



BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Nominations and Bylaws Committee Meeting
Wednesday, December 11, 2024 – 8:00 am

MINUTES

Board Members Present: Ilissa Povich, Gary Prado, Diane Schmalensee

Board Members Not Present: Sandy Lish

Staff Members Present: Karen Britton, Executive Director, Office of the President; David Podell, President; Jeremy Solomon, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Marketing, and Communications

CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

Committee Chair Povich called the meeting to order and declared that a quorum was present.

NOVEMBER 1 MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Trustee Schmalensee moved to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2024, meeting, and Trustee Prado seconded the motion.

The motion passed via the following roll call vote: Trustee Povich – YES; Trustee Prado – YES; Trustee Schmalensee – YES

CURRENT TRUSTEE CHARACTERISTICS GRID

President Podell reported that the MassBay Board of Trustees had two open Alumni/ae Trustee positions, Elected and Appointed. Alfonso Hidalgo was voted Elected Trustee by the MassBay Alumni/ae Board in April 2024. Rebecca Negreli, a former MassBay Student Trustee who graduated from Tufts University, was recommended by MassBay for Appointed Trustee several months ago. The Public Education Nomination Council (PENC) is considering her nomination at its December 18 meeting. It is hoped she will be appointed in time for the February meeting, at which time former Appointed Trustee Pyrtel will also be recognized.

President Podell recommended creating a Chair Emeritus position to honor MassBay Board of Trustees Chairs for all they have done for the College. He will contact Legal Counsel Gina Yarbrough to determine if any of the other Community Colleges have such a position.

The grid showing the characteristics of current Trustees will be reviewed at the next meeting. It will be put into Excel and PDF format, as well as updated to highlight the two Trustees whose terms are ending in March and include a summary of the highest and lowest numbers in each category of Functional Expertise and Occupation.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be either January 22, 2025 at 9:00 am or January 23, 2025 at 8:00 am.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Trustee Schmalensee moved to adjourn the meeting, and Trustee Prado seconded.

The motion passed via the following roll call vote: Trustee Povich – YES; Trustee Prado – YES; Trustee Schmalensee – YES

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 am.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ilissa Povich", written in dark ink on a light background.

Ilissa Povich, Trustee 1/22/25
Nominations & Bylaws Committee Chair