

BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT VIII BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Community College District VIII, state of Washington, was held on May 28, 2020. In accordance with Governor Inslee's Amended Proclamation 20-25, Stay Home-Stay Healthy, this meeting was conducted virtually. The meeting was accessible to the public via Zoom. A telephone line was also available. Rich Fukutaki, Chair, presided.

MINUTES

The executive session was called to order at 5:00 PM.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:00 PM, Chair Fukutaki announced there would be an executive session for approximately 60 minutes to evaluate the performances of public employees and qualifications of applicants for public employment and to discuss matters with legal counsel regarding potential litigation and collective bargaining. The Board returned to regular session at 6:02 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Chair Rich Fukutaki, Vice Chair Greg Dietzel, Lisa Chin, Merisa Heu-Weller, Richard Leigh, Jinhua Johnson, Kristen Jones, and Bruce Marvin were present.

III. AGENDA

Trustee Heu-Weller made a motion to approve the agenda (May 28, 2020). Trustee Dietzel seconded.

The motion passed unanimously.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. Appointment of the Interim President

Chair Fukutaki announced that the authority and obligation to employ the president of the college rests with the Board of Trustees under Bellevue College Policy 1000 and RCW 28B.50.140 and asked if there was a motion for the appointment of an interim president?

Motion 23.20

Trustee Leigh moved that the Board of Trustees of Community College District VIII hereby appoint Gary Locke as interim president for Bellevue College at an annual salary of \$281,459. The motion was seconded by Trustee Heu-Weller.

Discussion:

The Board members discussed the selection process and how they were impressed with the high level of engagement in the process across the campus. They explained the input they received from the campus was instrumental in their decision. The Board members were grateful to have such a strong slate of finalists.

Chair Fukutaki acknowledged and thanked Dr. Jones for her service as Acting President as she not only managed the crisis at hand in leadership transition, but also led the rapid change in transitioning to a remote environment. Chair Fukutaki also thanked Suzette Yaezenko, Bruce Marvin, and Alicia Keating Polson for their guidance and assistance throughout the search process.

Chair Fukutaki announced the Board would vote on Motion 23.20 appointing Gary Locke as interim president for Bellevue College at an annual salary of \$281,459.

The motion passed unanimously.

V. UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS/COMMUNITY TESTIMONY

Seamus Allen, student at Bellevue College, made a public comment about S&A fees.

Ed Lazowska, faculty member at UW, made a public comment about the interim president selection.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Fukutaki adjourned the Board of Trustees meeting at 6:17 PM.

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Richard G. Fukutaki, Chair Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

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Alicia Keating Polson Secretary, Board of Trustees Community College District VIII