

**Moorpark College Foundation
Monthly Board Meeting
7:32 a.m. - 8:53 a.m. – November 3, 2021
Administration Building A-138 and Via Zoom**

MINUTES

MCF Board of Directors Present:

<input type="checkbox"/> Paul Aguilar	<input type="checkbox"/> Jill Haney (C)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Harris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Hoffman
<input type="checkbox"/> Jason Peplinski	<input type="checkbox"/> David Pollock	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Samantha Sale	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kathryn Stiles(S)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tim Weaver (VC)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anita Venkataraman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eckhard Walter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julius Sokenu (CFO)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Loprieno			

Staff Members (Ex-Officio) Present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jennifer Clark (T)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amanuel Gebru	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Rees
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alicia Hoffman (FC)	<input type="checkbox"/> Maria Perez-Mederios	

MCF Honorary Board Members Present:

Sylvia Sullivan

Guests: Warner Cutbill and associate, Farber Hass Hurley LLP

Recorder: Alicia Hoffman

C=Chair, VC=Vice Chair, T=Treasurer, MAL=Member-At-Large, FC=Foundation Coordinator

The meeting called to order by Vice Chair Tim Weaver, a quorum was present.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice Chair Weaver presented the agenda to the board for review.

Mike Hoffman moved to approve the agenda as presented. Tom Harris seconded the motion, and the agenda was unanimously approved with a unanimous 7-0 vote.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approve the Oct. 6, 2021 Minutes

Kathryn Stiles presented the Minutes to the board for review.

Eckhard Walter moved to approve the minutes of the Oct. 6, 2021 Board meeting as presented. Tim Weaver seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with a unanimous 7-0 vote.

III. BUDGET AND INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

A. Audit Report

Auditor Warner Cutbill, presented the report to the Board for consideration. He reported the financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Jennifer Clark joined the meeting at 7:39 a.m.

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Julius Sokenu thanked Warner Cutbill for his services and thanked the business office staff for their diligence. There was no further discussion

Mike Hoffman moved to approve the Financial Statements June 30, 2021 and 2020 as presented. Eckhard Walter seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous 8-0 vote.

B. Monthly Financials

Jennifer Clark presented the monthly financials to the Board for review, including the Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss statements, noting a change in the presentation to further clarify where the Board's assets are sitting.

Eckhard Walter move to approve the Monthly Financial Statements as presented. The motion was seconded by Tom Harris. The motion was approve with a unanimous 8-0 vote.

C. Inactive Scholarship Funds Recommendation

Jennifer Clare presented the report to the Board, noting the Budget and Investment Committee met Oct. 26 to review Scholarship funds that have been inactive for five or more years. During the meeting Maria Perez-Medeiros, Moorpark College Scholarship Technician, discussed the donor intentions for each fund. According to the Foundation Bylaws, funds that have been inactive for five or more years may be moved into the Unrestricted Scholarship Fund for re-allocation. It was the recommendation of the committee that all such funds should be moved to the General Scholarship Fund.

Kathryn Stiles moved to approve the transfer of these fund amounts to the General Scholarship Fund for reallocation at a later date. Samantha Sale seconded the motion and the motion was approved with a unanimous 8-0 vote.

IV. CHAIR REPORT

Chari Jill Haney was unavailable. There was no report given.

V. COLLEGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Update

Julius Sokenu reported on the following topics:

- Moorpark College is among 150 institutions nationwide eligible to compete for the \$1 million Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence. Moorpark College is now eligible for the 2023 prize that recognizes colleges with robust student outcomes in equity, teaching and learning, certificate and degree completion, transfer rates and bachelor's degree attainment and workforce success. This MC's second year to be recognized.
- Moorpark College was named a 2021 Champion of Higher Education for excellence in Transfer by the Campaign for College Opportunity. These are colleges and universities that lead the state and are working with intentionality to support community college students through the Associate Degree for Transfer.
- Moorpark College was named one of the Top 7 Associates Arts degree granting institutions in California and the best community college in the country for value for cost of education by University HQ.

