

LANSING COMMUNITY COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
August 11, 2008

Special Meeting
Adopted Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:42 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Canja, Hollister, Lavery, Proctor, Rasmusson, Woods, Smith
Absent: None

Trustee Hollister was in attendance by telephone.

Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee Proctor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Limited Public Comment Regarding Agenda Items

There was no public comment.

Closed Session

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Rasmusson and supported by Trustee Canja to enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing a client attorney privileged matter.

Trustee Proctor asked for clarification on which of 3 categories the closed session request would fall under: (1) Personnel matters, provided that the employee requested that the meeting be in closed session, (2) Purchase of Property or (3) Labor Negotiations.

Chairperson Smith stated that the closed session is for a personnel matter where the employee has requested that the Board go into closed session.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Canja, Hollister, Proctor, Rasmusson, Woods, Smith

Nays: Lavery

Absent: None

The motion carried.

The Board entered into closed session at 5:48 p.m.

The Board returned to open session at 6:42 p.m.

Roll call:

Present: Canja, Hollister, Lavery, Proctor, Rasmusson, Woods, Smith

Absent: None

Personnel Matter

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Canja and supported by Trustee Rasmusson to authorize the Human Resource officer Queen McMiller to execute a severance agreement and letter of reference on behalf of the College for James Humphries.

Trustee Proctor and Trustee Lavery stated that they disagreed with the process that was taking place.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Canja, Hollister, Rasmusson, Woods, Smith

Nays: Proctor, Lavery

Absent: None

The motion carried.

Approval of Senior Vice President's

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Canja and supported by Trustee Rasmusson to approve the recommendation of the President to appoint Dr. Stanley Chase and Dr. Stephanie Shanblatt as Senior Vice Presidents

Discussion followed.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Canja, Hollister, Proctor, Rasmusson, Woods, Smith

Nays: Lavery

Absent: None

The motion carried.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

Board Comment

Trustee Proctor stated the following:

- Apologized if comments he makes are contrary to the Mutual Commitments.
- Stated that over the course of the last several month he has come to the conclusion that things are not going in the way that he believe they are suppose to go.
- Stated that the MI Community College ACT provides for seven Trustees to be the governing Board of LCC. Stated that the seven members of this Board are not always engaged in the decision making process at the College.
- Stated that this evening that the Board was called upon to ratified actions that were already determined by some members of the Board.
- Stated that one of or Board members has engaged in interactions with staff that are improper and or abusive.
- Stated that items have come to the attention of the Board that were not ready to be addressed by the Board.
- Stated that the Board needs to address the President's contract. His contract was presented not ready and President Knight did not have time to reflect on it.
- Stated that the actions the Board took that affected Judith Cardenas was also brought forward to the Board when a couple of Board members had already decided upon the action.

Trustee Canja stated the following:

- Stated that she felt the Board is a collegial body.
- Stated that every Board goes through some growing pain in getting to know each other.
- Appreciates working with all members of the Board and is pleased to be apart of LCC.
- Stated that Dr. Knight has done a phenomenal job with meeting people in the Community. Community members have stated that they are very pleased and excited about the future of LCC and the possibilities. People are willing and ready to partner with LCC and start new initiatives.
- Stated that she attended the registration event and was very pleased. She appreciated all of the effort that went into it and the impact that it had on the people who attended.

Adjournment

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Woods and supported by Trustee Rasmusson for the meeting to adjourn.

Ayes: Canja, Hollister, Lavery, Proctor, Rasmusson, Woods, Smith

Nays: None
Absent: None

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.