

**Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College
Board of Governors Presidential Search Committee
Meeting of March 5, 2020
7:45 a.m.
2900 Dempsey Branch Road, Building C, Room 428
Mount Gay, West Virginia and by Zoom/Teleconference**

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Board Members Present: Lisa Haddox-Heston, Chair; Mason 'Ed' White, Vice Chair; Eddie Joe Canterbury, Secretary; Stephanie Abraham, Bill Alderman, Janice Olive, Howard Seufer (by phone), Samuel Stewart, Dianna Toler

Board Members Absent: Chris Adkins, Jacob Frye

College Staff Present: Emma Baisden, Tom Cook

1. Verification of Quorum and Call to Order

Chair Heston declared a quorum present and convened the meeting at 7:50 a.m.

2. Possible Executive Session under Authority of WV Code §6-9A-4-2A

Chair Heston called for a motion to enter Executive Session under the authority of West Virginia Code §6-9A-4-2A for the following: Interview of semi-finalist presidential candidates and candidate selection for campus visits. Pat Joe White made a motion to enter into Executive Session. Stephanie Abraham seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried and the Board of Governors Presidential Search Committee entered into Executive Session at approximately 7:58 a.m. Chair Heston called for a motion for the Committee to return to open session. Pat Joe White moved to return to regular session. Bill Alderman seconded the motion. The motion carried and the Committee convened in open session at 12:25 p.m.

Chair Heston called for a motion to reenter Executive Session under the authority of West Virginia Code §6-9A-4-2A to continue the following: Interview of semi-finalist presidential candidates and candidate selection for campus visits. Samuel Stewart made a motion to enter into Executive Session. Janice Olive seconded the motion. The motion unanimously carried and the Board of Governors Presidential Search Committee entered into Executive Session at approximately 12:44 p.m. Chair Heston called for a motion for the Committee to return to open session. Eddie Joe Canterbury moved to return to regular session. Dianna Toler seconded the motion. The motion carried and the Committee convened in open session at approximately 3:57 p.m.

3. Finalist Candidate Selection

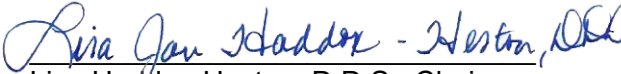
The Board of Governors Presidential Search Committee working under the guidance of the search firm Gold Hills Associates, reviewed and evaluated the application materials of the 12 most promising candidates (unranked) based on the assessment of Dr. Walt Nolte. The Committee determined it would interview seven (7) semi-finalist candidates. Based upon the preliminary interviews, the Search Committee selected the following three (3) unranked semi-finalist candidates for on-campus interviews: Dr. Pamela Alderman of Chapmanville, WV; Mr. Timothy Hood of Freeport, IL; and Dr. Martin Reimer of Iowa Falls, IA. These candidates will be invited on campus for second interviews the week of April 6, 2020.


Dr. Heston presented to the Search Committee members a sample interview schedule for the Presidential finalists. It was determined that Dr. Walt Nolte would contact the presidential finalists to inform them of their selection for a final interview, and Emma Baisden would follow-up with each candidate to schedule a date for on-campus interviews. When interview dates and itineraries are established for presidential finalists, Ms. Baisden will send the information to Board members. The Search Committee determined that following the presidential candidate interviews it would accept comments from students, faculty, staff, and community members through the end of business on Thursday, April 16, 2020. Individuals will be able to submit comments using a comment form which is located on the Presidential Search website or by e-mail to newpresident@southernwv.edu. The Board of Governors Presidential Search Committee will reconvene at 5:00 p.m. on April 22, 2020 to make its selection for the next president of the institution. At its regular scheduled meeting on April 28, 2020, the Board of Governors is expected to approve the selection of a president. The Board's selection decision will require subsequent approval by the West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education at its meeting of June 11, 2020.

Chair Heston informed the group that several Board members serve on another Board that has a required meeting scheduled for April 28, 2020, which conflicts with Southern's Board meeting. She requested for the Board to approve changing its April 28, 2020 Board of Governors business meeting date to April 29, 2020 to allow the participation of the affected Board members. Samuel Stewart motioned to approve changing the April 2020 Board meeting as requested. Pat Joe White seconded the motion. The motion carried. Chair Heston declared the motion adopted and the April meeting date change approved.

4. Adjournment

There being no further business, upon a motion by Mason 'Ed' White and a second by Bill Alderman, Chair Heston declared the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m. The next Board of Governors Presidential Search Committee is scheduled for April 22, 2020 beginning at 5:00 p.m.


Lisa Haddock-Heston, D.D.S., Chair


Emma L. Baisden
Executive Assistant to the President
and Board of Governors

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