



Community College System of New Hampshire Board of Trustees

Thursday, August 29, 2024

System Office Conference Room & Via Zoom

Present: Trustee Nick Toumpas, Chancellor Mark Rubinstein

Regrets: Trustee Tricia H. Lucas, Trustee Kimberly Eckenrode, Trustee John T. Stevens, Trustee Danny Fojtik, Director Deanna Jurius, Director Joseph Doiron, Director Stephen Appleby, President Lucille Jordan (NCC),

Remote (via Zoom): Trustee Katharine Bogle Shields, Trustee Edwin O. Smith (*exited at 11:53am*), Trustee Alison Stebbins, Trustee Christopher Dodge, Trustee Donnalee M. Lozeau, Trustee Geoffrey Kennedy, Trustee Gregory C. Eastman, Trustee Richard Ackerman, Trustee Sharon D. Harris, Trustee Steven H. Slovenski (*no sound available so was not able to vote or sound off for roll call*), Trustee Will Cunningham, Trustee Darrin Daniels, Trustee Stephen J. Ellis, Trustee Tiffany Eddy, Vice Chancellor Charles Lloyd, Legal Coordinator Sarah Morrissey (*11:28am - 11:38am*), President Alfred Williams IV (RVCC), President Patrick Cate (LRCC), President Sarmad Saman (WMCC), President Cheryl Lesser (GBCC), President Patrick Tompkins (NHTI)

Guests: Director Sara Sawyer, Chief Operating Officer Scott Fields (*via Zoom 11:00am-11:47am*)

Meeting Minutes:

Chair Shields called the meeting to order at 11:01am by declaring an emergency meeting, counting all members toward the quorum requirement whether or not physically present in the meeting location, based on the following findings:

- Under the Right to Know Law, RSA 91-A:2, III(b), a governmental body such as this Board of Trustees is authorized to meet by conference call when immediate action is imperative and the physical presence of a quorum is not reasonably practical within the period of time requiring action.

It is my determination that a meeting by conference call is justified based on the following facts:

- The individual members of the CCSNH Board of Trustees live and work in locations not conducive to a single meeting location;
- Given the members' various professional and personal schedules it is not reasonably practical to gather a quorum of committee members in a single location;
- The business presented today cannot be delayed until the next scheduled meeting on 10/17/2024.

Chair Shields reminded the Trustees that since this is a hybrid meeting, attendance and all votes will be taken via roll call.



Chair Shields asked if there were any conflicts of interest in discussing labor practices, Trustee Kennedy expressed a conflict of interest and will recuse himself from discussion and voting.

Vote: Trustee Smith motioned to enter a non-public session according to the provisions in RSA 91-A:3, II (a), in order to discuss a personnel matter, Trustee Stebbins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.

Non-public session entered at 11:08am
Non-public session exited at 12:01pm

Vote: Trustee Lozeau motioned to reject the fact finder's report as presented, Trustee Toumpas seconded the motion. Motion carried via roll call vote with 12 affirmative votes and 1 abstention.

Chair Shields thanked everyone for their time and thanked the System Office team and negotiating team for their hard work. With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 12:04pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cassandra A. Hoefs
Executive Assistant to the Chancellor and the Board of Trustees