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MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MAINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

ZOOM Meeting

Thursday, August 12, 2021

Board Members Present: William Cassidy, Chair, Beth Anne Lorigan, Vice Chair, Valerie

Bilogue Minkala, Peter DelGreco, Patricia Duran, Mark Fourre, Kossi Gamedah, Jean Ginn Marvin, Joyce Maker, Michael Michaud,

Anne Roosevelt, and Commissioner Laura Fortman

Absent: Kathie Leonard, Emily Smith, and Commissioner Pender Makin

Other Staff Present: David Daigler, President and Secretary, Bonnie Brown, Clerk, Janet

Sortor, VP & CAO, Rob Nadeau, Chief Counsel Labor &

Employment, Noel Gallagher, Director of Communications and Public Affairs, Amy Homans, General Counsel, Becky Smith,

Director of Government Affairs

Chair Cassidy asked attendees to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance and for each attendee to introduce themselves. Upon determination that a quorum of Trustees was present and no requests from the public to address the Board of Trustees had been received, the meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m.

President Daigler provided updates on fall college opening plans, including hybrid offerings, enrollment trends, and housing plans and availability, noting MCCS will offer diverse learning options for students this fall with robust offerings in online, in-person and hybrid opportunities for our students. The colleges plans are continually evolving based on the colleges learnings from academic year 2020/2021 together with current enrollment trends and the impact of the pandemic.

With the surge in COVID cases in Maine, President Daigler requested the board consider a vaccine protocol for all students and trainees at all community colleges for those attending in person classes.

Amy Homans, General Counsel, provided further details on the proposed protocol including whom it applies, timing, notification requirements, mask requirements, and other details. She noted staff and faculty are not included in the protocol as it is a negotiable item and will be discussed during the negotiations process.

After further discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved to:

RESOLVE:

Effective immediately, as a condition of enrollment and attendance, all students, with the exception of students enrolled exclusively in on-line courses who will not be physically accessing MCCS owned or controlled indoor spaces, shall provide proof of vaccination against COVID-19, subject to the medical exemption recognized under applicable laws. Students will be required to provide proof of receipt of at least one dose of a vaccine prior to attending their first in-person class and provide proof of any required second dose no later than 30 days from that date. This requirement will remain in effect for the duration of the 2021-22 academic year. As roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business to be addressed by the Trustees, the meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

David Daigler

President & Secretary

Maine Community College System

William Cassidy

Chair of the Board of Trustees

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