

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AGENDA January 12, 2011 – 11:00 A.M. Conference Room 400Z

Chairperson – President Dale K. Nesbary

As Judge Gregory Pittman was delayed in his arrival, the meeting was called to order at 11:18 a.m.

Purpose of Meeting: To elect officers of the Board as per Laws, Statutes and Constitutional

Provisions affecting Community Colleges in Michigan, Section 389.111 as amended by Public Act 135 of 1997 – Community College Act Amendments.

President Nesbary welcomed the group and introduced Judge Pittman for the swearing in of the three new trustees. Judge Pittman greeted the group and thanked MCC for inviting him to conduct the ceremony. Trustee Mullally, Trustee Osborn and Trustee Wright all stood, raising their right hands and were sworn in as Trustees of Muskegon Community College.

- 1. Oath of Office Newly Elected Trustees –
- 2. Nomination and Election of Chairperson, Board of Trustees –

President Nesbary requested nominations for the position of Chair of the Board of Trustees of Muskegon Community College. Trustee Lester nominated Trustee Don Crandall; second. Trustee Oakes nominated Trustee Larry Wright; second.

Discussion ensued. Trustee Lester stated that she nominated Trustee Crandall, as he can lead the trustee Board into the next couple of years and would be a real asset as Chair of the Board.

Trustee Oakes stated that she nominated Larry Wright for several reasons. He has served a full six year term on the Board and historically, the Vice Chair becomes the Chair. Because of winning his election that shows that the community supports him. Historically, a precedent has been set that the Vice Chair usually becomes the Chair. He has served in his capacity for six years and is now beginning his second term. I believe it is his time, he can lead the Board.

Trustee Lester added that because someone is Vice Chair, it is not automatic. There is no policy.

Trustee Osborn, who seconded the nomination, indicated that based on the activity we were involved in recently with the retreat, discussing priorities and very large initiatives going

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forward, having observed the Board, she believes Trustee Crandall has strategic planning and other services that would serve MCC well. We were all elected to the Board and could be in a leadership role at some time. Trustee Crandall does have to run again in two years and may not have that opportunity and that is why she seconded the nomination.

Trustee Mullally stated that he doesn't see a bad choice here. He seconded the motion for Trustee Wright based on his years of experience on the Board and position as Vice Chair.

A vote was taken for Trustee Crandall as Chair of the Board of Trustees:

Trustee Oakes – No Trustee Crandall – Yes

Trustee Lester – Yes Trustee Wright – No

Trustee Frye – No Trustee Osborn – Yes

Trustee Mullally - No

A vote was taken for Trustee Wright as Chair of the Board of Trustees:

Trustee Oakes – Yes Trustee Crandall – Yes

Trustee Lester – Yes Trustee Wright – Yes

Trustee Frye – Yes Trustee Osborn – Yes

Trustee Mullally - Yes

Trustee Wright was elected and welcomed as Chair of the Board.

3. Nomination and Election of Vice-Chairperson, Board of Trustees -

Trustee Oakes nominated Trustee Crandall; Trustee Crandall respectfully declined based on the above discussion.

Trustee Crandall nominated Trustee Lester; Trustee Lester respectfully declined.

Trustee Frye nominated Trustee Oakes; second.

With no further nominations, nominations were closed.

Trustee Crandall moved acceptance of Trustee Oakes as Vice-Chair of the Board of Trustees; second.

Trustee Oakes was elected and welcomed as Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees.

4. Nomination and Election of Treasurer, Board of Trustees –

Trustee Crandall nominated Trustee Lester; second.

With no further nominations, nominations were closed.

Trustee Osborn made a motion to accept the nomination of Trustee Lester; second.

Trustee Lester was elected and welcomed as Treasurer of the Board of Trustees.

5. Nomination and Election of Secretary, Board of Trustees –

Trustee Lester nominated Trustee Frye; second.

With no further nominations, Trustee Osborn made a motion to accept Trustee Frye as Secretary; second.

Trustee Frye was elected and welcomed as Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

6. Adopt Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule for 2011 -

Trustee Crandall cannot make the new BOT meeting date in March and Chair Wright has a conflict with both meetings in February. Chair Wright suggested adopting the original schedule. Discussion ensued.

Trustee Lester commented that the Board schedule revolves around the Board as a whole and there will be some meetings that Trustees may miss, but we need to do what's best for the Board as a whole.

Trustee Osborn made a motion to approve the revised schedule; second.

Trustee Crandall commented that we have set dates that most Trustees put in their calendar a year in advance. There is a regular meeting day each month, which is changed to accommodate the MCCA and ACCT meetings, and all other changes to the schedule are personal conflicts. To change the meeting to address one person's conflict creates a conflict for another person. He suggested sticking with the regular schedule that has been in place for the last several years unless additional conflicts are present. With that said, Trustee Lester amended the motion, changing it back to the original dates of March 14 and March 16; second.

A vote was taken on the above amendment; vote unanimous, the amendment was passed.

A vote was taken on the amended motion; vote unanimous. The amended motion was passed returning to the original schedule.

With no further business, this portion of the meeting was adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Trustee Frye.

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