

MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 17, 2013

Present: Chair Clarence Hightower, Trustees Ann Anaya, Brett Anderson, Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Duane Benson, Alexander Cirillo, Cheryl Dickson, Dawn Erlandson, Philip Krinkie, David Paskach, Maria Peluso, Louise Sundin, Michael Vekich and Chancellor Steven Rosenstone

Absent: Trustees Alfredo Oliveira and Thomas Renier

1. Call to Order

Chair Clarence Hightower called the meeting to order at 2:20 PM and announced that a quorum was present.

Chair Hightower reported that the Board of Trustees Awards in Teaching were announced during a luncheon earlier in the day. There were 32 Outstanding Educators in fields such as accounting, art, business, communications, dental assisting, English, fire protection, history, information technology, math, nursing and psychology. Four faculty members received the Educator of the Year Award. They are:

- Andrew Aspaas, chemistry instructor, Anoka-Ramsey Community College in Cambridge and Coon Rapids;
- Alan Erdahl, biology instructor, Riverland Community College in Albert Lea;
- Darci Goeden, nursing instructor, Central Lakes College in Brainerd; and
- Susan Thaemert, dental assistant instructor, Hennepin Technical College.

2. Chair's Report

(1) Minutes of Board of Trustees Study Session, Fiduciary Training on Retirement Programs, March 20, 2013

The minutes of the Board of Trustees Study Session on Fiduciary Training on Retirement Programs on March 20, 2013, were approved as written.

(2) Minutes of Board of Trustees Study Session, Update on Implementation of Strategic Framework: Driving Outcomes and Metrics, March 20, 2013

The minutes of the Board of Trustees Study Session, Update on Implementation of Strategic Framework: Driving Outcomes and Metrics on March 20, 2013, were distributed and will be held over for approval at the May 22, 2013, meeting.

(3) Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting, March 20, 2013

The minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting on March 20, 2013, were approved as written.

3. Chancellor's Report: Steven Rosenstone

Chancellor Steven Rosenstone provided an update on the legislative session. He reported that there is strong support for higher education in both the Minnesota House and Senate Committee bills, and in the governor's recommendation. The budget targets for higher education are \$263 million dollars in new spending in the governor's budget, \$263 million

dollars in the Senate and \$150

With respect to the capital request, there is legislative consideration of an off-year bonding bill. The governor's

serve as interim president. He also assured them that there were no plans to merge or align the college. The current focus is the appointment of an interim president and a search for a permanent president.

President Wynes will assume these responsibilities in addition to his current responsibilities as president of Inver Hills Community College. President Wynes has tremendous experience and character; he knows Dakota County Technical College well and has great knowledge of its commitment to Dakota and Scott Counties. He can immediately step in and provide the required leadership.

Committee Vice Chair Paskach reported that the Human Resources Committee has recommended that the Board approve the following motion:

The Board of Trustees, upon the recommendation of Chancellor Rosenstone, appoints Tim Wynes as interim president of Dakota County Technical College effective July 1, 2013, subject to the completion of an employment agreement. The board authorizes the chancellor, in consultation with the chair of the board and chair of the Human Resources Committee to negotiate and execute an employment agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions of the MnSCU Personnel Plan for Administrators.

Chair Hightower called the question and the motion carried unanimously.

Chair Hightower announced that President Wynes could not be present for today's meeting, but he will be at Dakota County Technical College later today for a formal introduction.

(2) Appointment of Interim Vice Chancellor of Academic and Student Affairs

Committee Vice Chair Paskach reported that shortly after Vice Chancellor Douglas Knowlton announced his intention to leave the system office at the end of the academic year, an internal search was begun for an interim vice chancellor. Chancellor Rosenstone recommended John O'Brien as the interim vice chancellor of academic and student affairs.

Committee Vice Chair Paskach explained that Dr. O'Brien did not initially apply. The chancellor, convinced that he was the right person, persuaded him to reconsider with the understanding that he would be able to return to North Hennepin Community College, where he currently serves as president. A strong interim person will be identified to serve in his absence. Dr. O'Brien's initial reluctance is now full-fledged excitement and engagement for the opportunity.

Committee Vice Chair Paskach read the following motion:

The Board of Trustees, upon the recommendation of Chancellor Rosenstone, appoints John O'Brien as interim vice chancellor of academic and student affairs effective June 1, 2013, subject to the completion of an employment agreement. The board authorizes the chancellor, in consultation with the chair of the board and chair of the Human Resources Committee to negotiate and execute an employment agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions of the MnSCU Personnel Plan for Administrators.

Chair Hightower called the question and the motion carried unanimously.

develop a Health IT (HIT) Professional training program for current and future healthcare and information technology professionals who will integrate electronic health record (EHR) information systems at hospitals, clinics, and related facilities and agencies throughout the nation. Doctors and nurses were among the 166 students who participated in the six-month program. Twenty employers partner with the training program.

8. Joint Council of Student Associations

Before calling on the leaders of the student associations, Chair Hightower thanked Moriah Miles, state chair, Minnesota State University Student Association, and Steve Sabin, president, Minnesota State College Student Association, for their article in support of the system's legislative request that was published in the *Star Tribune* on April 1, 2013.

- a. Minnesota State University Student Association (MSUSA)
Moriah Miles, state chair, addressed the Board of Trustees.
- b. Minnesota State College Student Association (MSCSA)
Steve Sabin, president, addressed the Board of Trustees.

9. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' Bargaining Units

- a. Inter Faculty Organization
Dr. Nancy Black, president, addressed the Board of Trustees.
- b. Administrative and Service Faculty
There were no comments from the Administrative and Service Faculty.
- c. Minnesota State College Faculty
Greg Mulcahy, president, addressed the Board of Trustees.

Chancellor Rosenstone commented that there will be a new president of the Minnesota State College Faculty. He thanked President Mulcahy for his leadership and wished him well on his sabbatical.

- d. Minnesota Association of Professional Employees
There were no comments from the Minnesota Association of Professional Employees.
- e. American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees
There were no comments from the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

10. Adjournment

Chair Hightower announced that the Executive Committee will meet on May 2, 2013, at 8:00 am. The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be on May 21 and 22, 2013.

Chair Hightower adjourned the meeting at 3:30 pm.

Ingeborg K. Chapin
Secretary to the Board