

## TRUSTEE CANDIDATE ADVISORY COUNCIL

### MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, March 3, 2010

1:30 p.m.

Room 500 North, State Office Building

#### **Present:**

Kent Eklund, Chair  
Nancy Black  
Marilyn Cathcart  
Yvonne Condell  
Carl Crimmins  
John Dorn  
Dean Doyscher  
Zainab Hassan  
Sonia Mayo Hohnadel  
Timothy Huebsch  
Janet Lekson  
Lisa Peilen  
Earl Rasmussen  
Carolyn Williams  
Billie Young

#### **Absent:**

Joe Aitken  
Nimco Ahmed  
Donovan Bailey  
Del Jenkins  
Kelley Koemptgen  
Liz Kuoppala  
David Larkin  
Bruce Watkins

The Trustee Candidate Advisory (TCAC) was called to order by Kent Eklund, TCAC Chair, at 1:36 pm. A quorum was present.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Earl Rasmussen moved approval of the minutes from the January 5, 2010 meeting. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

#### **Review of Procedures for Selection of Interviewees**

Mr. Eklund reviewed the process by which candidates would be selected for an interview. He reminded members the numbers assigned to each candidate were to be used in the coming discussions to protect the anonymity of the applicants. Mr. Eklund further reminded members that the Council must recommend at least two and not more than four candidates per open seat on the Board.

Members were reminded of the selection process. It was agreed the Council would discuss the 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> congressional candidates first, followed by the at-large candidates. It was also agreed that if members agreed by unanimous consensus to interview a given candidate, that candidate would be interviewed. If any Council member expressed a reservation about any of the candidates, those candidates would go into a pool to be discussed and voted upon.

#### **Selection of Interviewees**

The Council discussed candidates and reached consensus on some, then voted on those who were not consensus selections. After discussion and voting, the Council selected the following 12 people to be interviewed:

**First District:** Duane Benson and Curtis Fisher

**Eighth District:** Edward Anderson, Thomas Renier and JoAnn Roche

**At-Large:** John Knight, Fannie Primm, William Betten, Janet Mohr, Kevin Manbeck, Julie Brunner and Jesse Bethke Gomez.

**Notification of Interviewees/Reference Checks: Volunteers to Call**

Members volunteered to call and congratulate an applicant selected for an interview and each member would also conduct the reference check for that applicant. It was explained the reference checks need not be limited to individuals given as references, but may also include individuals the applicant worked with professionally or on other boards. Reference check guidelines were provided to the members.

**Interviews: Procedure Details/Dates**

It was decided that since only 12 candidates would be interviewed the Council would only need two days to conduct the interviews. Interviews will be held on Wednesday, April 7, 2010 and Thursday, April 8, 2010. The Council will meet in Executive Session prior to interviews each day to discuss the reference checks. The length of time for interviews was reviewed and discussed.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

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Kent Eklund, Chair