



Southwestern Michigan College

Board Policy – Business Services – Primary Depositories

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DIVISION III – BUSINESS SERVICES

III.11 PRIMARY DEPOSITORIES

The College shall use financial institutions designated by the Board of Trustees as Primary Depositories to manage College funds through their Trust Department. They are also authorized to manage demand deposits and certificate of deposits in excess of FDIC limits, up to the limits set forth in III.10.2.

The College President shall recommend candidates for Primary Depositories to the Board of Trustees.

The President shall include, but not be limited to, the following factors when making his recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

- A. All banks must be insured by FDIC and have at least the following minimum ratings by at least two agencies at the time of designation as a Primary Depository:
 1. Bauer Financial: Three Stars
 2. Moody's (Financial Strength): A-
 3. S & P: A-
- B. Consideration may be given those financial institutions which have a history of service to Southwestern Michigan College and the community. Safety and liquidity preempts such special consideration.

The following financial institutions are currently designated Primary Depositories for Southwestern Michigan College:

1. Fifth Third Bank
2. 1st Source Bank
3. TCF Bank (previously Chemical Bank)

The College administration shall review the ratings of each Primary Depository annually and report to the Board of Trustees any information that would suggest concern.

The College administration shall determine the scope of services received from any of the approved Primary Depositories.