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MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES
YAKIMA VALLEY COLLEGE
July 1, 2024, at 3:00pm
West Campus Conference Center Meeting Room D
1704 W. Nob Hill Blvd Yakima WA 98902

Chair Ortega called the regular meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and passed the gavel to our new appointed Chair Patrick Baldoz.

Chair Baldoz thanked previous Chair Ortega for her service over this past year on the board and is happy to announce that she will still be serving YVC Board of Trustees as a valued Trustee.

A. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests and New Employees

Board of Trustees Present

Patrick Baldoz, Chair

Laura Flores, Vice Chair

Bertha Ortega, Trustee

Dr. Sara Cate, Trustee

David Morales, Trustee (few mins late)

Others Present

YVC Staff & Faculty

B. Proposed Changes to the Agenda. NA

C. Call to the Public – Chair Baldoz stated that at this time the public is welcome to make comments on any of the action items on today’s agenda. Following the reports, there will be another Call to the Public for anyone who wishes to make comments on issues that were not action items. Ms. Sheehan let Chair Baldoz know no one signed up to speak.

D. Action Items:

1. Acceptance of President Linda Kaminski’s Retirement

Alma Ramirez presented to the Board of Trustees the acceptance of President Linda Kaminski’s retirement to the board based upon a previous written letter presented to the board announcing her retirement effective August 1, 2024. The board and the college recognize this retirement with gratitude of her 29 years of service and dedication. The board recognizes that Dr. Kaminski’s term as President is ending and approves the process of selecting a new President to ensure a smooth transition and continuity for our campus.

MOTION 24-07-01: Trustee Ortega moved that the Board of Trustees adopt a motion to accept the retirement of President Kaminski effective August 1, 2024, and to adopt a motion to start the selection and hiring process for a new college President.

The motion was seconded Trustee Cate and passed unanimously.



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2. Appointment of an Interim President

Alma Ramirez presented to the Board of Trustees the proposed recommendation to consider and interim appointment for the President of Dr. Linda Kaminski, there is an immediate need for strong leadership to ensure continuity of operations at YVC.

MOTION 24-07-02: Trustee Ortega moved that the Board of Trustees adopt a motion to elect an Interim President effective August 1, 2024.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Cate and passed unanimously.

Communications: No additional communications

A. Reports- NO REPORTS

B. Call to the Public – Chair Baldoz stated that at this- time the public is welcome to make comments. Jocelyn Sheehan let Chair Baldoz know no one signed up to speak.

C. Date of Next Meeting— The next meeting will be Thursday, September 12, 2024. Yakima Campus, West Campus Conference Room, 038-122 Meeting Room D. 1704 W. Nob Hill Blvd, Yakima WA 98902.

D. Executive Session -NA

E. Action Items. NA

F. Adjournment. The regular meeting was at adjourned at 3:15 p.m.



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