

APPROVED MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF MACOMB

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Community College District of the County of Macomb was held Wednesday, September 3, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., in Room 109 of the Professional Development Center, University Center, Center Campus, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township, Michigan.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lorenzo at 6:01 p.m.

2.0 ROLL CALL

Present:

Katherine Lorenzo, Chairperson

Kristi Dean, Secretary

Frank Cusumano, Trustee

Joan Flynn, Trustee

Vincent Viviano, Trustee – arrived at 6:06pm

Absent:

Shelley Vitale, Vice Chairperson

Roseanne DiMaria, Treasurer

Also present:

James Sawyer, President

Jeffrey Steele, General Counsel, Office of General Counsel

Patsy Tannahill, Executive Assistant to the President and Board of Trustees

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Flynn, supported by Cusumano, to approve the agenda as presented.

ALL IN FAVOR:

AYES: Flynn, Cusumano, Dean, Lorenzo

NAYS:

ABSENT: DiMaria, Vitale, Viviano

MOTION CARRIED.

4.0 AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

## 5.0 PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION PROCESS

The Board of Trustees discussed the options for conducting the search for the next presidential candidates. Trustees reviewed potential approaches, including conducting the search internally or engaging an external search firm, and considered the advantages and challenges of each option.

MOTION by Dean, supported by Flynn, that the Board of Trustees select a third-party search firm to assist with the presidential search at Macomb Community College.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Dean, Flynn, Cusumano, Viviano, Lorenzo

NAYS:

ABSENT: DiMaria, Vitale

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Dean, supported by Cusumano, to make an exception to the purchasing policy and direct the administration to research firms or individuals qualified and capable of guiding the board's search for its new president and to recommend their top three candidates to the board.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Dean, Cusumano, Flynn, Viviano, Lorenzo

NAYS:

ABSENT: DiMaria, Vitale

MOTION CARRIED.

## 6.0 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Viviano, supported by Cusumano, to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF MACOMB BOARD OF TRUSTEES

  
Secretary