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The 223rd meeting of the Board of Trustees of Mount Wachusett Community College was held on Wednesday, October 12, 2016 in the new Murphy Conference Room. Members present: Chairperson Sbrega, Trustees, Cella, Clay, Daly, Dos Santos, Farias, Gomez, Howard, Landry and Tomasetti. Present from the College: President Asquino, Vice Presidents, Fama, Labonte, McDonald, Ruksnaitis, Scales, Dean Ialenti, and Executive Assistant Cox. Guests: Senator Stephen Brewer, Carla Zottoli, Karen Kolimaga, Linda Fazio, Margaret Jaillet and two Auditors from O'Connor and Drew.

Chairperson Sbrega called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

1. Chairperson Sbrega welcomed everyone to the new Murphy Room in the Science Center where the Trustees meetings will now take place.
2. The Board of Higher Education has approved the naming of the new Science Center to be the Dr. Daniel M. Asquino Science Center
3. Dates to Reserve on Your Calendar:
 - a. Week of December 5-9 - interview the 5 final candidates for the President's position. Trustees will be invited to meet with them at 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday of that week.
 - b. November 15th - Ribbon Cutting and Naming of the Building at 2:00 p.m.
 - c. February 8, 2017 - Retirement Gala.

PRESIDENT ASQUINO

1. President Asquino congratulated and thanked VP LaBonte and his team for an excellent audit report.
2. President Asquino recognized Jasson Alvarado Gomez as the student delegate to the Board of Higher Education as well as the Mass. State Building Authority.
3. On Thursday, October 27th there is a Statewide Trustees Meeting followed by an MCCTA meeting in Lowell. All Trustees are invited to attend.

4. Due to an increase in enrollment above the expected targets, the FY 2017 budget was balanced.
5. The College is now occupying the new Science Center Building. Additional work on the new building and existing building is still taking place. Planning for the new Student Center, repair of sidewalks and parking lots, as well as new parking lot lights are still in the works.
6. Ex. Vice President McDonald and Chief of Campus Police Kolimaga distributed copies of the Security Report and the Security and Violence Prevention on Campus Report. A discussion, along with many questions and comments took place.
7. President Asquino indicated that the College will be hiring a Retention Specialist to monitor and maintain records and process reports on students leaving the college.
8. President Asquino spoke about the new Pell Grant for Prisoners indicating that a new director will be hired to oversee this program.

Chairperson Sbrega thanked the President for this report, and upon a motion made and seconded, it was

VOTED To approve the President's Report.

AC 28 - Approval - Certificate in Paramedic Technology

VOTED To unanimously approve Certificate in Paramedic Technology for Fall 2017

AD 1196 - Approval for Additional Instructional Sites (Pell for Students who are Incarcerated)

VOTED To unanimously approve Additional Instructional Sites for The Pell Prison Program

AD 1197 - Approval - Sabbatical for Leslie Cullen

VOTED To unanimously approve the Sabbatical for Leslie Cullen For Spring 2017

**AD 1198 - Approval of the Annual Audited Financial Statements by
O'Connor and Drew**

**VOTED To unanimously approve the Annual Audited Financial
Statements**

**Auditors from O'Connor and Drew presented their findings. The
auditors congratulated the College on an excellent report.**

AD 1199 - Approval of the Third Quarter Trust Fund

VOTED To unanimously approve the Third Quarter Trust Fund

AD 1200 - Approval of the Fourth Quarter Trust Fund

VOTED To unanimously approve the Fourth Quarter Trust Fund

AD 1201 - Approval on Update for the Presidential Search

**Trustee Richard Cella, Chairman of the Presidential Search Committee,
spoke about the status of the Search and the timeline which has been
developed to interview candidates.**

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Chairperson Sbrega spoke about the costs involved for all of the
upcoming events - Presidential Search, Ribbon Cutting and Gala. No
college funds will used for these events. All events will be funded via
the MWCC Foundation with donations.**
- 2. Chairperson Sbrega will mail out all pertinent information to the
Trustees regarding naming rights for rooms in the new Science Center
and a scholarship being established in President Asquino's name.**

ADJOURNMENT

**With no further business coming before the Board, and upon a motion made
and seconded, it was**

VOTED To adjourn at 5:00 p.m.

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