LAKE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING called at the request of Steve Ellis, Kay Malec and Jerrie Lee Rispoli Thursday January 5, 2023 – 5:30 PM Holden University Center Room 119

I. CALL TO ORDER AND SELECTION OF CHAIR PRO TEM

The Lake County Community College District Board of Trustees regular meeting was called to order by Mr. Ellis at 5:32 p.m.

Mr. Ellis made a motion to appoint Mrs. Vitaz as Chair Pro Tem for the meeting. Mrs. Kessler seconded the motion which passed as follows:

Mr. Jack Cornachio - yes Mr. Stephen Ellis - yes Mr. Matthew Hebebrand - yes Mrs. Ellen Foley Kessler – yes Ms. Janet Majka - yes Dr. Kathleen Malec - yes Mrs. Jerrie Lee Rispoli - yes Mr. Paul Rupert – yes Mrs. Beverly Vitaz - yes

Mrs. Vitaz appointed Pam Clark as acting Secretary for the purpose of taking minutes for this meeting.

II. OATH OF OFFICE

Mr. Hackenberg administered the oaths of office to Mr. Jack Cornachio, Mr. Paul Rupert, and Mrs. Beverly Vitaz. Mr. Cornachio and Mr. Rupert were appointed by the Governor's office to the seats vacated by Mr. Tyler and Mr. Frager respectively. Mrs. Vitaz was reappointed by the Governor's office.

III. ROLL CALL

At the chair's request, roll was taken, and the following Trustees were present:

Mr. Jack Cornachio Mr. Stephen Ellis Mr. Matthew Hebebrand Mrs. Ellen Foley Kessler Ms. Janet Majka Dr. Kathleen Malec Mrs. Jerrie Lee Rispoli Mr. Paul Rupert Mrs. Beverly Vitaz

Also in attendance were: Dr. Laura Barnard, executive vice president and provost; Mike Mayher, executive vice president for administrative services and treasurer; Dawn Plante, chief communications officer and vice president for community and college relations; Greg Sanders, vice president for institutional advancement and executive director of The Lakeland Foundation; Mike Fisher, vice president and general counsel; Jim Hackenberg, legal consultant, Leah Konopka, executive assistant to the president and special project lead, Amy Sabath, director for government relations and nonprofit center; and Pam Clark, office manager.

IV. REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE, NOMINATIONS AND SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Mrs. Vitaz asked for motions from the nominating committee. Mrs. Kessler remarked that all procedures were followed at the advice of counsel and that Mr. Hackenberg advised that the committee should not meet until the two new appointments were made to the Board. Based on his advice, she stated that nominations would be taken from the floor.

Mrs. Vitaz asked for nominations from the floor for the position of Board Chair. Mr. Ellis nominated Mrs. Rispoli for the position of Board Chair and Ms. Majka nominated Mrs. Kessler for the position of Board Chair. Mrs. Kessler respectfully declined the nomination. Mrs. Vitaz asked if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, Mrs. Vitaz closed the nominations and asked for the roll call to appoint Mrs. Rispoli as Chair which passed as follows:

Mr. Jack Cornachio - yes Mr. Stephen Ellis - yes Mr. Matthew Hebebrand - no Mrs. Ellen Foley Kessler – yes Ms. Janet Majka - yes Dr. Kathleen Malec - yes Mrs. Jerrie Lee Rispoli - yes Mr. Paul Rupert – yes Mrs. Beverly Vitaz - yes

Mrs. Vitaz asked for nominations for the position of Vice Chair. Mrs. Rispoli nominated Mr. Ellis for the position of Vice Chair and Ms. Majka nominated Dr. Malec for the position of Vice Chair. Mrs. Vitaz asked if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, Mrs. Vitaz closed the nominations and asked for the roll call which was as follows:

