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DELTA COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD ROOM
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2010
2:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT R. Emrich, K. Ellison, K. Higgs, K. Houston-Philpot, R. E. Selby, R. Stafford

MEMBERS ABSENT K. Lawrence-Webster, J. MacKenzie, E. Wacksman

OTHERS PRESENT J. Goodnow, L. Govitz, T. Lane, D. Lutz, A. Ursuy

PRESS PRESENT T. Lascari (Midland Daily News)

CALL TO ORDER Board Chair K. Houston-Philpot called the meeting to order at 2:34 p.m.

Board Chair K. Houston-Philpot said to keep Board Secretary, Leslie Myles-Sanders, in our thoughts. She is not able to be here today due to a family emergency.

R. Emrich made a motion for Tom Lane to serve as parliamentarian in Leslie Myles-Sanders' absence with support from K. Ellison. Motion passed unanimously.

R. Emrich made a motion for Andrea Ursuy to serve as Board Secretary, pro tem, in Leslie Myles-Sanders' absence with support from K. Ellison. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS Board Chair K. Houston-Philpot called for comments from the public.

CLOSED SESSION K. Higgs made a motion to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing written opinion of legal counsel with support from R. Emrich.

K. Higgs said that he was dismayed that he did not have the opportunity to have access to information about today's meeting prior to arrival. R. E. Selby said that he thinks it would be more productive if this meeting was held at another time, because the author of the legal opinion is not able to be here today. K. Houston-Philpot asked the Board to consider proceeding with the discussion so that the Board can begin to bring closure to this matter. K. Higgs said that the closed session must be about what the Board can or cannot do – not what we should or should not do. K. Houston-Philpot said that the Trustee in question, [Karen Lawrence-Webster](#), had requested the closed session in writing. In addition, K. Houston-Philpot cited the provision in the Open Meetings Act and an Attorney General opinion that supports the Board going into closed session for discussion of this matter.

The results of the vote to go into closed session were 5 in favor, 1 opposed:

K. Ellison – Yes
R. Emrich – Yes
K. Higgs – No
K. Houston-Philpot – Yes

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R. E. Selby – Yes

R. Stafford – Yes

Trustees went into closed session at 2:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Trustees came out of closed session at 3:40 p.m.

K. Higgs made a motion to postpone any action on this matter for 120 days. The motion failed due to lack of a second.

There being no further business, Board Chair K. Houston-Philpot adjourned the meeting at 3:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Myles-Sanders, Board Secretary

Andrea Ursuy, Recording Secretary

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