MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
November 11, 1992

The Special Meeting of the Michigan State University Board of Trustees was called to order by President Gordon Guyer on Wednesday, November 11, 1992, at 8:15 a.m. in room 103 of The Kellogg Center.

Trustees present: Dolores M. Cook, Joel Ferguson, Russell G. Mawby, Dean Pridgeon, Barbara J. Sawyer, John D. Shingleton, and Robert E. Weiss.

Trustee absent: Melanie Reinhold.

University officers present: President Guyer, Provost Simon, Secretary Williams, and Vice Presidents Kurz and Wilkinson.

Others present: Trustee-elect Dorothy Gonzales.

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

1. On a motion by Dr. Mawby, supported by Mr. Shingleton, THE BOARD VOTED to approve the proposed agenda.

2. There were no requests to address the Board of Trustees.

3. Dr. Mawby, Co-chairperson of the Presidential Search Subcommittee of the Board of Trustees, presented the recommendation of the subcommittee to appoint Heidrick and Struggles, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois, to assist the University in the presidential search and selection process. The individuals representing the firm will be Mr. William Bowen and Dr. Janet Greenwood.

On a motion by Dr. Mawby, supported by Mr. Shingleton, THE BOARD VOTED to appoint Heidrick and Struggles, Inc. as the consultant service firm.

Dr. Mawby reported the search committee will be comprised of eight members of the Board of Trustees and seven members to be nominated by the following groups: one dean from the Council of Deans, two faculty from the Executive Committee of Academic Council, one undergraduate student from the Student Assembly and Academic Assembly, one graduate student from the Council of Graduate Students, one alumnus or alumna from the Alumni Association, and one non-academic administrator from the University Operations Committee.

The subcommittee requested that each group present three nominees by December 1, with six being submitted for faculty representation, so membership can be determined and announced at the December 11 meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Mawby presented a motion, supported by Mr. Shingleton, to approve the procedures and timetable for nomination of committee members.

Mr. Ferguson questioned the diversity of the committee as well as the timetable for nominations. The motion was amended to extend the deadline for nominations to be submitted by December 15 and to schedule a special meeting of the Board in January for the purpose of confirming the composition of the committee. Mr. Weiss supported the motion.

By a show of hands, THE BOARD VOTED to approve a December 15 deadline for submission of nominations and to schedule a special meeting of the Board of Trustees in January to confirm the composition of the committee.

Dr. Guyer emphasized the importance of a new president being in place at the beginning of the school year and financial year, rather than to begin mid-year in the budget cycle.

4. Vice President Wilkinson introduced the resolution regarding authorizing issuance and sale of general revenue bonds, series 1992A in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed $90,000,000. The materials are included with the agenda in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

On a motion by Ms. Sawyer, supported by Dr. Mawby, THE BOARD VOTED to authorize the administration to complete necessary legal steps to consummate the sale of new bonds.
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5. President Guyer announced that Counsel has requested that the Board of Trustees meet in Executive Session for the following purposes:

A. To consult with its attorney regarding trial and strategy in connection with specific pending litigation.

B. To consider with Special Counsel Steven L. Dykema his opinion dated November 10, 1992 concerning legal questions raised in an employee discipline proceeding which opinion is exempt from disclosure under Section 13 (1)(h) of the Michigan Freedom of Information Act.

C. To consider the written opinion of counsel dated November 10, 1992 regarding legal issues related to a personnel matter which opinion is exempt from disclosure under Section 13 (1)(h) of the Michigan Freedom of Information Act.

On a motion by Ms. Cook, supported by Ms. Sawyer, A ROLL CALL VOTE was conducted by Secretary Williams and the motion passed unanimously.

President Guyer announced the Board would go into Executive Session.

6. The Board reconvened for a budget discussion.

7. The meeting was adjourned.

Gordon Guyer
President

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Secretary