Washington State College of Ohio Board of Trustees Special Meeting

April 29, 2024, 4 p.m. Health Room H108 **Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order

Chair Tyler Wilcox called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. in Room H108 of the main building. Lisa Walsh, executive assistant to the president, took roll call and meeting minutes. The following trustees were present: Mr. Bernie Anderson, Ms. Susan Vessels, Mr. Tyler Wilcox, Ms. Lucinda Erickson, Mr. David Vandenberg, and Dr. Joseph Zacharias (via Zoom). Ms. Jodey Altier and Mr. Randy Barengo arrived after roll call.

Others in attendance included: Dr. Vicky Wood (President)

Agenda Approval/Changes

Trustee Susan Vessels moved to amend the agenda to remove the approval of the April 2024 minutes.

Trustee Vessels moved to approve the amended agenda, Trustee Anderson seconded, and the motion passed with a roll call vote.

Ms. Altier	absent	Mr. Vandenberg	Υ
Mr. Anderson	Υ	Ms. Vessels	Υ
Mr. Barengo	absent	Dr. Zacharias	Υ
Ms. Erickson	Υ	Mr. Wilcox	Υ

The April 29, 2024 agenda, as amended, was approved as Resolution R26-24.

Executive Session

Trustee Anderson made a motion to go into Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, or compensation of a public employee or official. Chair Wilcox seconded, and the motion passed with a roll call vote. Dr. Wood was asked to join. The Trustees, along with Dr. Wood, entered the Executive Session at 4:10 p.m.

Ms. Altier	Υ	Mr. Vandenberg	Υ
Mr. Anderson	Υ	Ms. Vessels	Υ
Mr. Barengo	Υ	Dr. Zacharias	Υ
Ms. Erickson	Υ	Mr. Wilcox	Υ

The Trustees moving to Enter Executive Session was approved as Resolution R27-24.

Discussion was held regarding the hiring of Dr. Sarah Parker as interim president. Dr. Sarah Parker was asked to join the meeting. Lisa Walsh connected Dr. Parker to the meeting via video conferencing.

Trustee Anderson made a motion to exit Executive Session, Trustee Erickson seconded, and the motion passed with a roll call vote. The Trustees exited the Executive Session at 4:56 p.m.

Ms. Altier	Υ	Mr. Vandenberg	Υ
Mr. Anderson	Υ	Ms. Vessels	Υ
Mr. Barengo	Υ	Dr. Zacharias	Υ
Ms. Erickson	Υ	Mr. Wilcox	Υ

The Trustees moving to Exit Executive Session was approved as Resolution R28-24.

Trustee Vessels made a motion to hire Dr. Sarah Parker as interim president while the Board of Trustees conducts a national search for WSCO's next president. Trustee Altier seconded, and the motion passed with a roll call vote.

Ms. Altier	Υ	Mr. Vandenberg	Υ
Mr. Anderson	Υ	Ms. Vessels	Υ
Mr. Barengo	Υ	Dr. Zacharias	Υ
Ms. Erickson	Υ	Mr. Wilcox	Υ

The hiring of Dr. Sarah Parker as interim president was approved as Resolution R29-24.

The Board requested President Wood support Chair Wilcox in issuing a memorandum of understanding and supplemental contract to Dr. Sarah Parker to serve as interim president, in addition to her current job responsibilities, effective July 1, 2024 until the hiring of the next president. Dr. Wood will work with Dr. Parker to transition college leadership responsibilities.

Discussion was held to appoint trustees to a Presidential Search Committee to conduct a national search during the 2024-25 academic year to find WSCO's next president. Trustees Jodey Altier, Bernie Anderson, and Randy Barengo were named to the committee. Dr. Wood will research presidential search firms and forward information to the BOT Presidential Search Committee.

Chair Wilcox made a motion to approve the Board of Trustees Presidential Search Committee. Trustee Barengo seconded, and the motion passed with a roll call vote.

Ms. Altier	Υ	Mr. Vandenberg	Υ
Mr. Anderson	Υ	Ms. Vessels	Υ
Mr. Barengo	Υ	Dr. Zacharias	Υ
Ms. Erickson	Υ	Mr. Wilcox	Υ

The appointment of the Board of Trustees Presidential Search Committee was approved as Resolution R30-24.

Adjournment

Trustee Vessels made a motion to adjourn at 4:58 p.m. Trustee Vandenberg seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

Ms. Altier	Υ	Mr. Vandenberg	Υ
Mr. Anderson	Υ	Ms. Vessels	Υ
Mr. Barengo	Υ	Dr. Zacharias	Υ
Ms. Erickson	Υ	Mr. Wilcox	Υ

The Adjournment of the April 29, 2024 special meeting of the WSCC Board of Trustees was approved as Resolution R31-24.

Next meeting – June 10, 2024.

Mr. Tyler Wilcox

Chair

Date

Dr. Vicky Woo

Secretary