Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees
St. Paul, MN
Friday, August 31, 2018

Present: Chair Michael Vekich, Vice Chair Jay Cowles, Treasurer Roger Moe, and Trustees AbdulRahmane Abdul-Aziz, Ashlyn Anderson, Alex Cirillo, Dawn Erlandson, Bob Hoffman, Jerry Janezich, Roger Moe, April Nishimura, Rudy Rodriguez, George Soule, Louise Sundin, Cheryl Tefer, and Chancellor Devinder Malhotra

Absent: Trustees Jerry Janezich and Samson Williams

Call to Order and Roll Call Attendance
Chair Michael Vekich called the special meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 9:00 am. To ascertain a quorum was present, Chair Vekich called for a roll call to take attendance. Trustees Alex Cirillo and Louise Sundin and Chancellor Devinder Malhotra were present. Participating by phone were: Chair Vekich, Vice Chair Jay Cowles, Treasurer Roger Moe, and Trustees AbdulRahmane Abdul-Aziz, Ashlyn Anderson, Dawn Erlandson, Bob Hoffman, April Nishimura, Rudy Rodriguez, George Soule, and Cheryl Tefer.

Chair Vekich explained that because this is a special meeting, only the items listed on the agenda can be discussed.

Consent Agenda
1. Minutes, Board of Trustees Meeting, June 20, 2018
2. Minutes, Joint Leadership Council and Board of Trustees Study Session, July 25, 2018
3. Minutes, Executive Committee Meeting, August 21, 2018

Chair Vekich asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was made by Trustee Alex Cirillo, seconded by Trustee Rudy Rodriguez and carried.

Proposed Amendments to Board Policy 1A.2 Board of Trustees and Draft Committee Charters for the Facilities Committee, Finance Committee, Nominating Committee, and Ad Hoc Committee on Outreach and Advocacy (Second Reading)
Chair Vekich summarized the proposed amendments to Policy 1A.2. The process for the election of officers in Part 4, Officers of the Board, Subpart E was amended to create a Nominating Committee that is charged with preparing a list of candidates for chair and vice chair. During discussion, this section was further amended to vote by secret ballot rather than roll call if there are two or more nominees. In Subpart H the chair of the Finance Committee shall also serve as the treasurer.

In Part 5, Standing Committees, Committees, and Working Groups of the Board, the Finance Committee’s charge in Subpart B. The Facilities Committee was added in Subpart G. Chair Vekich encouraged the chairs of the Facilities and Finance Committees to consider holding
public hearings on the capital and operating budgets. The Nominating Committee was added as Subpart H, and Subpart I was amended to include ad hoc committees.

Trustee Rudy Rodriguez, the chair of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, commented that the committee’s charge as described in Subpart F needs to be updated. Chair Vekich agreed, and asked Trustee Rodriguez to add this to the committee’s work plan.

Chair Vekich reviewed the charges for each of the committees. The Ad Hoc Committee on Outreach and Advocacy is scheduled to sunset in two years, unless the board sees a need to make it a standing committee. Trustees were interested in having greater clarity on how this committee will support marketing efforts.

Chair Vekich called for a roll call vote to suspend the rules to take action on the proposed Amendment to Policy 1A.2 and the committee charters. A motion was made by Vice Chair Jay Cowles, seconded by Trustee Cheryl Tefer. Board Secretary Inge Chapin took the roll call and the motion carried unanimously.

Chair Vekich called for a roll call vote to approve the proposed amendment to Policy 1A.2, as amended during discussion, and the committee charters. A motion was made by Trustee Roger Moe and seconded by Vice Chair Cowles. Board Secretary Chapin took the roll call and the motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:40 am.