

REGENT CANDIDATE ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 7, 2009 & Thursday, January 8, 2009
McNamara Alumni Center

Present:

David Fisher, Chair
Joe Aitken
Ken Albrecht
Jane Belau
Tony Bianco
Bill Brady
Ardell Brede
Sonia Cairns
Paul Dovre
Patrick Duncanson
Jennifer Godinez
John Hyduke
Richard Ista
Lois Josefson
Daniel Kauppi
Kerstin Larson (January 7th only)
Sylvia Kaplan
Harriet Porter
Jo-Anne Stately
Paul Rexford Thatcher
Billie Young

Excused:

Shelley Buck
Steve Claypatch
Bert Swanson

The Regent Candidate Advisory Council (RCAC) meeting was called to order by David Fisher, RCAC Chair, at 8:02 am. A quorum was present.

Announcements

Mr. Fisher reviewed the materials in the member's packets; highlighting the statement of diversity, the regent criteria list and information pertaining to the makeup of the current Board of Regents. He encouraged members to keep that information in mind throughout the interviews. Mr. Fisher then requested staff provide the council with the list of joint legislative committee members.

Mr. Fisher briefly reviewed the interview process. He pointed out that the RCAC member that conducted the reference checks for a specific candidate would greet and introduce that candidate to the council. Mr. Fisher also noted that all of the candidate interviews would be recorded. Any

council members who were absent or missed a candidate's interview must listen to the recording of the interview in order to fully participate in the voting process. Interviews would have 45-minute timelines, with a 15-minute break between interviews. The candidate would be allowed five minutes for an opening statement, the council would then ask questions and the interview would conclude with the candidate's closing statement. Mr. Fisher reminded council members of the list of example questions included in their packets.

Approval of the Minutes

Ardell Brede moved approval of the December 11, 2008 meeting minutes. Seconded and Approved.

Reference Checks

The public meeting was closed and members met in executive session for the purpose of reviewing candidate reference checks. Mr. Fisher concluded executive session and reopened the meeting to the public for the candidate interviews.

Morning Interviews:

Clyde Allen Jr.

Kjell Bergh

Jim Miller

Gary Lee

The council took a lunch break from 12:15 p.m. until 1:00 p.m. The council reconvened at 1:00 pm. Members met in executive session for the purpose of reviewing candidate reference checks. Mr. Fisher concluded the executive session at 1:30 pm and opened the meeting to the public for the candidate interviews.

Afternoon Interviews:

Bruce Beatty

Randy Simonson

Anita Pampusch

Patricia Simmons

The meeting adjourned for the day at 5:14 p.m.

Thursday, January 8, 2009

The RCAC meeting was called to order by David Fisher, RCAC Chair, at 8:17 am. A quorum was present.

The meeting was closed to the public and members met in executive session for the purpose of reviewing candidate reference checks. Mr. Fisher concluded executive session at 8:30 am and reopened the meeting to the public for the candidate interviews.

Morning Interviews:

Kathryn Roberts
Blanton Bessinger
Rick Beeson
Clifford Vrieze

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Afternoon Interviews:

John Frobenius
Anne Rasmusson

After the interviews concluded, the public meeting was closed and members met in executive session for the purpose of finishing the candidate reference checks. Mr. Fisher concluded executive session and opened the meeting to the public for the voting.

Mr. Fisher reminded members to consider the criteria list to be a Regent as well as the makeup of the current board when voting on candidates to recommend to the joint legislative committee.

Mr. Fisher then reviewed the selection procedures. The council must select two to four candidates to forward to the joint legislative committee for each of the four open seats. The names will be forwarded to the committee in alphabetical order. Voting commenced with the 21 members present and voting. By actions of the council, the following candidates were recommended to the joint legislative committee for consideration:

First District: Patricia Simmons and Randy Simonson

Fourth District: Rick Beeson and Anita Pampusch

Sixth District: Kjell Bergh and Kathryn Roberts

Seventh District: Clyde Allen Jr. and Anne Rasmusson

Mr. Fisher requested volunteers to call all interviewees upon adjournment of the meeting to let them know the results of the voting. He asked volunteers to make their phone calls to the interviewees with the voting results as soon as possible.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm on Thursday, January 8, 2009.