

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES**

BOARD ACTION

APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM PRESIDENT OF
MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE

1 BACKGROUND

2 Following the announcement of President Richard Shrubbs retirement, Chancellor Rosenstone
3 requested nominations and expressions of interest in the interim president position.

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5 Nominations and expressions of interest were sought from throughout the system. Applications
6 and nominations have been reviewed by the chancellor, and he has reviewed all input received
7 and consulted as appropriate to develop his recommendation to the board. At this time
8 Chancellor Rosenstone recommends Barbara McDonald as interim president at Minnesota West
9 Community and Technical College.

10 RECOMMENDED COMMITTEE ACTION

11 The Human Resources Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees adopt the following
12 motion.

13 RECOMMENDED MOTION

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15 The Board of Trustees, upon the recommendation of Chancellor Rosenstone, appoints Barbara
16 McDonald as interim president of Minnesota West Community and Technical College effective
17 July 1, 2014, subject to the completion of an employment agreement. The board authorizes the
18 chancellor, in consultation with the chair of the board and chair of the Human Resources
19 Committee, to negotiate and execute an employment agreement in accordance with the terms and
20 conditions of the MnSCU Personnel Plan for Administrators.

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23 *Date of Approval: March 19, 2014*

24 *Date of Implementation: July 1, 2014*

DR. BARBARA JEAN McDONALD

OBJECTIVE

To serve the Minnesota State Colleges and University System in a senior executive management position where my leadership attributes, skills, and training can advance the mission of public higher education.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Minnesota Partnership for Executive Leadership Development Program	2012
Higher Education Resource Institute (HERS), Bryn Mawr University	2011
Blandin Community Leadership Program	2009
Leaders Partnering to End Poverty, Blandin Leadership Program	2007
Leadership Academy, University of Minnesota	1998 - 2002

EDUCATION

Doctor of Education (Ed.D) University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, USA	2002
Masters of Arts, Teaching English as a Foreign Language, American University in Cairo, Cairo, Egypt	1983
Bachelors of Arts, English University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, USA	1980

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Provost

- Itasca Community College (ICC)
Grand Rapids, MN 55744 June 2013 - Present

Dean of Academic Affairs and Student Services

1/2009 – May 2013

- Itasca Community College

Dean of Academic Affairs

6/2000 – 1/2009

- Itasca Community College

Director of Institutional Effectiveness

1/2000 – 6/2000

- Itasca Community College

English Faculty and Assessment Coordinator Center for Teaching and Learning Leader (CTL) Service Learning Coordinator Co-chair of Master Academic Planning

8/1997 – 12/1999

- Rainy River Community College (RRCC)
International Falls, MN 56649

Adjunct Faculty, Master of Education Cohort Program

1/1999 – 6/1999

- University of Minnesota, Duluth, MN, Extension Program

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (cont.)

ESL Program Director and ESL Instructor	2/1995 – 6/1997
• Western Academy of Beijing (WAB), Beijing, China	
ESL Consultant	1989 – 1994
• Manila, Philippines and Johannesburg, South Africa	
ESL Faculty	1987 – 1988
• Yongse University, Seoul, South Korea	
• Central Texas College, U.S. Military Base, Seoul, South Korea	
ESL Coordinator, Faculty, and Curriculum Writer	1981 – 1986
• American University in Cairo (AUC), Cairo, Egypt	

CAMPUS LEADERSHIP

• ICC Strategic Plan Coordinator/Chair	2003 – Present
• ICC Academic Affairs and Standards Council	2000 – Present
• Chair, Global Education Committee	2000 – Present
• Chair, ICC Quality Team	2000 – 2004
• Chair, Higher Learning Commission Reaccreditation	2001 – 2009
• Chair, First Year Policy Center, Foundations of Excellence	2007 – 2008
• Chair, NCA Steering Committee and NCA Focus Visit Coordinator	2002 – 2004

