

Minutes Edison State College District Board of Trustees Special Meeting Lee Campus – Building AA, Room 177 June 1, 2012 8:00 a.m.



Call to Order

The District Board of Trustees of Edison State College met in special session in Lee County, Florida, on June 1, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. with the meeting called to order by Ann Berlam, Chair.

Present:

Ann Berlam, Chair

Marjorie Starnes-Bilotti, Vice Chair

Brian Chapman, Jr. Dr. Randall Parrish, Jr.

Julia Perry Braxton Rhone Christopher Vernon

Sankey E. "Eddie" Webb, III

Others:

J. Dudley Goodlette, J.D., Interim District President

June Hollingshead, Recorder

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Agenda Item # 1. Interview of Final Candidates for Edison State College District
President

The interview of final candidates for the position of Edison State College District President took place according to the schedule below.

8:30 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.

Dr. Joseph Sarnovsky

9:30 a.m. - 10:20 a.m.

Dr. Jeffery Allbritten

10:30 a.m. – 11:20 a.m.

Dr. Eugene Giovannini

Mrs. Berlam asked each candidate an opening question regarding how they would address the concerns, needs and issues they had heard about facing Edison State College during their first 100 days in office. The Board members then followed with individual questions. Finally, each candidate was given the opportunity to present wrapup comments.

Lunch

The Board recessed at 11:20 a.m. for lunch, and reconvened at 12:00 p.m.

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Agenda Item #2. Board Deliberations and Selection Process

Mrs. Berlam opened the floor for Board members to discuss the final candidates and deliberate on the selection of the next District President of Edison State College. In response to Chris Vernon's request to determine the top two candidates, Mrs. Berlam asked the Board members to name their top two candidates (see results below).

Presidential Candidates	Joe Sarnovsky	Jeffery Allbritten	Eugene Giovannini
Board Members			
Berlam, Ann	X	X	
Chapman, Brian		Х	X
Parrish, Randall	Х	Х	
Perry, Julia	X	X	
Rhone, Braxton	Х	Х	
Starnes-Bilotti, Marjorie	X	X	
Vernon, Christopher	Х	X	
Webb, "Eddie"	X	X	
TOTAL	7	8	1

The Board continued further discussion.

MOTION by Marjorie Starnes-Bilotti, seconded by Eddie Webb, to offer Jeffery Allbritten the District Presidency of Edison State College.

Mrs. Berlam called for discussion and comments, followed by a roll call vote to hire Dr. Jeffery Allbritten as District President of Edison State College (see results below).

ROLL CALL VOTE

Board Members	Jeffery Allbritten	
Berlam, Ann	Yes	
Chapman, Brian	Yes	
Parrish, Randall	Yes	
Perry, Julia	Yes	
Rhone, Braxton	Yes	
Starnes-Bilotti, Marjorie	Yes	
Vernon, Christopher	Yes	
Webb, "Eddie"	Yes	

The roll call vote was unanimous.

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MOTION by Eddie Webb, seconded by Chris Vernon, to authorize President Goodlette and Mrs. Berlam, Board Chair, to extend to Dr. Jeff Allbritten a Board of Trustees offer than includes an annual salary of \$265,000 according to the methodology adopted at the May 22, 2012 Board meeting, plus an automobile allowance of \$1,000 per month, and including all normal and customary benefits afforded to all College employees; and further, to include that President Goodlette and the Chair prepare an employment contract with the usual terms and conditions of employment for presentation to the District Board of Trustees as soon as possible.

Mrs. Berlam opened the floor for discussion. Braxton Rhone, referring to the methodology adopted at the May 22, 2012 Board meeting, noted that the midpoint of the salary range was \$263,850.

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION by Braxton Rhone, to use the amount of \$263,850 as the amount to begin negotiations with Dr. Allbritten in order to comply with the adopted methodology. Mr. Webb accepted this amendment to his motion and Mr. Vernon as seconder of motion also accepted it with the following provision that President Goodlette and Chair Berlam are authorized with the latitude and flexibility to negotiate within the stated methodology range. Mrs. Berlam requested that the following negotiable annual amounts be entered into the record for purposes of transparency: a base salary of \$263,850; employee benefits of \$75,558; and, an autoallowance of \$12,000, for a total of \$351,408. Mr. Vernon requested that it be noted that Mrs. Berlam would be in charge of negotiations and decision-making with the help and assistance of President Goodlette. Motion approved unanimously.

Mrs. Berlam noted that the Board of Trustees will have to approve the final negotiated contract whether it be at the next meeting on June 26, 2012, or sooner.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

J. Dudley Goodlette, J.D. Interim District President District Board of Trustees

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Ann Berlam, Chair District Board of Trustees

Date