



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2014
9:00 AM**

**MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
30 7TH STREET EAST
FOURTH FLOOR, WORLD TRADE ROOM
SAINT PAUL, MN**

In addition to committee members attending in person, additional committee or board members may participate by telephone. Members of the public may attend in person.

Executive Committee Agenda

Clarence Hightower, Chair

- (1) Minutes of Meeting of October 2, 2013**
- (2) Charting the Future Implementation Update
- (3) Review Draft Agendas for Upcoming Board Meetings
- (4) Upcoming Events
- (5) Adjourn

Executive Committee

Clarence Hightower, Chair
Thomas Renier, Vice Chair
Michael Vekich, Treasurer
Ann Anaya
Margaret Anderson Kelliher
Alexander Cirillo
Cheryl Dickson

BOLD denotes action item

**MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
October 2, 2013**

Executive Committee Members Present: Clarence Hightower, chair, Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Cheryl Dickson, and Thomas Renier

Members Absent: Ann Anaya, Alexander Cirillo and Michael Vekich

Other Members Present: None

Also Present: Chancellor Steven Rosenstone

Chair Clarence Hightower convened the Executive Committee at 10:30 a.m., at 30 7th St. E., Room 3310, St. Paul. A quorum was present.

(1) Minutes of June 3, 2013

The Executive Committee meeting minutes of June 3, 2013, were approved as written.

(2) Retreat Follow-up

Chair Hightower began a discussion on the Board of Trustees retreat by asking members for their comments. Trustee Renier commented that he thought Terrence MacTaggart's facilitation was excellent. His knowledge of the system enhanced the discussions which covered a lot of territory. Trustee Renier added that he would have liked more time on the draft recommendations in Charting the Future.

Trustee Anderson Kelliher commented that the agenda had a good mix of taking stock of the year that was and analyzing where we need to go and what steps need to be taken to get there. She added that Dr. MacTaggart's knowledge of higher education and public college and university systems provided the context for the discussions. Trustee Dickson concurred with the others about Dr. MacTaggart, noting that it was important to have someone from inside the academe. She added that it was helpful to hear the perspectives of the presidents and senior staff.

Chair Hightower remarked that the agenda was orchestrated around three objectives. First, he wanted the trustees to discuss the Protocol for Working Together as a way to review last year and take stock of appropriate behavior going forward. The second objective was to discuss the draft Charting the Future report and recommendations. The board had a good discussion that included input from presidents and cabinet members. The last objective was to provide members with an overview of the work in the coming year. He added that he thought it was helpful for members to see all of the agenda items in one document.

Chancellor Rosenstone commented that the conversation on the board and administration working together was very helpful. The trustees' discussions on the draft Charting the Future report and recommendations will result in a stronger final report. The draft of the agenda items is a useful planning tool.

Chair Hightower requested that the Protocol for Working Together be included in each board packet.

(3) Review Draft Agendas for Upcoming Meetings

Chair Hightower commented that he requested staff for a summary of draft agenda items for upcoming meetings. Board Secretary Chapin reviewed the proposed agenda items for the November and January committee and board meetings. Trustee Dickson suggested scheduling another meeting of the Executive Committee in January.

Chancellor Rosenstone added that he is hosting the Institute of Mexicans (IME) Abroad Fellowship Program Scholarship Awards with Alberto Fierro, the Mexican Consul, after the board meeting on October 23. The Mexican government will award scholarships totaling \$55,000 to the following colleges and universities in Minnesota:

- Century College
- Riverland Community College
- Saint Paul College
- Augsburg College
- Saint Catherine University
- Saint Mary's University
- Centro on behalf of Plaza Comunitaria at Minnesota State University, Mankato

Representatives from the colleges and universities will attend the ceremony.

(4) Adjournment

Chair Hightower adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.