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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CHANCELLOR'S SEARCH COMMITTEE FOR UMASS BOSTON

Wednesday, December 11, 2019; 12:00 p.m. Lowell Room University of Massachusetts Club One Beacon Street – 32nd Floor Boston, Massachusetts

Committee Members Present: Chair Peters; Vice Chair Rhodes; Dr. Berger, Ms. Calise, Mr. Campbell, Dr. Chen, Ms. Dorcena Forry, Dr. Jaen, Dr. Johnson, Mr. Lewis, Jr., Ms. Linehan, Mr. Mabbett, Dr. Macoska, Mr. Paris Jeffries, Mr. Sanchez, Dr. Siqueira, Ms. Tariq, Dr. Thompson, Mr. Tolman, Mr. Wade, and Ms. Zeno

University Administration: General Counsel Leone, Director Avellaneda, Mr. Connolly

<u>Search Firm Representative</u>: Mr. John Isaacson, Isaacson, Miller; Mr. Monroe Moseley, Isaacson, Miller; Ms. Laura Mariani, Isaacson, Miller; Ms. Jenna Sattar Kwiatek, Isaacson, Miller

Chair Peters convened the meeting at 12:14 p.m.

Consideration of Minutes of the prior meeting of the Committee

Chair Peters stated that the committee was provided with the draft minutes of the November 5th open and executive session meeting. Chair Peters asked if there were any comments or corrections; hearing none, the open and executive session minutes were approved. Under the Office of The Massachusetts Attorney General, Open Meeting Law Guide and Educational Materials, General Counsel Leone, under the delegation of the UMass Board of Trustees, has determined that the Executive Session minutes will not be released and will remain confidential.

Chair Peters thanked the student and staff members of the committee from UMass Boston for encouraging more students and staff to communicate with the search committee via the search website. As a result, an electronic flyer was developed that encourages more communication and said outreach has thus generated additional beneficial feedback.

He asked Vice Chair Rhodes to provide comments on the feedback received from the UMass Boston Faculty Council which was shared with the search committee on the secured website. Vice Chair Rhodes shared that the UMass Boston Faculty Council made a formal request that members of their executive committee and any other members of the council who may choose to attend be given the opportunity to meet with the candidates when they make their campus visits. She stated that at this stage of the search process, the committee cannot confirm their decision but that she and Chair Peters on behalf of the search committee will provide a formal response to make clear that the search committee is committed to robust faculty involvement in this process and will keep the lines of communication open with regard to this request.

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Executive Session Announcement

Chair Peters then asked for a roll call vote to enter into Executive Session to consider applicants for the position of Chancellor as permitted under Ch. 30A, s.21(a)(8), since the chair has determined that a discussion in open session would have a detrimental effect on the committee's ability to attract qualified candidates; and under, s.21(a)(7), to comply with the Public Records law, Ch. 4, s.7, clause 26(u) to protect proprietary information provided to the University to assist in the preliminary screening of applicants.

It was moved and seconded, Ms. Kelley called the roll with each committee member asked to vote yes or no to enter into Executive Session for the purposes listed.

Chair Peters voted for the motion as did Vice Chair Rhodes; and Dr. Berger, Ms. Calise, Mr. Campbell, Dr. Chen, Ms. Dorcena Forry, Dr. Jaen, Dr. Johnson, Mr. Lewis, Jr., Ms. Linehan, Mr. Mabbett, Dr. Macoska, Mr. Paris Jeffries, Mr. Sanchez, Dr. Siqueira, Ms. Tariq, Dr. Thompson, Mr. Tolman, and Mr. Wade.

The time was 12:19 p.m.

Christina A. Kelley Assistant Secretary to the Board