deb Lutz who is on the ACS Data committee asked that anyone who would like to see changes or any reports/tables that anyone would like to be included in future reports get with her.

11:30-11:45

Bull session moderated by Todd Hurley included the passing of two millages – Montcalm-operating renewal passed and Kirtland's debt millage passed.

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Monroe reported that their request for an additional 1 mill operating millage was defeated.

11:45-12:00

Todd Hurley led the association business portion of the conference where the summer 2014 minutes and treasurer's report were approved.