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**Delta College
Board of Trustees Special Meeting
Delta College Board Room B-151
Tuesday, April 14, 2026
5:00 pm**

- Board Present** A. Baldwin, S. Gannon, B. Handley-Miller, D. Middleton, M. Nash, M. Rowley, A. Thomas
- Board Absent** A. Clark, M. Wood
- Others Present** T. Brown, W. Burns, P. Clark, C. DeEulis, J. Foco, A. Ginter, L. Govitz, J. Harned, D. Harris, S. Hill, D. Hopkins, K. Kiste-Toner, P. Larkowski, E. Lazzari, J. Mulders, J. Perry, S. Raube, K. Schuler, A. Ursuy, S. VanderLaan, C. Wilson
- Press Present** E. Brown (Delta Collegiate), D. Chalk (Midland Daily News), J. Engel (MLive), B. Metiva (Delta Collegiate)
- Call to Order** Board Chair, S. Gannon called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.
- Approval of Agenda** Board Chair, S. Gannon, called for the approval of the agenda. D. Middleton made a motion to approve the agenda. B. Handley-Miller seconded the motion.
- The motion passed unanimously.
- Public Comment** Board Chair, S. Gannon called for public comment.
- Deliberate and Select First Choice Candidate – Delta College President (BA5680)** Board Chair, S. Gannon started with a summary of the process that has been followed for the presidential search. She also expressed a big thank you to everyone who has been involved along the way.
- D. Harris, from ACCT, said that reference checks were conducted on all three candidates. They were overwhelmingly positive. He confirmed that all the candidates are still interested in the position and that there were no red flags discovered for any of the candidates.
- The Board then ranked each candidate. Their first choice received 5 points, second choice, 3 points; and third choice, 1 point. The results of the ranking (not an official vote) resulted in Dr. Michelle Allmendinger receiving 33 points, Dr. Reva Curry receiving 11 points, and Dr. Adam Cloutier 19 points. The Board Members engaged in an open discussion about the candidates, sharing strengths and weaknesses for all of them.
- D. Middleton made a motion to offer the position of President for Delta College to Dr. Michelle Allmendinger, subject to a successful negotiation of a contract. A. Thomas seconded the motion.
- The motion passed unanimously.
- (BA5681)** B. Handley-Miller made a motion to direct the Board Chair working with counsel and the Board Treasurer, to negotiate terms and conditions of the presidential contract to be approved by the Board. D. Middleton seconded the motion.

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M. Nash asked if there was an end date to A. Ursuy's term as Interim President. A. Ursuy stated that the date is July 1 or sooner.

M. Rowley asked about the farmhouse being part of the contract. S. Gannon noted that it would be part of the negotiation process.

The motion passed unanimously.

**Trustee
Comments**

D. Middleton said she is glad to be at this moment. She was honored to chair the search advisory committee. She feels fantastic about the decision that was made. She also offered her gratitude to anyone who had any role in the process.

B. Handley-Miller thanked D. Middleton for her leadership with the search advisory committee. She also thanked the Board Chair, S. Gannon, Board Vice Chair A. Baldwin as well as everyone at the college who participated. There was a lot of work done. It was a good process. She said we had three really good candidates, and it was a hard decision.

A. Thomas said she appreciated everyone that was involved in the process and is looking forward to next steps.

M. Rowley said thank you to his fellow trustees as well as everyone involved in the process.

M. Nash thanked everyone that came to the meeting tonight. He also thanked Chair Gannon for all of her work and A. Ursuy for helping the college during this transition period. He said it's a very different process in selecting a leader at the college compared to private industry. It's a very interesting process getting feedback from all aspects of the college.

A. Baldwin said she is glad to be at this point. She thanked D. Middleton for chairing the search advisory committee and keeping them focused. She also thanked the community members who served on that committee. She is grateful for her fellow trustees, and she hopes that Board Chair, S. Gannon, can now get some rest.

Chair Comments

Board Chair, S. Gannon congratulated everyone for getting us to this point. She said that the word that comes to mind when we talk about all the people that were involved is inclusive. She said we can be proud of the work we did. She thanked her fellow trustees for the work they did and the good dialogue.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Board Chair, S. Gannon adjourned the meeting at 6:15 pm.

Talisa Brown, Board Secretary Pro Tem