

MCCBOA Spring 2012 Workshop
Henry B. Executive Center, Lansing
March 1 & 2, 2012

Thursday, March 1

MCCBOA President Ilene Scherer welcomed members of the association to the meeting and made announcements. MCCBOA President Scherer introduced the opening speaker Dr. Brent Knight, President of Lansing Community College. Dr. Knight spoke to the association about finding creative efficiencies to stay competitive. Also, he spoke about operating cost per student and financial aid fraud and abuse.

Mike Hansen, President of MCCA, spoke to the association about the new Booher formula. Mr. Hansen stated that representatives from MCCA testified in Lansing about the Governor's budget. Also, Mr. Hansen talked about efforts underway by leadership in the house and the senate to develop a strategy to fix MPERS and legislation underway for authorization of four year degree programs for community colleges.

George Erickcek of the Upjohn Institute gave an "Economic Update" presentation to the association. The presentation centered on the improving economic conditions in Michigan. Mr. Erickcek touched on topics such as the CPL, employment, housing values, and the state of manufacturers.

Justin W. Spewock of Ballard Benefits gave a presentation to the association titled "Health Care Finance 101." Mr. Spewock spoke about "Life inside the Box" and packaging (boxing up) health care risk. Also, he spoke about deductible reimbursement strategies.

Brian Quinn, Senior Managing Consultant at PFM gave a presentation to the association titled "10 Things to Consider as a Business Officer for 2012." Mr. Quinn spoke to the association about consolidating bank relationships and discussed the need to develop an RFP for services.

Healy Adams of CITI gave a presentation to the association titled "Best Practices in Electronic Payments." Miss Adams spoke about ways that community colleges could significantly impact their budgets and streamline operations by converting paper checks to more cost-effective electronic alternatives.

Friday, March 2

John Nixon, Director, State Budget Office and DTMB spoke to the association about the structurally balanced budget, a \$1.5 billion perpetual deficit eliminated. Mr. Nixon stated that the State has a new predictable and stable tax system that is simple, fair, and efficient. He shared the Governor's goal to maintain structural balance and long-term sustainability. Mr. Nixon highlighted the 2013 Strategic investment that focuses in the areas of jobs, education, public safety, infrastructure, safety net, and saving for the future.

Steve Crippen and John Donovan from the Office of Retirement Services spoke to the association about MPERS, future increases, and stranded costs.

Louise Anderson, Vice President for Finance & Business at Kalamazoo Valley Community College led the Bull Session. Topics covered during the session were best practices, bad debt, repair and maintenance, outsourcing custodial maintenance, and bookstore operations.

Association Business

Fall 2011 minutes were approved, with the motion being made by Richard Scott seconded by Jim Polkowski.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted for information after a motion by Tracey Beatty and seconded by Rosemary Zink.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Hardy, MCCBOA Secretary