

MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
MAY 22, 2013

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Academic and Student Affairs Board Members Present: Chair Trustees Hightower, David Paskach and Tom Renier  
Leadership Council Representatives Present: Chancellor Steven Rosenstock  
Chancellor's Office: Greg Grogan, David Paskach, Eric Peterson, and Student Affairs Committee

7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Board Room, 30 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street in St. Paul. Academic and Student Affairs Committee Chair Beardsley called the session to order at 10:08 am.

Chair Beardsley gave the opening by recognizing Vice Chancellor Douglas Knowlton, Student Academic Success at Metropolitan State University.

1. Minutes of April 17, 2013

The minutes from the April 17, 2013 Academic and Student Affairs Committee were approved as written.

2. Proposed Amendment to Board Policy 3.18 Honorary Degrees (Second Reading)

On occasion, colleges and universities wish to recognize the contributions of an individual by awarding an honorary degree. Since 2009, nine honorary degrees have been awarded in the system.

In the proposed amendment, some of the language in the policy was moved to procedure and other language was updated. A degree in Engineering and Technology was added to the list of awards in procedure.

The chancellor will report honorary degrees to the Board annually. The proposed amendment streamlines the reporting process. The system will maintain a list of recipients of honorary degrees on the system websites; institutions as well.

A motion was made by Trustee Erlandson and seconded by Trustee Dickson that the Academic and Student Affairs Committee recommend that the Board of Trustees approve Board Policy 3.18 Honorary Degrees. Motion carried.