REGIONAL / STATE LEADERSHIP

- Chair, Academic Affairs Council MNSCU: March 2012 - Present
- Steering Committee Member, Northeast Higher Education District Strategic Plan
- Northeast Higher Education District Lead Administrator, Department of Labor Grant: Renewable Energy: 2009 - 2011
- Northeast Higher Education District Representative, Minnesota Center of Excellence for Manufacturing and Engineering (MnCEME) Deans Council: 2010 - Present
- Chair, Northeast Higher Education District and NE Council of Chief Academic Officers: 2005-2010; Past Chair: 2010 – Present
- Education Innovation Partnership (EIP) K-12 NE Regional; Leadership Council Member
- Regional Leadership Committee Member, Applied Learning Institute (K-12 partnerships)
- Regional MnSCU Representative, Center for Teaching and Learning
- Regional Higher Education Representative, State Health Improvement Program
- Regional Administrator, National Center of Excellence, Pulp and Paper Technology and Training Consortium (NPT2)

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

- Itasca Economic Development Corporation: Board Member 2013 - Present
- Get Fit Itasca Leadership Council Member: 2007 – Present
- Blandin Paper Company Advisory Committee Member: 2011 – Present
- Grand Itasca Clinic and Hospital Board Member 2004 – 2012; Chair 2007-2009
- Board Member Itasca Cable Television Board Member: 2002 – 2008, Chair: 2005-2008
- Board Member Reif Performing Arts Center: 2009 – Present; Executive Committee at large
- Itasca County Jobs 2020 Planning Committee Member
- Parish Council St. Joseph's Catholic Church: 2007 – 2010

**DR. BARBARA JEAN McDONALD
PUBLICATIONS**

<u>Improving Student Learning by Closing the Feedback Loop: Action Research Within the English Discipline</u> , Published in NCA Collection of Papers, NCA March 2002 Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois	2002
<u>Meeting the Graduate Education Needs of Minnesota Extension Educators</u> , Journal of Extension, Vol.40, No. 4, August 2002. (http://www.ioe.org/joe/2002august/rb4.shtml)	2002
<u>Strategic Planning at Itasca Community College: Process and Accountability: Charting the Course at ICC</u> , Published in NCA Collection of Papers, NCA March 2001 Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois	2001
<u>Bridging the Gaps: Faculty Perceptions of the Impact and Assessment of Student Learning in Rural Community Colleges</u> , Unpublished Dissertation, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN 2001	2001

GRANTS AWARDED

Selection of Grants authored and co-authored:

Blandin Quick Start Grant for Shared Text Project	2012/2013
USDA New Era Grant for Renewable Energy	2011
P.I. NEH Digital Start Up Grant, in partnership with University of Pennsylvania	2010
Blandin Foundation Grant: The Foundations of Native Student Attainment Initiative	2009
MN FastTRAC: START Program Grant for Underemployed Non Traditional Students	2009
Blandin Foundation: Applied Learning and College Attainment	2008
NEH Grant in Collaboration with White Earth Tribal College	2008
American Indian Studies Endowed Chair Grant, Blandin Foundation	2006
P.I. for Department of Health and Human Services: Nurse Education, Practice, and Retention Grant: CLEAN (Career Laddering for Education and Advancement of Nursing)	2003
Perkins III Grant for E-Learning Technician Grant	2003
Center for Teaching and Learning Grant, MnSCU: Fostering Learning that Lasts Through Community Projects In Psychology	2003
Perkins III Grant for Paraprofessional Education	2002
Bremer Class Act Grant for Math Science Teacher Preparation	2002
Center for Teaching and Learning Grant, MnSCU: Building a Trail of Knowledge: Active Learning Through Civic Engagement	2002
Grotto Foundation Grant for Preservation of Ojibwe Language and Culture	2001
Investing in Excellence: Strengthening ICC Through A College-wide Assessment Program: Blandin Foundation Grant	2000

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AWARDS

American Association of University Women Minnesota, Women as Agents of Change 2007

Outstanding Academic and Student Affairs Administrator,
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities 2003

MEMBERSHIP / AFFILIATIONS

- MacRostie Art Center, Grand Rapids, MN
- KAXE Northern Community Radio, Grand Rapids, MN
- National Public Radio & Minnesota Public Radio, MN
- Itasca Community Television, Grand Rapids, MN
- Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids, MN
- International Falls Public Library, International Falls, MN
- University of Colorado Alumni Association, Boulder, CO
- American University of Cairo Alumni Association, Cairo, Egypt
- National Association of Mental Health (NAMI), Grand Rapids Chapter, MN
- American Association of University Women, Grand Rapids Chapter, MN