SCHEDULED MEETING:  
7:30 p.m.

BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM:  
Room 1301  
Regional Technology Center

TRUSTEES PRESENT:  
Lenore Croudy  
Michael A. Freeman  
Sally Shaheen Joseph  
Matthew Norwood  
John L. Snell, Jr.  
Rafael C. Turner

TRUSTEES ABSENT:  
Albert J. Koegel

PRESIDING OFFICER:  
Lenore Croudy, Chairperson  
Regular Board Meeting: 7:30 p.m. to 8:25 p.m.

Certified As Correct:

Lenore Croudy, Chairperson  
Sally Shaheen Joseph, Secretary
Chair Croudy called the Committee of the Whole Session to order at 6:58 p.m. She called on President Walker-Griffiea, who introduced Larry Gawthrop, Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Gawthrop gave a presentation on the creation of a budgetary strategic plan, explaining how employees were asked to provide their ideas on short and long term budget savings ideas, which led to the formation of a short term budget committee, who will meet and ultimately present their recommendations to the Executive Cabinet.

Following a short question and answer period, Chair Croudy adjourned the Committee of the Whole Session at 7:08 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Croudy called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

VICE-CHAIR SNELL MOVED THAT THE AGENDA BE ADOPTED. SECRETARY JOSEPH SECONDED THE MOTION.

Chair Croudy called for a vote to adopt the agenda.

ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE. MOTION PASSED.

IV. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Chair Croudy asked Secretary Joseph to read Item 1.08 (Recognition of Contributions of Paul V. Gadola) aloud.

Chair Croudy called for a motion to approve Item 1.08.

MOVED BY SECRETARY JOSEPH, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE FREEMAN THAT THE BOARD APPROVE ITEM 1.08.

Chair Croudy called for a vote on Item 1.08.

ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE. MOTION PASSED.
Chair Croudy invited The Honorable Michael Gadola, Appeals Court Judge to come forward to accept the resolution on behalf of the Gadola family. Judge Gadola made brief remarks thanking the Board. A brief photo opportunity took place.

Chair Croudy called on Dr. Walker-Griffea, who introduced Mr. Gawthrop again. Mr. Gawthrop provided an update on bond refunding, following the Board’s approval in September to authorize the issuance of refunding bonds. He also provided information on the College’s credit rating, explaining the importance of credit ratings and reporting that the College maintains an A+ credit rating from Standard & Poor’s.

Chair Croudy called on Dr. Walker-Griffea again, who introduced Scott Jenkins, Vice-President, Student & Administrative Services, who delivered an update on the College’s water quality, explaining that the College has been performing regular testing and will be conducting additional tests as a result of the current issues surrounding the city of Flint’s water supply. Mr. Jenkins added that the tests would be submitted to the State of Michigan, and that he would send out another communication once he receives the results.

Vice-President Jenkins also briefed the Board on the State’s decision to resume their corrections officer training program and discontinue training programs with six community colleges, including Mott, and the potential impact to the College.

V. COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications.

VI. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

TRUSTEE FREEMAN MOVED THAT THE DECEMBER 15, 2014 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES BE APPROVED. VICE-CHAIR SNELL SECONDED THE MOTION.

Chair Croudy called for a vote to approve the minutes of December 15, 2014.

ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE. MOTION PASSED.

VIII. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

Acceptance of Standing Board Committee Reports:

1. Personnel (Joseph, Norwood, Turner): Secretary Joseph reported that the Personnel Committee met on January 21, 2015. Notes from that meeting appear as Attachment A.

2. Finance/Audit (Koegel, Freeman, Snell): Vice-Chair Snell reported that the Finance/Audit Committee met on January 21, 2015. Notes from that meeting appear as Attachment B.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.
X. NEW BUSINESS

Consent Agenda:

Chair Croudy called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

MOVED BY SECRETARY JOSEPH, SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR SNELL THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA.

Chair Croudy called for a vote on the Consent Agenda, Item 1.09 (Treasurer’s Report for December 2014).

ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE. MOTION PASSED.

Individual Items:

Chair Croudy called for a motion to approve Item 1.10 (Southern Lakes Branch Center (SLBC) Chiller #2 Replacement).

MOVED BY VICE-CHAIR SNELL, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE NORWOOD THAT THE BOARD APPROVE ITEM 1.10.

Chair Croudy called for a vote on Item 1.10.

ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE. MOTION PASSED.

XI. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Chair Croudy called on President Walker-Griffea, who referenced comments made by President Obama during his State of the Union address and by Governor Snyder during his State of the State address, both of which spoke to the role of community colleges in the education and training of our citizens and moving the state and nation forward. She added that community colleges are at the center of many of the initiatives mentioned in both speeches, and that MCC has to serve as a leader in addressing the gaps in the state and nation’s educational system.

She spoke about the College charting its future, announcing to the Board the creation of two task groups, one charged with capturing the tenets of a successful student experience, and the other charged with the capturing the tenets of a successful employee experience. She then asked the Board for their comments on the President’s and Governor’s statements, as well as documents from Valencia College and Montgomery College sent to the Board on crafting successful student and employee experiences.

Dr. Walker-Griffea distributed the Executive Summary and announced upcoming dates including the Community Vitality Summit on January 27, the MCCA Legislative Summit on January 29, and the ACCT/AACC National Legislative Summit on February 9-12. She also announced Board dates for February.

President Walker Griffea called on Amberly Brennan, Interim Chief Human Resources Officer, who introduced new employees Michael Bray, Shaun Bruno, and Marlene Grisham.

Dr. Walker-Griffea welcomed the new employees, and thanked the evening’s presenters. She also thanked Judge Nathaniel Perry for participating in the Organizational meeting, and Judge Michael Gadola for coming
to the Board meeting on behalf of the Gadola family. Finally, she announced that Johanna Brown, Dean of Science and Mathematics was retiring, and thanked her for her service to the College and to the community.

XII. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Comments from Board Members:

Secretary Joseph thanked everyone for today.

Vice-Chair Snell discussed all the good performed by the Foundation for Mott Community College, and invited everyone to the Friends of MCC Breakfast on May 21.

Trustee Norwood thanked Chair Croudy for her leadership and thanked everyone for helping make the College what it is.

Trustee Freeman had no comments.

Chair Croudy asked Jim Delaney, Board Attorney, to make comments; Mr. Delaney thanked the Board for their appointment of him as the College’s legal counsel, and commented that no Board whom he has worked with works as a team better than the MCC Board. He also commented on the effectiveness and efficiency of a community college education, expressing happiness that representatives of the federal government are acknowledging this as well.

Chair Croudy thanked her fellow Board members for how well they work together and thanked the audience for attending.

(Trustee Turner had to leave the meeting early.)

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no Executive Session.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Croudy declared the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Michael Simon, Assistant Secretary, Mott Community College Board of Trustees.

A copy of the official meeting minutes and a compact disc recording of the meeting in its entirety are available for public viewing/listening in the Mott Library, main campus.
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
Wednesday, January 21, 2015, 4:00 p.m., CM1019
Present: Joseph, Turner
Absent: Norwood

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Trustee Joseph.

Consent Agenda:
Treasurer’s Report for December 2014: Larry Gawthrop, Chief Financial Officer, reported that total revenues for the period ended December 31 were approximately $43.9 million, representing 58.2% of the annual budget, compared to 57.3% last year at this time. Expenditures year-to-date were at $35.3 million, representing 46.8% of the annual budget. Tuition and fee revenues were $29.3 million, and property taxes were approximately $7.5 million.

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Trustee Joseph adjourned the meeting at 4:24 p.m.
FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE
Wednesday, January 21, 2015, 12:30 p.m., CM1019
Present: Snell, Freeman
Absent: Koegel

The meeting was called to order at 12:34 p.m. by Trustee Snell.

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Trustee Snell adjourned the meeting at 12:54 p.m.