

At a regular meeting of the members of the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of Grand Rapids Community College, Michigan (the "College"), held at the College on September 17, 2018

PRESENT: Trustee Bailey, Trustee Stewart, Trustee Brane,
Trustee Bristol, Trustee Brivinsma, Trustee Sanchez, & Chairperson Koefje

ABSENT: —

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Trustee Brivinsma, and seconded by Trustee Bristol:

Whereas the Grand Rapids Community College is a community college duly constituted under Act 331 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1966, as amended ("Act 331");

And, Whereas the State of Michigan, through Public Act 265, Section 230 (2) of the Michigan Public Acts of 2018 has indicated that the appropriation noted in Section 201(2) of the same Act shall be allocated to each community college that certifies to the state budget director, through a resolution adopted by a board of trustees, that the college has met 4 out of 5 best practices listed in each category described in Section 230, subsection (3);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Grand Rapids Community College:

The Board hereby certifies that the College has met all 5 of the best practices described in Public Act 265, Section 230, subsection (3) and offers the following examples of practices currently in place at the College in order to demonstrate compliance;

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| Category A: Economic Development and Business or Industry Partnerships (must meet 4 of 5) | |
| (i) The community college has active partnerships with local employers including hospitals and health care providers. | GRCC currently has 135 signed clinical agreements with medical and dental professionals in the region. Additionally, through our grants and apprenticeship work we have over 750 company partners sponsoring both credit and non-credit apprentices. |
| (ii) The community college provides customized on-site training for area companies, employees, or both. | GRCC has provided customized training to 61 companies, through 328 classes, reaching 2,592 people during the past fiscal year. In addition 424 companies were served through workforce training, job training, continuing education and professional development. |
| (iii) The community college supports entrepreneurship through a small business assistance center or other training or consulting activities targeted toward small businesses. | GRCC supports small businesses in West Michigan by offering several classes and programs in partnership with the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce, West Michigan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and SCORE. We offer 61 online classes through Pierson Learnings Ed2Go that range from QuickBooks and budgeting, to how to build a business plan, staffing plan and leadership development and many other titles. |
| (iv) The community college supports technological advancement through industry partnerships, incubation activities, or operation of a Michigan technical education center or other advanced technology center. | <p>The College operates two technical education centers. The Tassell MTEC is located in Grand Rapids and offers hands on training programs in manufacturing, automotive repair, certified nursing assistant, phlebotomy, plumbing, construction trades, sustainability and deconstruction, computer support, sterile processing technology, medical assistant, personal trainer, renewable energy, masonry, mechanical, and concrete and iron worker training.</p> <p>The Tassell MTEC, at the request of industry partners, has also added training in public works and integrated language and technical skill training to meet local talent needs. The Thompson MTEC is located in Holland and operated in partnership with the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District. It is a main hub of operations for the College's Lakeshore Campus.</p> |

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| | <p>This center also hosts our open entry-open exit coursework in welding, CNC machining, and electrical/electronics. These courses support GRCC's apprenticeship efforts in Ottawa County. This facility also supports the programming for the Industrial Maintenance Middle College certificate in partnership with Ottawa Area ISD.</p> |
| <p>(v) The community college has active partnerships with local or regional workforce and economic development agencies.</p> | <p>GRCC has active partnerships with a number of local and regional workforce and economic development agencies, including West Michigan Works, The Right Place, Lakeshore Advantage, The Source, Talent 2025, Hello West Michigan, Discover Manufacturing, Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center- West, West Michigan Health Career Council, West Michigan Tech Talent and the Michigan Manufacturing Association. In addition, there are partnerships with non-profits working in workforce development (e.g., Goodwill of Greater Grand Rapids, Hope Network, Bethany Christian Services, Urban League of Greater Grand Rapids) and the Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce, Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce and West Michigan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.</p> |
| <p>Category B: Educational partnerships (must meet 4 of 5)</p> | |
| <p>(i) The community college has active partnerships with regional high schools, intermediate school districts, and career-tech centers to provide instruction through dual enrollment, concurrent enrollment, direct credit, middle college, or academy programs.</p> | <p>GRCC currently has more than 70 active partnerships in place with public, non-public and charter regional high schools, intermediate school districts, and technology centers through dual enrollment. We have 10 – 14 active concurrent enrollment sites and six early/middle college partnerships in place. GRCC also has three active regional sites whereby we partner with a local high school to host evening college courses.</p> |
| <p>(ii) The community college hosts, sponsors, or participates in enrichment programs for area K-12 students, such as college days, summer or after-school programming, or science Olympiad.</p> | <p>GRCC hosts, co-sponsors, and participates in outreach and enrichment programs that are designed to engage and encourage area K12 students to pursue the community college educational opportunities. Programs include HS nights, tours, on-campus career specific college days, skilled trade camps, Cruisin' to College Summer academic readiness sessions, youth</p> |

