

Official Proceedings of the Meeting of the
Alpena Community College Board of Trustees Property Subcommittee
April 23, 2015
President's Office, Besser Technical Center 125C
Alpena, MI 49707

The Property Subcommittee of the Alpena Community College Board of Trustees met to discuss property issues on Thursday, April 23, at 8:00 a.m. in the President's Office BTC-125C, on the Alpena Campus.

Present: John Briggs, Joe Gentry II, and Thomas Townsend. Also in attendance were ACC President Olin Joynton, Acting Secretary of the Board of Trustees Penny Boldrey, ACC Science Instructor Deborah Hautau, Vice President for Workforce Development Don MacMaster, RedSky Raptor Founder Jeremy Stoppa.

Jeremy Stoppa shared a variety of details about the proposed RedSky Raptor Center, which he hopes will be a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. He currently has hired a firm to complete and file his application for non-profit status. Jeremy is looking for a land donation from Alpena Community College of three to ten acres to house the new facility, which would care for wounded raptors including owls, and eagles. Jeremy stated that he'd prefer a donation of land versus a lease.

Currently, Mary Beth Stutzman and Deborah Hautau are serving on the RedSky Raptor Center Board of Directors along with Jeremy. Jeremy hopes to clear the property in the fall and then begin construction on two mews to house the raptors. Construction on the large building, which would include an infirmary, office, and rehab mews would begin when funding was secured. The committee members and guests viewed Jeremy's renderings for the RedSky Raptor Center.

Trustee Gentry inquired as to the possible collaboration with the Nature's Kingdom Wildlife Rehab in Harrisville. Jeremy was unfamiliar with the facility. Trustee Townsend encouraged Jeremy to come back and meet with the committee when he has secured the 501(c)(3) non-profit status, has initial funding in place, developed a plan for ongoing funding, and a more accurate estimate on construction costs.

Trustee Townsend then adjourned the subcommittee meeting at 8:50 a.m.

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