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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts
BOARD OF TRUSTEES STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, December 6, 2011
Admissions Office Conference Room**

The following Trustees were present:

Tyler Fairbank, Chair
Jaynelle Bellemore

The following Trustees were absent:

Shirley Edgerton

Others present:

Mary K. Grant, President
Charlotte Degen, Dean of Students
Joseph Charon, Director of Public Safety
Scott Nichols, Director of Athletics
Greg LeBeau, Public Safety Officer
Stanley Spiewak, Public Safety Officer
Adam Hildabrand, Head Men's Soccer Coach
Jackie Nash '12, MCLA student
Scott LeBeau, father of Officer LeBeau
Thomas Bernard, Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. by Trustee Fairbank.

Swearing In Campus Police Officer Greg LeBeau

Over the past several years, MCLA has followed the practice of swearing in MCLA campus police officers at a point in time following at least one full year of service. This brief ceremony acknowledges publically the officers' commitment to the campus, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the constitution of the United States as well as to protect the general welfare of the campus, and the students, faculty, and staff who make up the MCLA community.

President Grant administered an oath of office to Officer LeBeau. Director Charon spoke about Officer LeBeau's preparation, professionalism, and contributions as a member of the department since 2008. President Grant thanked Officer LeBeau, Director Charon, and the team in public safety for their hard work and dedication. Trustee Fairbank offered congratulations to Officer LeBeau on behalf of the Board.

Fall Athletic Program Review

Athletic Director Scott Nichols presented a review of the fall athletics program. He noted the fall was highly competitive, and the MCLA teams played many close games. He also highlighted individual student athlete accomplishments, including:

- Women's soccer player Jen Wehner's selection to the All-MASCAC First Team. As a member of the women's basketball team, she also was named to the DIII News Pre-Season All-American team.
- Women's soccer players Kaitlyn Dano (first team), and Kasie Harrington (second team) were also All-MASCAC selections.
- Men's soccer players Morgan Chichester and Jake McCall were named to the All-MASCAC first and second teams respectively
- Women's volleyball players Kayla Bromback and Kelley Bryant were All-MASCAC second team selections.

In addition to competitive seasons from all MCLA teams, Director Nichols noted the success of the annual Golf Classic fundraiser, and the celebration of alumni student-athletes during the Athletic Hall of Fame induction ceremony held during MCLA's Reunion and Fall Family Weekend in October.

Director Nichols cited the quality and dedication of the MCLA coaching staff, and their commitment to their players and their programs. He also discussed the commitment to service among MCLA student athletes, and the service projects they participated in during the fall. These included the women's soccer team working at a church charity center, and the men's baseball team helping with local athletic field clean up following Hurricane Irene. Trustee Fairbank noted that this sense of community is evident across the College.

Selecting a Mascot for MCLA

Coach Adam Hildebrand and mascot committee member Jackie Nash '12 presented an overview of the College mascot selection process. This work is about engaging students, faculty, alumni, and community members in identifying an icon to MCLA's existing Trailblazer identity and logo. This would be a mascot appropriate for athletics, as well as for other College branding.

The committee discussed how best to collect and consider community input, and a process of recommending a mascot for approval. Coach Hildebrand agreed to draft a summary document that will outline the community input process. Trustee Fairbank suggested working with a volunteer who can assist with branding and design, and help focus community input around both an image and a name.

Adjournment

Having no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m.