

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

**APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDENT OF
ALEXANDRIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE**

BACKGROUND

With the appointment of Dr. Larry Shellito by Governor Pawlenty to become the adjutant general of the Minnesota National Guard effective November 3, 2003, Janet Mahoney was named acting president of Alexandria Technical College by Chancellor McCormick in accordance with Board policy. On December 18, 2003, Ms. Mahoney was approved upon the Chancellor's recommendation to become the interim president until such time a new president would begin work. A nationwide search was conducted with the assistance of an executive search firm. Dr. Joan Volkmuth, president of St. Cloud Technical College, chaired the search committee. Chancellor McCormick, along with members of the Board of Trustees and Cabinet from the Office of the Chancellor, interviewed three finalists. As a result of this process, Chancellor McCormick is recommending Dr. Kevin J. Kopischke for the presidency of Alexandria Technical College.

Dr. Kopischke is currently serving as vice president at Alexandria Technical College where he is responsible for the college's customized and contract training, marketing and management programs, new program development and external relations.

Dr. Kopischke holds a doctorate in education from the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities. He earned a master's degree in educational administration and leadership and a bachelor's degree in marketing education from St. Cloud State University. He also earned a two-year degree from the University of Minnesota-Crookston in hotel and restaurant management.

RECOMMENDED COMMITTEE ACTION:

The Human Resources Policy Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees adopt the following motion: The Board of Trustees, upon the recommendation of Chancellor McCormick, appoints Dr. Kevin J. Kopischke as President of Alexandria Technical College effective June 1, 2004, subject to the completion of an employment contract, which the Board authorizes the Chancellor to negotiate in consultation with the Chair of the Board and Chair of the Human Resources Policy Committee in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Personnel Plan for Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Administrators.

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