

TRUSTEE CANDIDATE ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

April 7 & 8, 2010

Room 300 North, State Office Building

Present:

Kent Eklund, Chair
Nimco Ahmed (April 8)
Donavan Bailey
Nancy Black
Marilyn Cathcart
Yvonne Condell
Carl Crimmins
John Dorn
Zainab Hassan
Sonia Mayo Hohnadel
Tim Huebsch
Dave Larkin
Janet Lekson
Earl Rasmusson
Carolyn Williams

Excused:

Nimco Ahmed (April 7)
Joe Aitken
Kelley Koemptgen
Liz Kuoppala
Lisa Peilen
Billie Young

Wednesday, April 2nd – Business Meeting at 8:00 a.m.

The Trustee Candidate Advisory (TCAC) was called to order by Kent Eklund, TCAC Chair, at 8:07 a.m. in Room 300 North of the State Office Building. A quorum was present.

Reference Check Reports

The public meeting was closed and members met in executive session for the purpose of reviewing candidate reference checks. Mr. Eklund concluded the executive session and reopened the meeting to the public.

Review interview format and voting procedures

Mr. Eklund reviewed the agenda and the interview process. Members would greet and introduce the interviewees for which they were assigned to do reference checks. The candidate would be allowed three to five minutes for an opening statement, the council would then ask questions, and the interview would conclude with the candidate's two-minute closing statement. Mr. Eklund pointed out to members that their packets included a list of possible questions to ask interviewees. Interviews started at 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, April 7th

Julie Brunner
Tom Renier
Ed Anderson
JoAnn Roche
Curt Fisher
Duane Benson
Bill Betten
Jesse Bethke Gomez

Upon conclusion of the interviews, the meeting adjourned for the day at 5:30 pm.

Thursday, April 8th – Business Meeting at 8:15 a.m.

Mr. Eklund reviewed the interview schedule for the day.

Approval of the Minutes

Yvonne Condell moved approval of the March 3, 2010 meeting minutes. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

Reference Check Reports

The public meeting was closed and members met in executive session for the purpose of reviewing candidate reference checks. Mr. Eklund concluded executive session and reopened the meeting to the public for the candidate interviews at 8:30 am.

Thursday, April 3rd

Fannie Primm
Kevin Manbeck
Janet Mohr
John Knight

The interviews concluded at 12:15 p.m. Members took a short break before voting.

Discussion and Voting

Mr. Eklund reviewed the voting procedures and reminded members that they must have heard an interview to vote for a candidate on the first ballot.

The following names would be recommended to Governor Pawlenty:

<u>At-Large</u>	<u>1st Congressional District</u>	<u>8th Congressional District</u>
Bill Betten	Duane Benson	Tom Renier
Jesse Bethke Gomez		JoAnn Roche
Janet Mohr		

Members were asked to contact the interviewees to inform them of the council's recommendations.

Mr. Eklund requested members e-mail staff any suggestions or comments they have on the interview process.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.