

**MINUTES**  
**NORTH CENTRAL MICHIGAN COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**REGULAR MEETING – Library Conference Rooms 1 & 2**  
**Tuesday, February 27, 2024 (4:00 p.m.)**

Vice President Strom shared the following communications:

a. NCMC | DU BSN Completion Partnership

On Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, multiple news sources featured the signing event that formalized the partnership between North Central and Davenport University. This partnership allows easy transfers for nursing graduates to complete their BSN without having to leave the area.

There was much excitement around the event and what it means for health care and our community!

The full articles may be found here:

UpNorthLive: [NCMC partners with Davenport University to assist nursing students](#)

Petoskey News-Review: [NCMC, Davenport partnership for nursing graduates formalized in signing event](#)

MLive/Grand Rapids Press: [Davenport University expands nursing program to Northern Michigan to address shortages](#)

MiTechNews: [NCMC, Davenport University Partner To Expand Nursing Education In Northern Michigan](#)

b. NCMC Expands Academic Offerings

On Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, both the Petoskey News Review and the Harbor Light news featured articles on the new academic programs here at North Central. Those three programs are: Associate of Applied Science in Digital Art and Design, Associate of Arts Concentration in Teacher Education, and Associate of Science Concentration in Medical and Health Sciences.

President Finley was quoted:

*These new degree programs reflect NCMC's commitment to providing high-quality education and fostering student success in diverse fields. We are excited to offer students structured pathways to pursue their passions and build successful careers in Northern Michigan and beyond.*

Thank you again, to everyone who had a part in creating these new programs!

Articles can be found here:

Petoskey News-Review:

On Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, Petoskey News Review featured NCMC runner Emma Duncan, who signed a Letter of Intent to run for Ferris State University for her next two years.

*Throughout her two-year career as a Timberwolf she collected numerous awards, including NCMC's first-ever All-American award, as presented by the NJCAA Cross Country Coaches Association. She earned NJCAA Region XII All-Region honors, All MCCAAs honors, and was part of the trio of first runners to compete at the NJCAA National Championships for North Central.*

We are so proud of Emma, her teammates, coach Rod Anderson, and assistant coach Andy Place.

The full article can be online at:

<https://www.petoskeynews.com/story/sports/college/2024/02/01/hard-work-pays-off-at-ncmc-for-inland-lakes-emma-duncan/72428465007/>

d. NCMC Releases Fall 2023 Scholars List

On Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, NCMC released the 2023 Scholars Lists. 426 students earned top academic honors for the fall semester. Forty-four students notched highest academic honors and were named to the President's List for earning a 4.0 grade point average in at least 12 credit hours (full-time status). An additional 122 full

## 8. FINANCIAL REPORT

Dr. Tom Zeidel, Vice President for Finance & Facilities was asked by Trustee Fought to provide a financial report for January 2024. Tom certified that the financials as of January 2024 are within the adopted tentative budget for 2023-24.

It was moved by Trustee Fought and supported by Trustee Kring that the financial report and statement of bills be accepted as submitted.

AYES: Trustees Kring, Fought, Keiswetter (via phone), Pretty, Rasmussen, and Shirilla

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Etienne

regulations of all federal award programs affecting the College. That report for 2023 was delivered to the College subsequent to the January 2024 board meeting. That is why it is now being brought to your attention.

Trustee Pretty inquired about how long the College has used the firm of Rehmann. Trustee Fought and VP Zeidel noted it has been 3-4 years. VP Zeidel also noted that in the state of Michigan there are only two firms that will

None.

12. NEW BUSINESS

None.

13. UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT.

None.

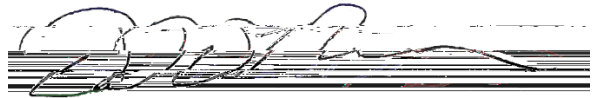
14. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business, Trustee Fought motioned and Trustee Pretty supported that the meeting be adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

AYES: Trustees Kring, Fought, Keiswetter (via phone), Pretty, Rasmussen, and Shirilla

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Trustee Etienne



/S/ Daniel D. Rasmussen, Chairman



/S/ Melissa Keiswetter, Secretary