Blue Ridge Community College Board of Trustees Meeting October 17, 2016, 5:00 p.m. Henderson County Campus TEDC, Room #205 Special Call Meeting

The Board of Trustees of Blue Ridge Community College met on Monday, October 17, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. on the Henderson County Campus, TEDC, Room #205 for a Special Call Meeting. A distance learning opportunity was provided at the Transylvania County Campus.

The following members were present:

John McCormick

Chip Gould

Patricia Jones

Betty Gash Kohlan Flynn

Jeremy Gibbs Kelly Leonard Andrew Riddle Josh Hallingse

Duke Woodhull

Bill Ramsey

Susan Robinson

Elizabeth Mallard

The following members were excused:

Mark Morse

Andrew Tate

Others attending:

Brenda Conner

Chad Donnahoo

Matt Gilley

Chairman McCormick called the meeting to order and welcomed Trustees, guests and introduced new Trustee Susan Robinson.

#### **Ethics Statement**

Chairman McCormick read the following Ethics Statement:

Board Members, Madame President and financial and administrative staff:

- a. You are reminded that you have a duty to avoid all conflicts of interest, potential conflicts of interest, and appearances of conflicts of interest.
- b. Do any of you know of or anticipate any conflict of interest, potential conflict of interest or appearance of conflict of interest regarding the matters on the agenda for today's meeting?

No conflicts were reported.

# **Approval of Agenda**

Chairman McCormick asked if there were any changes that needed to be made to the meeting agenda. There being none, the agenda was accepted on record.

### **Minutes Approval**

Chairman McCormick informed Trustees that the minutes from the September 27, 2016, special call meeting had been posted to the Board web site. Kelly Leonard made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; it was seconded by Chip Gould and passed unanimously.

#### Closed Session

Chip Gould made a motion that pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes section 143-318.11(c) the Board of Trustees go into closed session to discuss matters related to Berbrick v. Blue Ridge Community College, et al., 15 CVS 820 (Henderson County, North Carolina). It was seconded by Betty Gash and passed unanimously.

### **Approval of Presidential Search Committee**

Upon returning to open session, Chad Donnahoo and Matt Gilley excused themselves from the remainder of the meeting.

Chairman McCormick informed Trustees the proposed listing of the Presidential Search Committee was included in folders for their review. After discussion and all questions were addressed, Jeremy Gibbs made a motion to approve the Presidential Search Committee as presented. It was seconded by Josh Hallingse and passed without dissent.

Chairman McCormick reminded Trustees that all non-Trustee committee members would only serve until the top finalists are chosen. The Board of Trustees only will have the authority to select the next President.

### **Approval of Presidential Profile Survey**

Chairman McCormick asked Trustees to review the Presidential Profile Survey that was provided. A suggestion was made to add "*elected official*" to question 1. After discussion and all questions were addressed, Kohlan Flynn made a motion to approve the Presidential Profile Survey with the recommended change. It was seconded by Andrew Riddle and passed unanimously.

Chairman McCormick also presented the press release with distribution plan and the Presidential Search Webpage to Board Members. Suggestions were made to add the Fletcher Area Business Association to the distribution plan. It was also suggested to not request the Chamber to email their membership. After discussion, Chip Gould made a motion to approve the press release and distribution plan, as well as, the Presidential Search webpage with recommended changes. It was seconded by Betty Gash and passed without dissent.

# Review and Selection of Presidential Search Consulting Firm

Chairman McCormick informed Trustees copies of the submitted proposals from the following consulting firms were emailed prior to the meeting: ACCT, Campbell Shatley, Gold Hill Associates, NCACCT, and Shoemaker & Associates. Discussion arose regarding experience, price, credentials, and availability. After discussion and all questions were addressed, Josh Hallingse made a motion to approve the NCACCT consulting firm to conduct the College's presidential search. It was seconded by Jeremy Gibbs and passed unanimously.

# Schedule Next Meeting Date

Chairman McCormick reviewed the approved timeline with Trustees and suggested that the next meeting should be with the Presidential Search Committee and the consultant. A tentative date of November 7, 2016, at 5 p.m. was suggested. Brenda Conner will contact Dr. Hunter of the NCACCT to confirm his availability for a meeting on November 7, and will notify the Presidential Search Committee regarding the next meeting date.

### Comments by the Board Members/Adjourn

There being no further business, Chip Gould made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Betty Gash and passed unanimously.

Chairman

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