



MINNESOTA STATE

Board of Trustees

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Executive Committee
Wednesday, January 10, 2018
8:00 AM
Minnesota State
Third Floor, Conference Room 3310
30 7th Street East, St. Paul, Minnesota

In addition to board members attending in person, additional board members may participate by telephone.

1. Call to Order
2. **Minutes of November 1, 2017**
3. Chair's Updates
 - Chancellor Search
4. Chancellor's Updates
5. Follow-up: Board Committees Foci for FY2018
6. Update: Minnesota State Marketing Campaigns
7. Joint Meeting: Board of Trustees and Leadership Council, January 23, 2018
8. Board of Trustees Meetings January 23-24, 2018
9. Adjournment

Committee Members:

Michael Vekich, Chair
Dawn Erlandson, Vice Chair
Jay Cowles, Treasurer
Ann Anaya
Alex Cirillo
Roger Moe
Louise Sundin

BOLD denotes action item



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**MINNESOTA STATE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 1, 2017**

Executive Committee Members Present: Chair Michael Vekich, Vice Chair Dawn Erlandson, and Trustees Ann Anaya, Alex Cirillo, Roger Moe, and Louise Sundin

Executive Committee Members Absent: Trustee Jay Cowles

Other Trustees Present: Trustees Basil Ajuo, Bob Hoffman and Rudy Rodriguez

Convene and Call to Order

Chair Vekich called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. Trustees Anaya, Cirillo, Moe, Rodriguez, and Sundin participated by phone.

Chair's Updates

At the request of Chair Vekich, the board's operating budget was audited by the Office of Internal Auditing. There were some duplicate payments, but no significant findings. As a result of the audit, a sign-in sheet for per diem will be distributed at each meeting.

Mark Carlson, vice chancellor for human resources, gave an update on executive searches, including the chancellor, presidents (Rochester Community and Technical College, Minnesota State Community and Technical College, St. Cloud Technical & Community College, Ridgewater College, Fond du Lac Tribal & Community College, St. Cloud State University), vice chancellor for human resources, and executive director for internal audit. The Chancellor Search Committee met for the first time on October 20, 2017. The timeline for the appointment of a new chancellor has not yet been established.

Chair Vekich called on Kevin Lindstrom, president, Minnesota State College Faculty. President Lindstrom distributed a document showing the different tiers of requirements for teacher licensure in Minnesota. There was a discussion about the changes occurring in teacher licensing.

Chancellor's Updates

Interim Chancellor Devinder Malhotra commented that he recently visited all four campuses of Minnesota State Community & Technical College. He had productive conversations with the senior leadership team, faculty, staff, students, and community leaders. He has now visited 52 of the 54 campuses.

The chancellor also announced that he, Senior Vice Chancellor Anderson, and Chief Diversity Officer Clyde Pickett, are meeting with representatives of the Council on Asian Pacific Minnesotans and have meetings scheduled with the other ethnic councils. Various ideas and approaches are being discussed to raise the profile of diverse communities.

A memo will be sent from the chair and the chancellor to the Board of Trustees and the Leadership Council formalizing president liaisons to each of the board's standing committees. Each committee will have two presidents: one from the two-year colleges and one from the universities. The presidents will not have a vote, but they will be able to participate in discussions by providing campus perspectives and, in turn, they can inform their peers in the Leadership Council of the board's thinking.

Interim Chancellor Malhotra reported that work is underway to build capacity at the system level in terms of doing some outside of the box strategic thinking. He distributed a draft concept paper on driving innovation and strategy development and invited trustees to review it and to provide him with any thoughts or feedback. The concept paper originated from the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges Board of Directors' Statement on Innovation in Higher Education. An article from the September/October issue of *Trusteeship* entitled "The Innovation Imperative" also was distributed.

The chancellor explained that last year the campuses were asked to submit their diversity plans. Chief Diversity Officer Pickett is reviewing the plans with the objective to build a strategic vision for diversity for all of Minnesota State.

Vice Chancellor Laura King reported that the Finance and Facilities Committee will consider pursuing a supplemental budget request at the November Board of Trustees meeting. The committee will also review 2020-2024 capital budget guidelines.

There was a discussion about student success, and how to measure it. The chancellor noted that the lack of success metrics are not evenly distributed. The presidents are evaluated on progress in promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion on their campuses. Over the past several years, there has been training on the campuses for better addressing the struggles and needs of minority students.

November Board Meeting at Southwest Minnesota State University

Chair Vekich outlined the schedule for the Board of Trustees meeting on November 14-15, 2017 at Southwest Minnesota State University.

Other Business

Chair Vekich reported that AbdulRahmane Abdul-Aziz, a student at Minnesota State University, Mankato, was appointed to the Board of Trustees by Governor Dayton on October 24, 2017.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 am.