

Governance Committee Meeting

CCSNH BOARD OF TRUSTEES Meeting of September 17, 2021

Attending: Trustee Robert Baines, Trustee Hollie Noveletsky (videoconference), NHTI President Gretchen Mullin-Sawicki, Shannon Reid (CCSNH), Tim Allison (CCSNH), Trustee Kathy Shields (Chair), CCSNH Chancellor Mark Rubinstein

Chair Baines called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm in 301 Grappone Hall, NHTI, Concord, NH.

Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2021

VOTE: The Committee, on motion of President Mullin-Sawicki and seconded by Ms. Noveletsky, voted unanimously by roll call to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2021 meetings as written.

Updates on Board Membership

Mr. Daniels has been re-nominated and it is anticipated that Mr. Smith will be re-nominated after a clerical issue regarding his appointment end date is resolved. Ms. Noveletsky's reappointment has been confirmed, and Mr. Ellis will submit a letter to the Governor's Office to express his interest in continuing on the board.

Mr. Allison will provide recommendations for nominees in the healthcare, public, and technology sectors; President Mullin-Sawicki will provide recommendations in the alumni sector.

Board Member Interest Questionnaires

Ms. Shields discussed proposed committee changes, including transitioning the chair of Assets & Resources Committee to Trustee Edwin Smith, moving Trustee Todd Emmons to the Finance Committee to serve as Vice Chair, and considering a transition in chair for Student Success. Ms. Shields proposes transitioning the chair of the Governance Committee to Ms. Noveletsky. Chancellor Rubinstein will consider new committee assignments for presidents.

Board Diversity

NECHE does not have a specific requirement about diversity, but President Mullin-Sawicki suggests the goal will be to aim for board membership to reflect the state's diversity. Discussion followed regarding the best approach for incorporating diversity into the work of the committee and the board.

Ms. Reid will provide more information on diversity of the system.

Board Self-Assessment Survey

ACCT will conduct the next board self-assessment, to be administered at the end of 2021/ beginning of 2022. Ms. Eckner will coordinate.

Ms. Reid suggested adding more open-ended questions and Ms. Mullin-Sawicki suggested adding questions that would collect board diversity information.



Slate of Officers for 2021-2022

The committee reviewed the results of the interest questionnaire distributed to the board in August, for the purpose of recommending a slate of officers to the board at the board meeting in October.

VOTE: The Committee, on motion of President Mullin-Sawicki and seconded by Ms. Noveletsky, voted unanimously by roll call to recommend the following slate of officers to the Board for approval at the October 21, 2021 meeting:

Chair: Kathy Bogle Shields
 Vice Chair: Robert Baines
 Treasurer: Alison Stebbins
 Secretary: Edwin Smith

Other Business

No further business was brought forward. The meeting adjourned at 4:44 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Meghan Eckner
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