

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Board of Trustees Room, Z203
La-Z-Boy Center
5:00 p.m., May 20, 2013

Members present: William J. Bacarella Jr., Joseph N. Bellino Jr., William H. Braunlich, James DeVries, Marjorie A. Kreps, Linda S. Lauer, Mary Kay Thayer

Members absent: None

1. Chair Bacarella called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was a video conference with John Steinecke, ACCT - Search Services Specialist, to prepare for interviews with finalists for the presidency of Monroe County Community College.

2. John Steinecke addressed the board via video over IP to recommend a course of action for board interviews with finalists. ACCT provided trustees with a preliminary list of twelve questions that could be asked of the candidates. Trustees were given the opportunity to amend the list. A revised list of questions will be provided and used based on the changes. Each trustee - except Chair Bacarella who will act as moderator - will ask the candidate two questions at scheduled public meetings on May 21 and May 22.

The trustees, staff, and public will have opportunities to meet and ask questions of the candidates when they are on campus. Comment forms will be distributed to those attending public and staff forums. Trustees will have the opportunity to review the forms prior to final discussion of the candidates at a special meeting on Wednesday, May 22 at 7:45 p.m.

At the special meeting, the board will meet in closed session via video over IP with ACCT to discuss reference information on the finalists which was collected by ACCT. Dialogue in closed session will be limited to reference information only. Any discussion regarding the selection of the candidate will be done in the open public meeting that will immediately follow adjournment of the closed session. During the open meeting, recommendation of a candidate will be made in the form of a motion. Discussion and possible selection will be made at the open meeting.

Mr. Steinecke explained the value of a group decision on the selection of the college's next president. Unanimity is not as important as consensus. Consensus gives the next president a message of unity among the board. It is also important to give the new president a clear set of instructions and expectations as to the vision of the college's future. Agreement among the board will help the next president execute the needs of the board and the college as a whole.

A draft of the strategic focus of the MCCC Board of Trustees was distributed to the trustees. It was meant to be a guide to begin discussion on the board's priorities for the new president. The Board needs to provide clear objectives for the new president and to come to an agreement around those principals. Trustees will have the opportunity for input.

It was moved by Dr. DeVries and seconded by Mrs. Thayer that the meeting be adjourned.

The motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Bacarella Jr.
Chair

Linda Lauer
Secretary

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These minutes were approved at the June 24, 2013 Board of Trustees meeting.