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**Delta College
Board of Trustees
Special Meeting – Bylaws Committee
Virtually via Zoom (1-929-205-6099 Webinar ID 876 0820 0066)
Held virtually in accordance with Public Act 254 of 2020 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic
Monday, March 15, 2021
8:00 am**

BOARD PRESENT M. Benecke, R. Emrich, M. Rowley

OTHERS PRESENT T. Brown, C. Curtis, S. DuFresne, J. Goodnow, J. Leadford, E. Roth, K. Schuler, A. Ursuy

PRESS PRESENT None

CALL TO ORDER Assistant Board Secretary, T. Brown read a meeting overview at 8:00 am.

“Good morning,

I would like to take a minute to explain how I will run today’s meeting.

The Board is authorized to hold this virtual meeting with participation through the Zoom platform in compliance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act as amended (Public Act 254 of 2020).

The Zoom platform allows participants to participate virtually via phone or computer and ensures that the public can participate in this meeting.

For those joining us today, we want to ensure everyone can hear the board meeting. To minimize audio feedback, we ask all virtual participants to NOT use any speakerphone options.

All participants are currently muted to prevent any background noise or feedback. Board members will be unmuted to allow full participation during the meeting when recognized. *For clarity, please state your name prior to speaking.*

- If you are joining via phone and wish to be recognized, please press *9.
- If you are joining via the video option on your computer, please press the “raise hand” option.

Please note that all votes will be taken via roll call by our Assistant Board Secretary, Talisa Brown.

In addition, “the amendments (to the Open Meetings Act that went into effect on October 16, 2020) impose a new requirement for any member of the public body participating remotely to publicly announce, at the outset of the meeting, that he or she is participating remotely. If the announcing member's remote participation is for any reason other than military duty, the member must announce his or her physical location "by stating the county, city, township, or village and state from which he or she is attending the meeting remotely." The member's public announcement must be included in the meeting minutes.”

Therefore, our Assistant Board Secretary, Talisa Brown, will take attendance immediately after I call the meeting to order. When she calls your name, please say “here” and announce the city, township, or village; county; and state from which you are attending the meeting remotely.

If members of the public wish to address the Members of the Bylaws Committee, you may do so during the public comment portion of the meeting, which is on our agenda and will be announced by the Committee Chair. At that time, those wishing to address the Board should indicate their desire to speak by pressing *9 (star-9) or the “raise hand” option.

Notes on rules for public comment, please press *9 or the “raise hand” option to be recognized. When you are acknowledged, we ask that you state your name and you may state your county of residence. As outlined in the Board of Trustees Bylaws, please limit your comments to five minutes.”

Committee Chair, M. Rowley called the meeting to order at 8:03 am.

**BOARD MEMBER
ATTENDANCE**

Assistant Board Secretary T. Brown took attendance. Each Trustee indicated their presence, township or city, and county of residence in Michigan from which they were participating in this meeting.

M. Benecke – Present, Frankenlust Township, Bay County
R. Emrich – Present, Saginaw Township, Saginaw County
M. Rowley – Present, Bangor Township, Bay County

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Committee Chair, M. Rowley called for the approval of the agenda. M. Benecke made a motion to approve the agenda. M. Rowley seconded the motion.

The results of the roll call vote to approve the agenda are as follows:

M. Benecke – Yes
R. Emrich – Yes
M. Rowley – Yes

Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

M. Rowley called for public comment.

**DISCUSSION OF BOARD
APPROVED POLICIES**

J. Goodnow noted a charge given by the Board many years ago in reviewing Senate Policies due to litigation and further possible risk to the College. The majority of the policies were reviewed. Several were removed as they related to state and federal law. Due to the fact that the faculty will be part of a collective bargaining agreement and with the recent removal of the Support Staff and Administrative Professional Staff from the Senate, many policies that actually affect all employees need to be moved into this Board Approved College Policies document.

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Josh Leadford reviewed the various sections of the document and indicated changes made since the last meeting. Trustees engaged in discussion on the various sections and provided their feedback for moving forward.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS None

CHAIR COMMENTS M. Rowley noted that the committee will meet again on Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 10 am.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business, M. Rowley adjourned the meeting at 9:45 am.

Talisa Brown, Assistant Board Secretary