MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE MONROE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Board of Trustees Room, Z-203
La-Z-Boy Center
7:00 p.m., December 7, 2015

Present: Joe Bellino, Jim DeVries, Marge Kreps, and Lynette Dowler

Excused: Mary Kay Thayer

Also Present: Michael Brown, Catherine Calder, Tom Didario, Dr. Edward Feldman, Dan Hamman, Joyce Haver, David Heilman, Ronald Herr, Michelle Kotanova (Agora Staff Writer), Terri Kovach, Brian Lay, Bob Leonard, Denice Lewis, Aaron Mason, Molly McCutchan, Josh Myers, Dale Parker, Jim Ross, Jack Schwab, Joe Verkennes, Sue Wetzel, and Penny Dorcey (recording secretary)

1. Chair Bellino called the special meeting to order at 4:59 p.m. The meeting was called to conduct public interviews with candidates for the vacancies on the Board of Trustees created by the resignations of William J. Bacarella on November 20, 2015 and William H. Braunlich on November 23, 2015.

2. There were no delegations present.

3. The Board met with the following candidates: Michael C. Brown, Catherine J. Calder, Ronald Herr, Edward R. Feldman, David N. Heilman, Aaron N. Mason, and Jack C. Schwab. Candidates were asked the following ten questions.

   1. What is your reason for wanting to serve, and do you know of any potential conflict?
   2. Are you familiar with the budgeting process for a public educational institution such as MCCC?
   3. What, in your opinion, is the best way to increase revenues at MCCC?
   4. What, in your opinion, is the best way to reduce expenses at MCCC?
   5. What do you see as the purpose of a community college?
   6. What do you think are the responsibilities of trustees to the president and the responsibilities of the president to the trustees?
   7. What improvements do you think could be made in the College within the next five years?
   8. What major strengths do you think you would bring to the Board of Trustees?
   9. The Board normally has eight or nine regular meetings, two study sessions, and a number of committee meetings annually. Would attendance be an issue for you?
   10. What is your position on South County and the Whitman Campus?

Each candidate was also given the opportunity to ask questions of the Board.

4. At the conclusion of the applicant interviews, Board members expressed appreciation for the excellent slate of candidates that indicated an interest in serving on the Board. Following, they nominated candidates to fill the vacancies.

   *It was moved by Mr. Bellino and supported by Dr. DeVries hat Dr. Edward R. Feldman be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board created by the resignation of William J. Bacarella.*

   A roll call vote was taken as follows:

   **Yay [4]** Joseph N. Bellino, James E. DeVries, Lynette M. Dowler, Marjorie A. Kreps

   **Nay [0]**

5. *It was moved by Dr. DeVries that Jack C. Schwab be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board created by the resignation of William Braunlich.*

   The motion failed for lack of support.

6. *It was moved by Mrs. Kreps and supported by Mrs. Dowler that Aaron N. Mason be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board created by the resignation of William H. Braunlich.*
A roll call vote was taken as follows:


Nay [0]

7. **It was moved by Mrs. Dowler and supported by Dr. DeVries that the meeting be adjourned;** the motion carried and the meeting ended at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph N. Bellino
Chair

James E. DeVries
Secretary

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