

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
Board of Trustees Minutes
April 23, 2014

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

Absent: None

1. Call to Order

Chair Clarence Hightower called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM and announced that a quorum was present. Chair Hightower announced that the board meeting would recess at approximately 11:20 AM in order for the trustees to attend the Awards for Excellence in Teaching luncheon. Chair Hightower added that the Chancellor's Report and the Human Resources Committee would be heard before recessing the meeting

2. Chancellor's Report: Steven Rosenstone

Chancellor Steven Rosenstone remarked that he looked forward to attending the Awards for Excellence in Teaching luncheon. The awards are a way to recognize the remarkable faculty who provide an extraordinary education to students across the state.

Charting the Future Update

Chancellor Rosenstone stated that the implementation of Charting the Future is a defining moment. The state of Minnesota needs our colleges and universities more than ever and we need to undertake some significant changes to make good on the commitments to the people of Minnesota

The recommendations in Charting the Future provide the roadmap for how to break down silos and work together in new ways to better deliver on our core commitments.

- x Improve student success
- x Increase access and affordability
- x Strengthen all of our colleges and universities by enjoying the benefits of being part of a bigger team and protecting the unique character and autonomy of our campuses

Subject matter specialists from our colleges and universities will be on each team to ensure informed discussion of the issues and develop implementation strategies for change, whether it is student success, diversity, system incentives and rewards, or any of the other issues on which teams are focused.

The work of the eight implementation teams is being supported by the campus organizational capability team which will help facilitate the work of each team. The steering committee will begin meeting in June to further ensure a high level of coordination across the various teams to provide guidance and remove barriers to success.

The first four implementation teams will use the summer to ramp up their work. At the start of the fall semester, teams will reach out to campuses to engage them in the process and they will regularly interact with each other to ensure an integrated approach.

Chancellor Rosenstone thanked the bargaining units who have appointed individuals to each team and for identifying those who will bring the best subject area expertise to this important work. Chancellor Rosenstone specifically thanked the following representatives of the bargaining groups.

Nancy Black, Inter Faculty Organization (IFO);

Kevin Lindstrom, Minnesota State College Faculty (MSCF)

Adam Klepetar, Minnesota State University Association of Administrative and Service Faculty (MSUAASF)

Mike Bona, Middle Management Association (MMA)

Chet Jorgenson, Minnesota Association of Professional Employees (MAPE) and

June Clark, American Federation of State/County Municipal Employees (AFSCME)

Chancellor Rosenstone also thanked President Kelly Charpentier and President-elect Kayley Schoonmaker, Minnesota State College Student Association (MSCSA) for the productive conversation they had with Vice Chancellor O'Brien. Chancellor Rosenstone noted that there were thoughtful suggestions for ensuring that students are able to fully participate on the teams. Their concerns have led us to make changes that respond to the unique circumstances our students face, jobs, studying, and families. Chancellor Rosenstone thanked ASUSA Chair Griffin and her team for continuing the dialogue about university student participation on the teams.

Last month, Chancellor Rosenstone reported that MnSCU had been selected by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to join its State Postsecondary Education Systems Partnership. Vice Chancellors John O'Brien and Laura King, along with Jaime Simonsen, the Charting the Future project leader, will travel to Washington, DC, in early May to meet with the Gates Foundation and begin this important work. There will be a good deal more to report to the board in June for a Charting the Future session.

Minnesota State University, Mankato Update

Chancellor Rosenstone reported the reinstatement of Todd Hoffner as head football coach at Minnesota State University, Mankato.

3. Board Standing Committee Reports
 - a. Human Resources Committee
Thomas Renier, Chair
 - (1) Appointment of President of Minnesota State University Moorhead
Trustee Thomas Renier moved that the Board of Trustees, upon the recommendation of Chancel

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5. Chair's Report: Clarence Hightower
 - a. Minutes of Board of Trustees Study Session, Fiduciary Training on Retirement Programs, March 19, 2014
 - b. Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting, March 19, 2014The minutes listed above were approved as written.

6. Consent Agenda
 - a. Authorization to Negotiate Foundation Housing Agreement at Central Lakes

9. Trustees Reports

Trustee Margaret Anderson Kelliher highlighted the work that Winona State students have been doing over the past five years to preserve and share stories on the Navajo culture. The Navajo Oral History project is a collaboration between the Winona State University Department of Mass Communication and the Diné College (Navajo Nation) Department of Social and Behavioral Science.

Dr. Tom Grier, Winona State University professor of Mass Communication, spent four years building a relationship and gaining approval from tribal college and Navajo Nation leaders to provide an opportunity for journalism students to learn by leading documentary journalism projects focused on Navajo elders. The project ran for five years, 2009, and has just been renewed for an additional three to five years. Each summer over the past five years, students from Winona State and Diné College traveled to the Navajo Nation for three weeks where they provided service projects for Navajo elders and conducted interviews. The main goals were to immerse students in a different culture, foster partnerships between students, develop their journalism skills and abilities, and inform and educate the public through quality journalism.

Trustee Anderson Kelliher welcomed Dr. Grier and students Robbie Christiano, a senior Counselor Education graduate student from Money Creek, Minnesota; Tom Hays, a senior in Mass Communication Broadcasting from Chaska, Minnesota; Adam Maciejowski, a senior in Mass Communication Advertising from Lake City, Minnesota; and Elise Nelson, a senior from Winona, who is graduating this spring with a double major in Mass Communication Journalism and English. Trustee Anderson Kelliher thanked Dr. Grier and the students for their outstanding work in sharing and preserving the Navajo culture through journalistic excellence.

Trustee Dawn Erlandson reported that she and Trustees Alfredo Oliveira and Louise Sundin attended the Nellie Stone Johnson Scholarship event. Trustee Sundin reported that she attended the Skills USA event.

Trustee Oliveira reported that he participated in the introduction of Barbara McDonald, interim president of Minnesota West Community and Technical College. Trustee Alex Cirillo reported that he participated in the inauguration of Connie Gores, president of Southwest Minnesota State University. Trustee Cheryl Dickson reported that she participated in the introduction of Dorothy Duran, president of Minnesota State - Southeast Technical College.

Vice Chair Renier reported that he participated in the MN TRD

11. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' Bargaining Units
 - a. Administrative and Service Faculty
Adam Klepetar, president, addressed the Board of Trustees.
 - b. American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees
June Clark, president, AFSCME MnSCU Policy Committee, addressed the Board of Trustees.
12. Other Business
There was no other business.
13. Adjournment
Vice Chair Renier announced that the next meetings are the Executive Committee meeting on May 7, 2014 and the Board of Trustees meetings on May 20 and 21, 2014. Vice Chair Renier adjourned the meeting at 1:00 PM.

Ingeborg K. Chapin, Secretary to the Board