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The 222nd meeting of the Board of Trustees of Mount Wachusett Community College was held on Wednesday, August 11, 2016 in the North Cafeteria. Members present: Chairperson Sbrega, Trustees, Cella, Clay, Farias (remotely), Gomez, Howard (remotely), Landry and Tomasetti. Present from the College: President Asquino, Vice Presidents, Belrose, Fama, Labonte, McDonald, Ruksnaitis, Scales, Dean Ialenti, and Executive Assistant Cox. Guests: Senator Stephen Brewer, Jason Zelesky, Rebecca Forest, Ed Adelman and his staff from MSCBA and some members of the Presidential Search Committee.

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

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Sbrega welcomed Jasson Alvarado Gomez as the new Student Trustee member on the Board. Jasson will also serve as a student member on the Board of Higher Education.

PRESIDENT ASQUINO

1. Design of Student Center - Ed Adelman from the MSCBA (Massachusetts Schools and Colleges Building Authority) spoke about overseeing and determining the need for the creation and renovation of the existing building to create a more advanced and modern Student Center. Designs and estimates were presented via Power Point and many questions were raised by members of the Board. (See Attached)
2. President Asquino presented a report on the current budget as well as reasons and solutions which are involved in balancing a budget.
3. Rebecca Forest, Assistant Dean of Records and Institutional Research presented (via handout) enrollment projects as compiled by the UMass Donahue Institute.

4. Diane Ruksnaitis, Vice President of Human Resources and Affirmative Action, spoke about the vacation and sick leave policy for unit and non-unit state employees. Board members received a detailed explanation and breakdown regarding the benefits allowed for vacation and sick time. Changes are being made to the vacation and sick time policy by the Board of Higher Education. A copy of these changes was distributed to the Board Members at an earlier time.

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

VOTED To approve the President's Report.

AD-1192 - Approval of Final Budget and Spending Plan - 2017

VOTED To unanimously approve Final Budget and Spending Plan for 2017

Vice President Robert LaBonte presented an in-depth report on the Final Budget and Spending Plan which is being voted on.

AD-1193 - Approval of the Presidential Profile for the position of President at MWCC and Review of the Timeline for The Search Process

VOTED To unanimously approve the Presidential Profile

Trustee Richard Cella, Chairman of the Presidential Search Committee, spoke about the status of the Search and candidates profile which will be released after a vote by the Board of Trustees.

AD-1194 - Approval of Presidential Evaluation

VOTED To unanimously approve Presidential Evaluation for Dr. Daniel M. Asquino

AD-1195 - Approval to Proceed with Design of Student Center

VOTED To unanimously approve Proceeding with the Design of the Student Center

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

1. Trustee George Thomas Clay presented to the Board, the report which was created by the Board's Presidential Evaluation Committee. A unanimous vote was taken to accept the Presidential Evaluation for Dr. Daniel M. Asquino.

Chairperson Sbrega congratulated President Asquino on another successful year, despite many challenges.

ADJOURNMENT

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

VOTED To adjourn at 4:35 p.m.

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