Glen Oaks Community College
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
August 20, 2026 – 8:00 A.M.
Boardroom, Glen Oaks Community College

TRUSTEES PRESENT:
Bruce Gosling, Chairperson
Carol Higgins, Vice Chairperson
Kim Bontrager, Treasurer
Rod Lopez, Secretary
Elizabeth Datkovic, Trustee
P. Joseph "Joe" Haas, Trustee
Richard "Rick" Cordes, Trustee

TRUSTEES ABSENT:
None

OTHERS PRESENT:
Dr. Bryan Newton, President
Dr. Adam Cloutier, Vice President of Academics
Tonya Howden, Vice President of Student Services
Dr. Tracy Labadie, Vice President of Finance & Administration
Jamie Yesh, Executive Director of Human Resources
Denise DeVries, Executive Director of Communications & Marketing
Andrew Wingard, Executive Director of GOCC Foundation
Dr. Sara Birch, Dean of Health & Natural Sciences
Ben Fries, Dean of Career & Applied Sciences
Michelle McNamara, Faculty Senate President
Lori Burleigh, Radiologic Technology Program Director
Melissa Blair, Nursing Instructor
Lisa Cripe, Nursing Instructor
Christina Steele, Director of Allied Health
Diane Zinsmaster, Executive Associate to President

1. CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

Chairperson Bruce Gosling called the regular meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Higgins, second by Datkovic, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

3. MOMENT OF SILENCE

A moment of silence was observed in honor of the upcoming Fall Semester start.

4. INTRODUCTION OF ATTENDEES

Everyone introduced themselves.

5. FOCUS TOPIC: RADIOLOGY PROGRAM UPDATE – LORI BURLEIGH

Lori Burleigh, Radiologic Technology Program Director, presented an update on development of the College's Radiologic Technology program. She reviewed accreditation and compliance requirements, including standards of the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT), the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT), the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT), and the Higher Learning Commission. The curriculum is designed to combine didactic instruction, interactive laboratory experiences, and extensive clinical education while maintaining required limits on student contact hours and emphasizing radiation safety, patient care, communication, critical thinking, professionalism, and ethical practice.

The proposed curriculum includes general education requirements and radiography coursework in patient care and positioning, principles of radiology, radiation physics and biology, image production and quality assurance, pathology and cross-sectional anatomy, radiation protection, interventional procedures, pharmacology, ethics, and registry review. Students will demonstrate competency in the laboratory before progressing to supervised clinical practice and will complete approximately 1,560 clinical hours across five clinical experiences.

Beacon Health System is serving as a key clinical partner and has identified multiple potential clinical sites in the region. Beacon is also exploring a tuition-support program tied to an employment commitment. Ms. Burleigh noted the strong regional demand for radiologic technologists and related imaging professionals and reviewed proposed program-effectiveness goals for credentialing examination pass rates, job placement, and program completion. An advisory committee has been established to provide industry and community feedback as the program is developed.

Ms. Burleigh also reviewed anticipated program expenses, laboratory and equipment needs, and potential opportunities for donated radiology equipment. The proposed program is targeted to begin in Winter 2027, subject to required approvals and completion of program and laboratory development. The Board will review the detailed program proposal at a future meeting.

6. APPROVAL OF JUNE 11, 2026, BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Cordes, second by Higgins, to approve the June 11, 2026, Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

7. TREASURER'S REPORT

Dr. Tracy Labadie presented the Treasurer's Report and reviewed July revenue and expense activity. She reported that financial activity is generally trending as expected. Tuition revenue is slightly higher than the prior year, reflecting both tuition-rate changes and increased enrollment. Professional services expenses are higher due primarily to consulting work associated with the Strategic Enrollment Management Plan and facilities master planning. Software licensing and maintenance costs are also seasonally higher in July and August as annual agreements are renewed.

Property Tax Revenue	$ 7,239
State Fund Revenue	$ 8,553
Tuition Revenue	$157,018
Fee Revenue	$ 0
Interest Income	$ 10,617
Misc. Income	$ 1,944
Student Housing	$ 0

The Treasurer's Report will be filed pending audit.

8. AUDIT / FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Board received an update regarding adjustments required following approval of the State budget. Revenue assumptions were revised to comply with State limitations affecting student fee revenue. Performance funding included in the State budget is expected to offset the adjustment, resulting in an overall budget impact that is approximately neutral. The related amended student general fee rate and Policy 310 will be presented for Board consideration and action under Item 12(c).

9. STATE / NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

President Newton provided a federal and state legislative update. At the federal level, he discussed the College Transparency Act, which would establish a more comprehensive national postsecondary data system addressing enrollment, completion, student debt, and other outcomes. He noted that the proposed system would better reflect community college students, including part-time and workforce-development students, than existing federal reporting measures (IPEDS).

President Newton also discussed a recent U.S. Department of Education call for colleges and universities to publicly articulate commitments related to teaching, research, and national service. Community colleges are seeking additional guidance regarding the applicability of the request. He further noted recent federal education funding developments, including unspent appropriated funds and the broader impact of federal funding decisions on higher education programs.

At the State level, President Newton reported that Glen Oaks Community College received a 1.3% increase in operating funding. Michigan Reconnect eligibility was expanded by lowering the eligible age from 25 to 21, and the Community College Guarantee was funded again. The State also approved a $40 million dual-enrollment fund targeted at high-need

high schools. Because the College serves rural districts that may qualify, administration will continue to monitor implementation guidance and potential reimbursement opportunities. President Newton also reported that a $250,000 legislative-directed spending request advanced for consideration but was not included in the final State budget.

10. VISITOR COMMENTS

None.

11. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None.

12. ACTION ITEMS

a./b.. Approve Continuing Contract (Professor) status for Melissa Blair and Lisa Cripe
Motion by Higgins, second by Haas, to approve Continuing Contract (Professor) status to Melissa Blair and Lisa Cripe. Motion carried.

c. Approve 2026-2027 Amended Student General Fee Rate and Amended Policy 3.10 to reflect the 2026-2027 tuition and fees rates.
Motion by Higgins, second by Datkovic to approve 2026-2027 Amended Student General Fee Rate and to amend Policy 310 to reflect the 2026-2027 tuition and fee rates.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	
VOTING AYE:	**Bontrager, Cordes, Haas, Higgins, Datkovic, Lopez and Gosling**
VOTING NAYE:	**None**
MOTION:	**Carried**

13. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Written administrative reports were included in the Board packet.

14. CLOSED SESSION

None.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Haas, second by Cordes to adjourn. Chairperson Gosling adjourned the meeting at 9:07 a.m.

The Board Retreat is scheduled to take place in the Dresser Business Development Auditorium immediately following this meeting.

Next Board Meeting: September 10, 2026

Bruce Gosling — Chairperson, Board of Trustees

Diane Zinsmaster — Recording Secretary