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- The College continues to prepare for the spring semester and is expecting more students returning to campus for instruction with a third of classes in-person, a third hybrid or hyflex, and a third online.
- Enrollment is down 9 percent from last year and is on par with other community colleges. Funding will remain steady through 23-24, but after that will be based on enrollment once again, so increasing numbers now would be good. This is a nationwide issue.

Mary Reese reported on the following:

- The college is working with the city of Moorpark to create opportunities for students in Cyber Security
- The college is working to obtain military services credits for students
- Alternate scheduling has been well received on-campus and the 8-week courses are popular with students. The university will be increasing the number of classes offered in this format.

Amanuel Gebru reported the following:

- Administration and Outreach are encouraging students to return to campus
- A virtual Open House is scheduled for continuing and new students with an in-person follow-up with registration, and tours tomorrow

B. Adventist Health Simi Valley Partnership

Julius Sokenu introduced the draft MOU of the partnership with Adventist Health Simi Valley and noted the following key points:

- Key areas of benefit include Raider Central – basic needs center, Career Development – Healthcare Pathways, Access to Healthcare services on-site, and Athletic Program and Sports Medicine.
- \$500, 000-plus commitment over three years
- A model for other partnerships that combine cash value with in-kind support and help build connections and community support for the college

Kathryn Stiles, noted the agreement establishes a floor that can be built on

Sokenu noted the agreement is currently under the chancellor’s review and once approval is received the foundation can chart a course for the announcement of the agreement.

VI. BOARD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Tim Weaver delivered the report to the Board.

A. New board member consideration

Weaver presented the resume of Melissa Miller to the Board for consideration, noting the candidate was introduced to the Board by Jill Haney and Julius Sokenu, who have both had interactions with the candidate. Weaver noted the committee would like to recommend Miller for approval as a member of the Board.

Kathryn Stiles moved to approve Miller as a member of the Board. The motion was seconded by Mike Hoffman. The motion was approved with a unanimous 8-0 vote.

Anita Venkataraman joined the meeting at 7:53

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A. Board Member Professional Development

Weaver announced that he and Haney are continuing calls to board members and the committee is discussing a more thorough Board member training that will include committee information and assignments.

VII. ALUMNI COMMITTEE

President Sokenu reported the following to the Board:

- The association continues to reach out to the community and is building the brand of the MCAA
- Social Media and in-person outreach is taking place
- Alumni text and video profiles are being worked on and should be published soon
- MCAA presented a series of Alumni Transfer Panels where alumni spoke to prospective transfer students about the application process and their experiences. A spring series will focus on what's after admission
- MCAA is planning an "American Idiot" VIP event.

VIII. MARKETING COMMITTEE

A. Job Ready Alumni Forum Update

John Loprieno reported the Job Ready Alumni Forums will resume in the spring with Film, Television and Media Arts and possibly Journalism. Samantha Sale suggested it may be time to do another Biotech Forum as well

B. Mini Campaigns

John Loprieno announced that the Foundation is now set up to do more frequent mini-campaigns and appeals not that we have better functionality on our CRM with the addition of Kindful giving pages and crowdfunding capabilities. We will be starting with a Giving Tuesday Campaign and will follow up with Holiday appeal and donor outreach. Credit card readers have now been ordered for events as well.

C. Simi Street Fair Booth Oct. 30

Mike Hoffman reported the Foundation provided a booth at the Simi Valley Street Fair on Oct. 30 that was manned by the Outreach office and three student workers. About 20,000 people were in attendance at the event and the booth provided an opportunity for Moorpark College to interact with the community. There may be another opportunity to do this in the spring.

IX. PENDING BUSINESS: None

X. NEW BUSINESS:

Ideas for fundraising opportunities were briefly discussed including the following:

- Using Solar Village as a community venue to host events
- A possible summer music festival venue for an alumni-organized campus event

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Tom Harris moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Anita Venkataraman and the motion was approved with a unanimous 9-0 vote.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, Dec.1, 2021

7:30 a.m. – Administration Building A-138 and Via Zoom