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Meeting Agenda

May 22, 2010

10:00 a.m.

Type of Meeting: Special Board of Trustees Meeting
Meeting Facilitator: Chairman James Lindgren
Invitees: Board of Trustees

- I. **Call to order:**
- II. **Roll call:**
- III. **Approval of Agenda:**
- IV. **Approval of Minutes:** May 17, 2010 & May 22, 2010
- V. **Old Business:**
 - A. **Board of Director Position**
- VI. **New Business:**
- VII. **Other Business:**
- VIII. **Next Meeting:**
- IX. **Adjournment:**

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1 **Turtle Mountain Community College**
2 **Board of Trustees Meeting**
3 **May 22, 2010**
4 **10:00 a.m.**

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6 **OFFICIAL MINUTES**

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8 **Board of Trustees Present:** Jim Lindgren, John Frederick, Yvonne St.Claire, Dwight Trottier,
9 Coreena Patnaude, Theresa Rivard

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11 **Board of Directors Present:** Barbara Poitra

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13 **Board of Trustees Absent:** Janice Azure, David Brien, Donna Azure, Troy DeCoteau

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15 **Others Present:** Thomas Disselhorst, Dr. Jim Davis

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17 **I. Call to Order:** Chairman Lindgren called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

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19 **II. Roll Call:** Dr. Jim Davis performed roll call.

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21 **III. Approval of Agenda:** Chairman Lindgren asked for the motion to approve the agenda.
22 Yvonne St. Claire made the motion to approve the agenda. John Frederick seconded the
23 motion. Roll call taken. All were in favor. Motion carried.

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25 **IV. Approval of Minutes:** No minutes to approve at this time.

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27 **V. OLD BUSINESS:**

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29 **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

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31 **A. Review Board of Trustees By-Laws with Thomas Disselhorst:**

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33 Chairman Lindgren turned the meeting over to Dr. Jim Davis to introduce Mr.
34 Disselhorst to the board. Dr. Davis introduced Mr. Disselhorst and the Board of Trustees
35 members introduced themselves. Theresa Davis introduced herself and stated that she
36 has been on the board for 31 years. Jim Lindgren has been on the board for 21 years,
37 Dwight Trottier has been on the board for 22 years, John Frederick has been on the board
38 for 38 years, Yvonne has been on the board for 17 years and Coreena Patnaude serves as
39 a student representative.

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41 Barbara Poitra entered the meeting at 10:18 a.m. She stated that she was there
42 representing Ronald Peltier, Board of Directors Chairman. Mr. Disselhorst asked if all
43 Board of Directors were invited and Dr. Davis responded "yes". Dr. Davis asked Barbara
44 Poitra to introduce herself. Mr. Disselhorst began the overview of the session.
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46 Discussion was held on accreditation and its criteria. Discussion was held on how it
47 should relate to the mission of the college. 2013 Accreditation visit was discussed.
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49 The next item of discussion was on the Board of Trustees by-laws. Do there need to be
50 changes made? Should the mission of TMCC be put into the by-laws?
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52 Discussion was held regarding the Board of Directors roles. They are appointed by the
53 Board of Trustees. Is the Board of Trustees allowed to remove a Board of Directors
54 member when they are not fulfilling their duties or for cause?
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56 TMCC needs to follow the laws set forth by the Higher Learning commission. They also
57 need to follow state laws and federal laws.
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59 The seven teachings need to be recognized, not necessarily in the by-laws, but out in the
60 public where people are made aware that they are a part of TMCC.
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62 Discussion was held with each board member and what they thought about the discussion
63 today. The college needs to remain stable. Should there be discussion with the Tribal
64 Council about this meeting? The Board of Trustees members feel that they should
65 present information to the Tribal Council about today's meeting. Barbara Poitra felt that
66 the two Board of Trustees members that are liaisons should present the information to the
67 Tribal Council.
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69 The board discussed the Directors and Officers liabilities. The board is covered as long
70 as they act in good faith.
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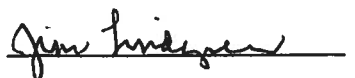
72 Coreena Patnaude stated that the students were concerned about obtaining their degrees
73 in regards to the accreditation. Are all courses transferrable should a student want to
74 transfer for a four year degree. A suggestion was made that maybe students need to have
75 a complaint policy. Mr. Disselhorst gave some examples as to a possible panel such as
76 two Board of Trustees members and two Board of Directors members. There would need
77 to be criteria set up.
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79 A suggestion was made that the Board of Trustees should also review and approve the
80 Board of Director's policies.
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82 **VII. Other Business:**
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84 **VIII. Next Meeting:**
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86 **IX. Adjournment:** Chairman Lindgren asked for the motion to adjourn. Yvonne St.
87 Claire made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Dwight Trottier. All were in favor.
88 Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.
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91 **Jim Lindgren, Chairman**

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91 **Wanda Laducer, Appointed Board Secretary**