

Meeting Summary
November 18, 2020

(This summary does not constitute the official minutes of the meeting.)

The Minnesota State Guided Learning Pathways Framework

The Board of Trustees endorses the Minnesota State Guided Learning Pathways framework and charges the Chancellor and Leadership Council with implementing the framework at each college and university.

Review Audit Results and Approve Release of Audited Financial Statements and Federal Student Financial Aid Audit

Based on the review and recommendation of the Audit Committee, the Board of Trustees approves the release of the fiscal year 2020 audited financial statements as submitted.

Review and Approve Committee Charter for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee

The Board of Trustees approves the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee charter.

Capital Bonding Update and 2021 Recommendation and Approval

The Board of Trustees approves a capital bonding request of \$188.226 million for higher education asset preservation and replacement (HEAPR) and major capital project funding and authorizes submission to the executive and legislative branches for consideration as part of the 2021 legislative session. As funding is authorized and appropriated by the legislature and approved by the governor, the chancellor or their designee is authorized to execute contracting actions necessary to deliver on individual project scopes and intent.

Contracts Exceeding \$1 Million:

- **Contract Extension for University Heights Student Housing – Bemidji State University**

The Board of Trustees authorizes the chancellor or the chancellor's designee to execute an Amendment to the Property Management Agreement for five (5) additional years for a total term not to exceed ten (10) years with a total amount not to exceed \$4,250,000. The board directs the chancellor or his designee to execute all necessary documents.

- **Lease Amendment: Metropolitan State University and 1380 Energy Park**

The Board of Trustees authorizes the chancellor or the chancellor's designee to modify, amend and extend the lease at 1380 Energy Park Drive, Suite 104, St. Paul, which contains approximately 7,946 sq. ft., for up to six (6) months, through June 30, 2021.

NextGen Phase 2, including Revised Finance Plan

The Board of Trustees approves the updated project plan and finance plan as outlined in this report. The Board will be asked to approve the final vendor selection and to give the Chancellor the authority to execute the contracts with the vendor. As the project enters the implementation phase, the Chancellor will establish a regular project status reporting program with the Board after consultation with the chair of the Board and the chair of the Finance committee.

NextGen Vendor Contract Approval

The Board of Trustees authorizes the chancellor to execute contracts with the proposed vendor on behalf of the system office for a total term not to exceed thirteen (13) years and a total amount not to exceed \$244,629,000. The authority includes renewals and authority if needed to utilize up to \$10,000,000 in contingency funds for project adjustments that might occur over the seven year implementation period. As part of the regular project status reporting program, the Chancellor will inform the Board the status of exercising renewal options and the use of contingency funds for the project. The Board directs the chancellor to execute all necessary documents.

Appointment of Interim President for Northland Community and Technical College

The Board of Trustees, upon the recommendation of Chancellor Malhotra, appoints Dr. Shannon Jesme as Interim President of Northland Community and Technical College, effective January 1, 2021, subject to the completion of an employment agreement. The board authorizes the chancellor, in consultation with the chair of the Board and chair of the Human Resources Committee, to negotiate and execute an employment agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Personnel Plan for Administrators.

Proposed Amendment to Board Policy 3.23 Naming Colleges and Universities

The Board of Trustees adopted the proposed amendment to Board Policy 3.23: Naming Colleges and Universities.

FY2022-2023 Biennial Budget Request

The FY2022-FY2023 legislative request strengthens the state's commitment to inclusive excellence and ensuring our students receive an extraordinary, affordable, and accessible education. The Board of Trustees approves the FY2022-FY2023 biennial budget request in the amount of \$813,034,000 in FY2022 and \$832,034,000 in FY2023 for a total of \$1,645,068,000. The Board of Trustees has been granted the authority in state statute to govern and operate Minnesota State. The board, after full consultation with Minnesota State constituencies, will make final budget decisions, including setting tuition rates, at the conclusion of the legislative session.