# DCC BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: March 12, 2024

Meeting Location: DCC Board Room

Approval: FINAL

Recorded By: Becca Klang

# Attendance for the March 12, 2024, Special Board of Trustee Meeting

Name	Title/Organization	Present
Cindy Larsen	Chair	Yes
Sarah Thorson	Vice Chair	Yes
Gloria Garceau-Glaser	Trustee	Yes
Brendan Heidner	Trustee	Yes
Kathy Hoiland	Trustee	Yes
Sandy Johnson	Trustee	Yes
	Trustee	
Justin Villmer	President of DCC	Yes
Becca Klang	Assistant to the President	Yes
Becky Smith	Dean of Finance and Operations	No
Josh Engle	Dean of Student Success	Yes
Matt Hull	Dean of Academic Affairs	No
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<b>Community Members</b>		
Hunter Herbaugh	Ranger Review	Yes
Dennis Harp	DC Foundation	Yes - Phone
Daisy Nyberg	Director of Human Relations	Yes
Joe Peterson	Athletic Director	Yes
Destini Hill	DCC Faculty	Yes – Zoom

Cindy Larsen, Chair

Sarah Thorson, Vice Chair

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Chair Larsen called the meeting to order at 5:41 p.m.

# **Introductions**

Chair Larsen called for introductions. Introductions were made around the room.

#### Reports

## I. Presidential Search Update

Chair Larsen reviewed the schedule of February 29, 2024 when various question and answer forums were help for Faculty, Staff and Students. There was also a Community question and answer forum held that evening after the Board of Trustees interviewed the candidate. There was discussion amongst the trustees regarding the feedback that was received from the question and answer forums.

#### II. Public Comment

Chair Larsen called for public comment.

Joe Peterson stated that a possibility that the attendance was potentially lower than foreseen because staff and faculty attended the initial meeting on February 6, 2024, regarding the proposal.

Josh Engle stated that the educational level of the President may be a focal point as individuals see the skillset and understand the rationalization for that position. Some individuals may not be against the fact Mr. Knudson doesn't have the educational level, they may just need the Board of Trustee's to elaborate the level of skill sets and also rationalize this level of education Mr. Knudson holds.

#### **New Business**

### III. Next steps in Presidential Search

Chair Larsen opened up for discussion or a motion regarding the next steps

Trustee Thorson made a motion to enter into contract negotiations to hire Mr. Chad Knudson as the president of Dawson Community College. Trustee Hoiland seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Motion passed unanimously. Trustee Heidner abstained from this as he has both personal and professional conflicts of interest.

IV. Open Forum for Public Input on Dawson Community College Issues Chair Larsen called for public input. There was none.

The Special Board of Trustee meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m.