Mr. Jack Cornachio - Ellis Mr. Stephen Ellis - Ellis Mr. Matthew Hebebrand - Malec Mrs. Ellen Foley Kessler – Ellis Ms. Janet Majka - Malec Dr. Kathleen Malec - Malec Mrs. Jerrie Lee Rispoli - Ellis Mr. Paul Rupert – Ellis Mrs. Beverly Vitaz - Ellis

Mrs. Vitaz congratulated Mr. Ellis on becoming the new Vice Chair. Mrs. Vitaz announced that the appointments would commence immediately and Mrs. Rispoli and Mr. Ellis would serve in their positions for the remainder of this meeting.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION (to consider employment matters related to the college president, including naming an individual as president or acting president)

Mrs. Rispoli called for a motion to enter into executive session. Mr. Hebebrand made a point of privilege and moved that Resolution 01-23 be sent to the personnel committee for discussion prior to any Board vote. The vote did not pass as follows:

Mr. Jack Cornachio - no	Dr. Kathleen Malec - no
Mr. Stephen Ellis - no	Mrs. Jerrie Lee Rispoli - no
Mr. Matthew Hebebrand - yes	Mr. Paul Rupert – no
Mrs. Ellen Foley Kessler – yes	Mrs. Beverly Vitaz - yes
Ms. Janet Majka - yes	

Mr. Hebebrand moved to constitute the Board as a Committee of the Whole in order to discuss Resolution 01-23. Mr. Hackenberg advised that the Board can enter into executive session as the Board. Mr. Hebebrand withdrew the motion.

Mrs. Rupert made a motion to enter into executive session. Mrs. Kessler seconded the motion, which passed as follows:

Mr. Jack Cornachio - yes Mr. Stephen Ellis - yes Mr. Matthew Hebebrand - yes Mrs. Ellen Foley Kessler – yes Ms. Janet Majka - yes Dr. Kathleen Malec - yes Mrs. Jerrie Lee Rispoli - yes Mr. Paul Rupert – yes Mrs. Beverly Vitaz - yes

The executive session began at 5:59 p.m.

Mrs. Rispoli called for a motion to end the executive session. Mr. Cornachio moved to end the executive session and resume the special meeting. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion which passed and the special meeting resumed at 8:04 p.m.

VI. RESOLUTION

Resolution 01-23 - A Resolution Authorizing The Chairman Of The Board Of Trustees To Enter Into An Employment Contract With Dr. Morris W. Beverage, Jr. For The Position Of College President

Mrs. Rispoli asked for a motion to adopt Resolution 01-23. Mr. Ellis moved and Dr. Malec seconded the motion to adopt Resolution 01-23. The motion passed as follows:

Mr. Jack Cornachio - yes Mr. Stephen Ellis - yes Mr. Matthew Hebebrand - no Mrs. Ellen Foley Kessler – abstain Ms. Janet Majka - no Dr. Kathleen Malec - yes Mrs. Jerrie Lee Rispoli - yes Mr. Paul Rupert – yes Mrs. Beverly Vitaz - no

Mrs. Kessler asked for the minutes to reflect that she read from Dr. Beverage's letter where he stated that the forecast for fiscal years 23, 24 and 25 caused concern about the uncertainty of the days ahead and he had proposed his salary be frozen to help protect tuition levels for our students. Mrs. Kessler also stated that Vice President Mayher told us of this uncertain future and because of this uncertainty she is abstaining.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Rispoli called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Hebebrand moved and Dr. Malec seconded the motion which passed as follows:

Mr. Jack Cornachio - yes Mr. Stephen Ellis - yes Mr. Matthew Hebebrand - yes Mrs. Ellen Foley Kessler – yes Ms. Janet Majka - yes Dr. Kathleen Malec - yes Mrs. Jerrie Lee Rispoli - yes Mr. Paul Rupert – yes Mrs. Beverly Vitaz - yes

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 PM.

February 2, 2023

APPROVED:

LAKE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Board Chair By Rigidi

ATTEST: **Board Secretary**