



Muskegon Community College

BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, April 27, 2022, at 3:30 p.m.

Room 1300 – Stevenson Center – Main Campus

Selection of MCC's Next President

Present: Chair Osborn, Vice Chair Mullally, Trustee Frye, Trustee Moore, Trustee Cook, Trustee Crandall and Trustee Portenga.

Chair Osborn called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

1. Kristine Anderson gave a quick overview of the presidential search process. All those who worked on the process were thanked.
2. Appointment of New President – The Trustees received and reviewed data and evaluations from presidential interviews.
3. Trustee comments:
 - Appreciated the process and input from faculty, staff, and the community. We had three good candidates, all with their own set of strengths and very few weaknesses, and I feel really good with where I am right now.
 - Hats off to everyone involved – the people were incredible, and the filtering process was amazing. I reached out to Cabinet members, who were really responsive and spent a lot of time educating me, and I'm appreciative of the time they took to talk to me. If I had not taken the time, there are so many things I would not have known. This had everything to do with how I am casting my vote today.
 - The forums were very helpful. I recognized after listening to some of them how the staff felt, the importance to them came through and that is important.
 - This is the first Presidential search I have been through, and I was very impressed by the process. It was a lot of moving pieces and it felt organized and effective. I was very impressed by that.

Trustee Portenga moved that Dr. John Selmon be our next president; second. Discussion ensued.

Trustee Portenga stated the reason for the motion. When he attended MCC, he thought the frontline reps and advertisers were the teachers, the instructors, support staff, etc., they sell this school. He's never seen the staff and instructors so supportive of a person, as they were of John. We have seen what he can do for MCC, how he handles people, etc. For the morale of MCC, and the support given to the frontline Dr. Selmon is the right person.

Trustee Crandall – there were a lot of people involved in the process. What struck him was the consistency – the large search committee and their evaluation of candidates. He enjoyed the faculty, staff, and community meeting. It was a very strong and consistent evaluation of the process – consistent patterns, many conversations with community, and a great deal of support externally as well for Dr. Selmon.

Trustee Frye liked the diversity of candidates. The three finalists were well chosen. For John to rise to the top says a lot about him, who he is, and what he has accomplished. We are all happy to be a part of that choice. We are proud of Dr. Nesbary and what he accomplished here – we learned from him and him from us.

Vote unanimous; motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Nancy Frye

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