

MINUTES OF THE INFORMATION SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF MACOMB

An open information session of the Board of Trustees of the Community College District of the County of Macomb was held Thursday, June 2, 2011, at 5:00 p.m., in Room K315 of the John Lewis Student Community Center, South Campus, 14500 Twelve Mile Road, Warren, Michigan, pursuant to notice.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kelly at 5:12 p.m. Trustee Bonkowski was appointed Acting Secretary.

2.0 ROLL CALL

Present: James F. Kelly, Chairperson
Christine Bonkowski, Vice Chairperson
Nancy Falcone, Treasurer
Joseph DeSantis, Trustee
Roseanne DiMaria, Trustee (arrived at 5:16 p.m.)
Charley Jackson, Trustee

Absent: Connie Bolanowski, Secretary (excused)

Also present: James Jacobs, President
Elizabeth Argiri, Vice President for Business
Jill M. Little, Vice President of Administration
Patricia Martz, Secretary to the President
Hunter L. Wendt, General Counsel

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Falcone, supported by Bonkowski, to amend the agenda by moving agenda item 6.0, Executive Session, to 4.0, and to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion carried.

4.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Falcone, supported by Bonkowski, to move into Executive Session.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Falcone, Bonkowski, DeSantis, Jackson, Kelly

Nays: None

Absent: DiMaria

Motion carried.

RECESS

The meeting recessed at 5:15 p.m.

(Trustee DiMaria arrived at the meeting at 5:16 p.m.)

RECONVENE

The meeting reconvened at 5:25 p.m.

Motion carried.

5.0 REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS AND MATERIAL

Dr. Jacobs reviewed with the Trustees the overall purpose of the bidding process and stated that he has confidence that the food service committee followed the appropriate process which brought them to their recommendation on the food service and vending contracts. Trustee DeSantis responded that the Board of Trustees voted overwhelmingly at the board meeting on May 17th to reject the food service and vending contracts recommended by administration, which he added that the Board has the right to do. He further stated that he has never been provided with any substantial evaluations of the quality and performance of the current food service vendor and the quality and maintenance of the vending machines. Trustee DeSantis expressed his dismay with having matters brought back to the Board for a revote.

Ms. Argiri introduced two of the food service committee members, Roberta Remias, Director of Finance and Investments, and Geary Maiuri, Dean of Student and Community Service/Conference and Co-curricular, who were scheduled to make a presentation to the Board on the process of how the committee came to their recommendation on the food service and vending contracts. During and after the presentation, the Trustees had questions. Trustee DeSantis asked whether the food service committee visited Oakland Community College to inquire about their experience with Continental Services as their food service vendor. Mr. Maiuri responded that the committee did not visit Oakland Community College but did make inquiries at Washtenaw and Jackson Community Colleges. Trustee DeSantis inquired as to whether there was a major problem with the current vending machines which resulted in the recommendation to change vendors. Mr. Maiuri responded that it was a financial decision. Trustee DeSantis asked if there were any surveys conducted on the preferred beverage of Coca Cola or Pepsi. Ms. Little responded that the college's research department did conduct a survey, and Trustee DeSantis asked that a copy of the survey be provided to him. Mr. Maiuri stated that they did make some inquiries as to Coca Cola and it was a financial decision as well as the preference of the students at Macomb. Trustee Jackson asked if the food service committee evaluated section 2.6 in the request for proposals and if it matched exactly with the results of their ranking. Dennis Costello, Director of Purchasing and a member of the food service committee, responded that the criteria used was drawn from that particular section of the request for proposals and further indicated that each proposal

received was critiqued based on that criteria and on a scoring system. Trustee Jackson inquired as to whether the committee added or deleted anything from the request for proposals to the evaluation. Mr. Costello indicated that those companies which responded to the college's request for proposals were made aware of the criteria, how the proposals were being graded and how the evaluation process works. Trustee Jackson thanked Mr. Maiuri and Ms. Remias for their presentation. Trustee DeSantis also thanked them and commented that it would have been helpful if this presentation had been conducted prior to the May 17th vote on this matter.

6.0 AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Representatives from Variety Food Services, Metro Vending Services, Continental Services and Local 337 addressed the Board of Trustees regarding special meeting agenda item 5.0, Food Service and Vending Contracts.

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Bonkowski, supported by DiMaria, to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

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Acting Secretary