The Special Meeting of the Michigan State University Board of Trustees was called to order by Chairperson Joel Ferguson on Tuesday, July 27, 1993, at 5:30 p.m. in the Lincoln Room of The Kellogg Center.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the presidential search and to provide an opportunity for public participation.


University officer present: Secretary Marcellette G. Williams. Others present: Dr. Bruce Miller, Executive Director, Presidential Search Committee.

All actions taken were by unanimous vote of the Trustees present, unless otherwise noted.

1. On a motion by Mr. Singleton, supported by Ms. Cook, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the agenda.

2. Chairperson Ferguson distributed a letter he received from Mr. Eli Broad, dated July 26, 1993, regarding the presidential search, and his July 27, 1993 letter of response to Mr. Broad. Both letters are included with the agenda in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

3. The following individuals addressed the Board of Trustees regarding the presidential search and the appointment of a President. Their comments are included with the agenda in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

   1) Kathryn Moore, Faculty and Chairperson, Department of Educational Administration
   2) David Scott Martin, Student
   3) Christopher K. Vanderpool, Faculty and Chairperson, Department of Sociology
   4) Meghan Sachiko Yamanishi, Student and Member of Coalition of Asian Pacific American and Chicano Latino Students
   5) Kenneth Waltzer, Faculty and former Acting Dean, James Madison College
   6) David Fisher, Faculty, Department of Electrical Engineering and incoming Chair of Steering Committee for Academic Governance
   7) Tim McKenna, Alumnus and Staff Member
   8) Jim Schaper, Graduate Student and Member of Presidential Search Committee
   9) G. Marie Swanson, Professor of Medicine and Director of the Cancer Center
   10) Ron Gibson, Local area Businessman
   11) Richard A. Navarro, Faculty and Director, Julian Samora Research Institute
   12) Patrick McConaghy, Faculty member, Department of Linguistics and Germanic, Slavic, Asian, and African Languages
   13) Eileen VanTassell, Faculty member, Department of Entomology
   14) Samir Singh, Student
   15) John Shapley, Chairperson, Black Student Association
   16) Jack Bass, Faculty member, Department of Physics-Astronomy
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17) Clarence Leland (Lee) Winder, Professor Emeritus of Psychology and Provost Emeritus
18) Marjorie Kostelnik, Faculty member and Acting Chairperson, Department of Family and Child Ecology
19) Timothy Chang, Faculty member, Department of Animal Science
20) Kenneth Corey, Professor of Geography and Urban Planning and Dean, College of Social Science
21) James Fotschen, Chairperson, Department of Radiology
22) Joanne Keith, Faculty member, Department of Family and Child Ecology
23) George Cornell, Director, Native American Institute; Associate Professor of English and History; Member Minority Advisory Council
24) Rene Perez Rosenbaum, President, Hispanic Faculty and Staff Association of MSU
25) Brian Debbaudt, Student; Chairperson of Academic Assembly of ASMSU; Member of Presidential Search Committee

4. Trustees Mawby, Cook, Weiss, Gonzales, Shingleton, Sawyer-Koch, and Chairperson Ferguson commented on the search and the candidates. Their remarks are included with the agenda in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Weiss requested to have the letters and comments which have been received by individual Trustees or in the offices of the Presidential Search and/or the Secretary of the Board be made a part of the record of the meeting. Those items are included with the agenda materials in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

5. Mr. Weiss recommended that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was supported by Mr. Shingleton.

At the request of Chairperson Ferguson, a ROLL CALL VOTE to adjourn the meeting was conducted by Secretary Williams. Trustees Cook, Mawby, Shingleton, and Traxler voted Yes. Trustees Ferguson, Gonzales, Sawyer-Koch and Weiss voted No.

6. Following discussion of Ms. Sawyer-Koch's suggestion for a date to be determined when the Board would reconvene, it was recommended by Dr. Mawby, supported by Mr. Shingleton, that the Presidential Search Committee review the names of those they have already interviewed plus any other names, in accordance with the procedures, that Board members may wish to suggest to the Committee for consideration and report back to the Board in one week. The Board will then look further at the issue.

Trustees commented on the motion. Ms. Cook recommended that the motion be amended so the Search Committee could meet at a mutually agreeable time as soon as is convenient for all members.

Mr. Ferguson reported that the Search Committee would reconvene, Board members would be contacted, and a meeting would be scheduled.

The MOTION was approved by a vote of 7-1. Trustee Gonzales voted No.

7. On a motion by Mr. Traxler, supported by Mr. Shingleton, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Gordon Guyer
President

Marcellette G. Williams
Secretary