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**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES
PHILIPS BOARD ROOM - PHILIPS MEMORIAL BUILDING
WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
DECEMBER 16, 2016
12:00 P.M.**

The special meeting of the Council of Trustees of West Chester University of Pennsylvania was held on December 16, 2016, in the Philips Memorial Building, 3rd floor Board Room.

AGENDA ITEM I – CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chair Matlawski (on behalf of Chair Fillippo) called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance to the flag at 12:04 p.m. Members present were: Dozor, Silberman, and Long. Members by conference call were: Franklin, Ireland, Lewis, Fillippo, Moskowitz, Matlawski, and Tomlinson. Absent, but accounted for, was Member Kinsey.

The Vice Chair Matlawski convened the meeting (on behalf of Chair Tom Fillippo), and asked Member Dozor to report on behalf of the Presidential Search Committee.

AGENDA ITEM II – REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE:

Member Dozor, Chair of the Presidential Search Committee, reported on behalf of the committee. Member Dozor reported that this public meeting announcement was advertised in the Daily Local News, as well on the WCU

website on the Trustees' webpage, and the announcement of the meeting was posted outside and inside of the Philips Memorial Building.

Member Dozor reported that the committee conducted an intensive and exhaustive search and interview process for two candidates to recommend to the Chancellor in accordance with Board of Governors' policy 1983-13-A, *Process for Recommending Presidential Appointment*.

Member Dozor stated that the committee had two unranked names to recommend to Chancellor Brogan, and he announced those names as follows: Dr. Christopher M. Fiorentino; Dr. Cady Short-Thompson.

Member Dozor made the following motion for consideration and action by the Council of Trustees:

MOTION (DOZOR/MOSKOWITZ):

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY FORWARDS THE FOLLOWING TWO CANDIDATES' NAMES, UNRANKED, FOR THE POSITION OF PRESIDENT OF WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY TO CHANCELLOR FRANK T. BROGAN FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACCORDING THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS' POLICY 1983-13-A.

**Dr. Christopher M. Fiorentino
Dr. Cady Short-Thompson**

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Roll Call Vote

Yes	No
Fillippo	
Matlawski	
Moskowitz	
Dozor	
Lewis	
Silberman	
Tomlinson	
Franklin	
Ireland	
Long	

Member Dozor congratulated everyone with the following remarks:

“While the process of finding a new President for our University has been interesting and time consuming, what has made the experience enjoyable to me as the Chair of the Committee was working with so many wonderful people as we searched for a new President. I would like to give special thanks to:

- Each member of the Search Committee for their time, dedication, and commitment to completing this phase of the search process. They were a frontline, formative, and professional group who showed respect for each other, who listened to each other, who compromised with each other, and who worked in tandem to deliver us to this conclusion.
- I want to thank Dr. John Villella who was dedicated, determined and very helpful to us through the process. He was available to us 24/7 and

was dependable and has been an excellent colleague and partner in this challenge.

- In addition, the University and the Search Committee has been well served with the high level of organizational skill and recruitment expertise provided by Jan Greenwood of Greenwood/Asher and Associates, Inc. search consultants.
- The resourcefulness and guidance provided by Vice Chancellor Peter Garland was very appreciated.
- The superb administrative support provided by Marion Frenche of Greenwood/Asher and Associates, went well beyond the call of duty.
- I also wish to extend my thanks to President Jody Harpster of Shippensburg University of PA for his wise counsel and to West Chester University's internal and external constituency groups for their active participation in this important process.
- Finally, I want to thank our students, faculty, staff, alumni and Foundation personnel for their participation and active engagement.

I also want to thank the University community as a whole and all of our external constituent groups who have been engaged and welcomed our presidential prospects. Your input over the past weeks was invaluable; your support was even more valued.

Our Parliamentarian, Dr. Kevin Dean, suggested that we turn to the public to give them the opportunity to speak. Is there any comment at this time? No one asked to speak so we will move on.”

AGENDA ITEM III – REPORT OF THE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON:

Vice Chair Matlawski gave the following remarks: “On behalf of the entire University Community and especially on behalf of Chair Fillippo, I would like to express our appreciation and gratitude to the members of the search committee for their tireless and diligent work to bring the search for the next President of West Chester University to fruition. We are very proud and very thankful for the committee’s work and dedication throughout this process.

A special ‘thank you’ is given to Member Dozor who provided outstanding leadership and tireless work during this entire process. I know that the Council of Trustees agree with the search committee that we are all very grateful to Dr. John Vilella for his hard work and efforts which have been noted by everyone.”

Member Dozor was given the floor. He reported that he and Member Tomlinson have been invited to the Board of Governors’ meeting on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 to share our thoughts regarding the two candidates. Member Dozor thanked Member Tomlinson for attending at that upcoming meeting. Member Tomlinson thanked Member Dozor for his good work as the Chair of the Presidential Search Committee.

AGENDA ITEM IV – ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION (TOMLINSON/IRELAND):

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 12:30 P.M.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Respectfully submitted,



Marian Moskowitz
Secretary

Acknowledgment of signature

Colleen Novak 12-16-16

