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BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

Date: 2/7/22
Time: 6:00 pm
Location: SENMC RM 153

Type of Meeting:
 Regular Work Session
 Special

Board members present: Chairman, Ned Elkins Secretary, Tiffany Frintz
 Member, Mark Cage Member, Bill Murrill Member, Sarah Bowman
 (via Zoom)

• **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance** Time: 6:00 PM

• **Establish Quorum – Roll Call**

• **Approval of minutes from previous meeting - 1/31/22**

Motioned: Secretary Frintz Seconded: Mrs. Bowman Nays: 0

• **Board discussion and summary of Work Session held on Feb 4, 2022**

Discussion about the work session included the process for new hires and the Anthology timeline.

• **General Counsel: Status report on real property and asset transfer**

Attorney Lane indicated there was nothing to update. Things are progressing with the insurance and a meeting is scheduled this week.

• **Dr. Nwanne: SENMC general status report**

ACD Nwanne stated the pace is accelerating now. Communication was sent to employees about the transfer to SENMC as of April 1st. Working on MOU for NMSU Main campus.

• **Dr. Volpi: Choice Partners –**

VP Volpi explained the consortium contract for Choice Partners.

Motioned: Secretary Frintz Seconded: Mrs. Bowman Nays: 0

• **Dr. Volpi: ADP System –**

VP Volpi explained that ADP is the payroll vendor. There will be no contract and payment is based upon a per paycheck price.

Motioned: Mrs. Bowman Seconded: Secretary Frintz Nays: 0

- **Executive Administration staff reports or comments on transition status**

VP Volpi stated we are keeping the benefits we have. Insurance is ongoing.

- **Announcement of number of applicants for Interim/Temporary President and name of applicants.**

Chairman Elkins announced there are 2 applicants, Andrew Nwanne and John Heaton.

- **Motion to go into closed session (pursuant to N.M.S.A. 1978, §10-15-1) - VIA roll call vote, to discuss applicants for Interim/Temp President. (Interviews of candidates may occur in closed session). NO ACTION WILL OCCUR IN CLOSED SESSION.**

All approved.

- **Motion to reconvene open meeting by roll call vote and statement that only those matters relating to applicants for Interim/Temp President were discussed in closed session.**

All approved.

- **Selection of Interim/Temp President**

Chairman Elkins announced that Dr. Andrew Nwanne was chosen as the Interim/Temporary President for SENMC. Board gave comments on the selection and shared appreciation for Mr. Heaton.

Motioned: Secretary Frintz Seconded: Mr. Murrill Nays: 0

- **Public Comments**

Mr. Norbert Rempe offered observations/comments from the last three meetings. (1) Publish minutes a timely manner. (2) Decide whether public input is going to be accepted and stick with the decision. (3) Practice consistency regarding mask wearing and public input. (4) Rename "Work Session" (5) Avoid acronyms such as GO Bond. (6) Explain the purpose of the bond. (7) Branding is premature right now. (8) Where is the policy manual? (9) Learn from positive examples.

- **Announcement of next Regular Meeting**

Date: FEB 21, 2022 Time: 6:00 pm Place: SENMC Rm 153

- **Adjournment**

Chairman Elkins adjourned the meeting at 8:57 pm.

Approved



Tiffany Frintz, Secretary

2/21/22
Date