

February 8, 2018

COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 3

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.
CHAIR SAVAGE PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received and filed:
- a. COMM. 2M-1 (2018)
BUFFALO NIAGARA FILM COMMISSION: “Final Report for Buffalo Niagara Film Commission for 2017”
(6-0)

2. COMM. 3E-19 (2018)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHEREAS, The SUNY Erie Board of Trustees approved the SUNY System Administration Participating Institution Agreement (PIA) License for Blackboard Learn Renewal at their January 25, 2018 Board Meeting; and

WHEREAS, SUNY System Administration and Blackboard are the approved vendor for the college’s Learning Management System (LMS) from now through December 21, 2020 with a total cost of \$283,843 spread over three years; and

WHEREAS, The Erie County Legislature must approve contracts in excess of \$50,000 for the College; and

WHEREAS, Blackboard will remain the LMS for the college’s distance learning program and a course shell will be created for all classes on all campuses to increase the persistence, retention, and graduation rates of SUNY Erie students; and

WHEREAS, Blackboard has been the college’s LMS since the Fall 2014 semester; and

WHEREAS, Maintaining a LMS allows the college to continue its distance education program, which makes up 15 percent of the college’s Full Time Equivalences (FTE’s); and

WHEREAS, SUNY Erie has adequate funds available in its operating budget to cover the cost of this LMS. This initiative is in collaboration with SUNY Erie faculty, staff, and students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby approves awarding a contract to SUNY System Administration and Blackboard for the purpose of continuing the implementation of SUNY Erie’s distance learning at a cost to the college not to exceed \$283,843 over the three years of the PIA; and be it further

RESOLVED, the SUNY Erie President is authorized to enter a contract with SUNY System Administration and Blackboard for the above-mentioned services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the President of SUNY Erie, and the Chairman of the SUNY Erie Board of Trustees.
(5-0) Chair Savage not present for vote.

THOMAS A. LOUGHRAN
CHAIR