

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

Board of Trustees Room, Z-203
Via Microsoft Teams/La-Z-Boy Center
7:30 a.m., August 23, 2021

Members present: Florence M. Buchanan; Lynette M. Dowler; Steve Hill; Krista K. Lambrix; Aaron N. Mason; and Mary Kay Thayer

Not present: William T. Bruck

Also present: Scott Behrens; Jack Burns, A.J. Fischer; Brian Lay; Laura Manley; Joshua Myers; Kojo Quartey; Linda Torbet; Suzanne Wetzel; Grace Yackee, and Penny Dorcey (recording secretary)

1. Chair Dowler called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. and took attendance as follows:

Mary Kay Thayer – Home, Lambertville, MI; Aaron N. Mason – Home, Monroe Charter Township; Florence M. Buchanan – Home, Monroe Charter Township, MI; Steven Hill – Ohio Turnpike; Krista K. Lambrix – ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital, Monroe, MI; Dowler – Home, Newport, MI

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and act upon the contract negotiations between the College District and the Monroe County Community College Maintenance Association (MCCCMA); to consider proposed changes to Policy 1.71, Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) Policy; and to discuss the meeting format for the September, October, and November regular Board meetings. The regular meeting agenda is suspended for this meeting.

2. There were no delegations present.
3. *It was moved by Mr. Mason and supported by Mr. Hill that Policy 1.71, Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA), be revised as presented.*

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Yes (6) Mary Kay Thayer, Aaron N. Mason; Florence M. Buchanan;
Steve Hill; Krista K. Lambrix; Lynette M. Dowler
No (0) None

The motion carried.

4. *It was moved by Ms. Thayer and supported by Mr. Mason that the meeting move into closed session to discuss faculty negotiations in accordance with Sections 8 (c) and 8 (h) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act to discuss issues related to the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement.*
5. The motion carried and the meeting moved into closed session at 7:47a.m.
6. The Board resumed the regular session of the special meeting at 8:20 a.m. and Chair Dowler took attendance as follows:

Mary Kay Thayer – Home, Lambertville, MI; Aaron N. Mason – Home, Monroe Charter Township; Florence M. Buchanan – Home, Monroe Charter Township, MI; Steven Hill – Ohio Turnpike; Krista K. Lambrix – ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital, Monroe, MI; Dowler – Home, Newport, MI

7. *It was moved by Ms. Thayer and supported by Mr. Mason that the Board ratify the Monroe County Community College Maintenance Contract.*

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Yes (5) Mary Kay Thayer, Aaron N. Mason; Florence M. Buchanan;
Krista K. Lambrix; Lynette Dowler
No (0) None

Trustee Steve Hill returned late to the open session of the meeting due to technical issues and acknowledged his support of the contract.

The motion carried.

8. Chair Dowler led a discussion on the meeting format for the September, October and November regular meetings of the Board of Trustees. The Board agreed by unanimous consent to continue with virtual meetings until the end of the year. Penny Dorcey, Executive Assistant to the President/Secretary to the Board of Trustees, commented that she believed the Governor's executive order waiving the Michigan Open Meetings Act and allowing public Boards to meet virtually may have expired. P. Dorcey will research the Open Meetings Act and the governor's executive orders and report back to Chair Dowler as soon as possible.
9. *It was moved by Mr. Mason and supported by Mr. Hill that the meeting be adjourned.*

The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:31 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynette M. Dowler
Chair

Aaron N. Mason
Secretary

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These minutes were approved at September 27, 2021 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.