

**MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BOARD STUDY SESSION
MEETING MINUTES
June 16, 2010**

Board Committee Members Present: David Olson, Chair; Duane Benson; Cheryl Dickson; Jacob Englund; Christopher Frederick; Ruth Grendahl; Clarence Hightower; Dan McElroy; David Paskach; Thomas Renier; Christine Rice; Louise Sundin; Scott Thiss; James Van Houten

Board Committee Member Absent: Terri Thomas

Office of the Chancellor: James H. McCormick, Chancellor; Lori Lamb, Vice Chancellor for Human Resources

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Board of Trustees held a study session to discuss the chancellor search on Wednesday, June 16, 2010, at Wells Fargo Place, 4th Floor, Board Room, 30 Seventh Street East, in St. Paul. Chair Olson called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

CHANCELLOR SEARCH

Chair Olson introduced Mr. Kent Eklund, Chairman of Cincinnatus, who led and facilitated a brainstorming exercise on attributes for the next chancellor of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system. Mr. Eklund stated that the outcome of this session was to design the “ideal” candidate who would have the ability to position the system well for addressing the critical issues of higher education going into the next decade. He began by listing three important characteristics of the position—leadership, management and background. All trustees participated in the discussion by naming attributes, which were then categorized into one of the three characteristics with the assistance of Mr. Eklund. He further stated that this exercise would be helpful for the search firm that gets selected to conduct the search.

Following the exercise, Vice Chancellor Lamb stated that she will work with Mr. Eklund in creating a survey for trustees to rank order of importance with regard to the listed attributes and indicate which qualifications should be required or preferred.

Meeting adjourned at Noon.

Submitted by,
Vicki Schoenbeck, Recorder