

## **Board of Trustees**

# Governance and Nomination Committee Minutes

# President's Boardroom, Horace Mann Center June 7, 2018

Board of Trustees committee members in attendance: Committee Chair Hill, Vice Chair Landrau (by remote participation), Secretary Slakey, and Trustee Hagan.

Excused absence: Trustee Marcus

Trustee guests present: Trustees Magovern, Martin, Queenin, Sullivan and Swan.

Dr. Ramon S. Torrecilha, President of Westfield State University, was also present.

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Hill at 1:45 PM who stated that Committee Vice Chair Landrau would be participating in the meeting remotely and that all votes would be by roll call.

Committee Chair Hill moved forward to agenda item Approval of Minutes and asked for a Motion.

**At 1:46 PM, MOTION** was made by Trustee Landrau, seconded by Trustee Slakey, to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2018 meeting.

### **Roll Call Vote:**

Trustee Hagan Yes
Trustee Slakey Yes
Trustee Landrau Yes
Trustee Hill Yes
Motion passed unanimously.

Committee Chair Hill then welcomed Dr. Diane Prusank, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, who indicated that although it is the Governance and Nomination Committee's responsibility to present the slate of officers to the full Board, the committee asked for input on the nominations from Board members and gathered feedback. There was a clear direction to give to the committee to bring to the Board. The slate of officers that will be presented for vote will be Trustee Queenin as Chair, Trustee Slakey as Vice Chair, and Trustee Landrau as Secretary. Those nominated are eligible to be nominated and are willing to accept their office on the Board. The committee does not have to vote on the slate of officers, just present to the full board.

It was questioned whether there was an update on the Trustee reappointments from the Governor's office, since three Trustees' terms expire in March 2019. We are waiting to hear from Boston about the new process. There is some interest for the chairs of boards to have the conversation with the Board of Higher

Education to bring this question on procedure to the Governor's office. At a previous committee meeting, skill sets in the profile of the Board were identified and a subcommittee needs to start work on this issue.

There being no further business, at 1:56 PM, Trustee Slakey made the **MOTION** to adjourn, which was seconded by Trustee Landrau.

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

Trustee Hagan Yes
Trustee Slakey Yes
Trustee Landrau Yes
Trustee Hill Yes
Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:56 PM.

Attachments presented at this meeting:

- a. Minutes of February 15, 2018 Meeting
- b. Proposed Slate of Officers for 2018-2019 Academic Year