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| | conferences, MiCareerQuest, SkillsUSA Statewide Competition and more. |
| <p>(iii) The community college provides, supports, or participates in programming to promote successful transitions to college for traditional age students, including grant programs such as talent search, upward bound, or other activities to promote college readiness in area high schools and community centers.</p> | <p>GRCC continues to partner with Grand Rapids Public Schools and Grand Rapids Community Foundation on Challenge Scholars at Union High School. This year, GRCC will work with the freshman, sophomore and junior classes to prepare them for successful entry into GRCC or other higher education institutions.</p> <p>GRCC also offers FastTrack services to incoming traditional age and non-traditional age students, allowing them to brush up in reading/writing and math. This program allows students to bypass remedial coursework, saving time and money.</p> |
| <p>(iv) The community college provides, supports, or participates in programming to promote successful transitions to college for new or reentering adult students, such as adult basic education, GED preparation and testing, or recruiting, advising, or orientation activities specific to adults.</p> | <p>GRCC provides a vibrant ESL program to support adult learners.</p> |
| <p>(v) The community college has active partnerships with regional 4-year colleges and universities to promote successful transfer, such as articulation, 2+2, or reverse transfer agreements or operation of a university center.</p> | <p>GRCC currently has 27 active partnerships with 4-year colleges and universities, including articulated programs and seven reverse transfer agreements. The articulated programs can be separated into the following categories, with the number of each indicated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Articulated Pre-Majors (2+2 agreements): 14 ● Articulated Pre-Professional Programs (2+2 agreements): 2 ● Articulated Career Programs (2+2 agreements): 4 <p>In addition, GRCC promotes successful transfer through offering pre-majors in the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● General Pre-Majors: 21 ● General Pre-Professional Programs: 3 |

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| Category C: Community Services (must meet 4 of 5) | |
| <p>(i) The community college provides continuing education programming for leisure, wellness, personal enrichment, or professional development.</p> | <p>GRCC provided 271 continuing education courses serving approximately 7,884 students during 2017/18.</p> |
| <p>(ii) The community college operates or sponsors opportunities for community members to engage in activities that promote leisure, wellness, cultural or personal enrichment such as community sports teams, theater or musical ensembles, or artist guilds.</p> | <p>GRCC will hold 5-7 separate visual art events in the Collins Art Gallery. Both the Collins Art Gallery and Spectrum Theater have been venues for ArtPrize since its inception. Fourteen separate productions were presented in GRCC's Spectrum Theater, and 30 separate musical recitals or concerts were held at local facilities. GRCC also sponsors the Kent Philharmonic Orchestra, a community ensemble. All arts events and performances are open to the community.</p> |
| <p>(iii) The community college operates public facilities to promote cultural, educational, or personal enrichment for community members, such as libraries, computer labs, performing arts centers, museums, art galleries, or television or radio stations.</p> | <p>GRCC provides multiple opportunities to promote cultural, educational, or personal enrichment for community members through the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GRCC hosts an annual "Diversity Lecture Series" that features national speakers on a variety of topics. In 2017-2018, the 23rd Annual series featured Social Neuroscientist John Cacioppo, Author and Advocate Julissa Arce and Author and Social Justice Advocate Negin Farsad. This series is free to the community. • The GRCC Music Center provides rehearsal space for the Grand Rapids Choir of Men and Boys. • Our Applied Technology Center provided over 50 programs and served more than 4,500 students and community members last year. Programs included: Empco Testing for Police Academy, New Student Orientations (on main campus and at area high schools), High School Campus Visits, Nursing Program Testing, Fast Track, Skills USA, Library Instruction sessions, Police Academy Licensing Exam, MCOLES Testing, GRPS First Scholars, GRCC Summer Learning Academy, TRIO Resume Workshop, MiCup/LI-LSAMP PowerPoint and |

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| | <p>Illustrator Trainings, Admissions Fall & Spring Open Houses, MI Association of Continuing Education and Training (MACET), Hobart Sales and Service training, FSU and GRCC Blackboard trainings, Accuplacer & ALEKS placement testing, and Open Computer & Tutorial Labs.</p> |
| <p>(iv) The community college operates public facilities to promote leisure or wellness activities for community members, including gymnasiums, athletic fields, tennis courts, fitness centers, hiking or biking trails, or natural areas.</p> | <p>GRCC operates a gymnasium, a fitness center, and aquatic facility that are all open to the public and available for community use.</p> |
| <p>(v) The community college promotes, sponsors, or hosts community service activities for students, staff, or community members.</p> | <p>The College supports a range of programs and activities aimed at connecting faculty and students to our community including: several sections of courses integrating service learning, Community Science Day through the Biological Sciences Department, United Way's School of Hope program, processes that promote Community Partner Trainings and service opportunities for students, hosting marketing tables on campus for nonprofits, and finally coordinating service events as part of the GRCC Honors Program.</p> |

Adopted this 17th day of September, 2018

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Grand Rapids Community College, County of Kent, State of Michigan, at a meeting held on September 17, 2018, the original of which is on file in my office and available to the public. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, including in the case of a special or rescheduled meeting, notice by posting at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time set for said meeting.

GRAND RAPIDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

State of Michigan

By: 
Chairperson, Board of Trustees

Countersigned:

By: 
Secretary, Board of Trustees

