A special meeting of the Idaho State Board of Education was held via Zoom teleconference May 6, 2022, with the call originating from North Idaho College Campus, Coeur d’Alene, ID. Board President Kurt Liebich called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. (PT).

Present

Kurt Liebich, President  Cally J. Roach
Dr. Linda Clark, Vice-President  Cindy Siddoway
Dr. David Hill, Secretary  Superintendent Sherri Ybarra
Shawn Keough

Absent

William G. Gilbert, Jr.

Friday, May 6, 2022 1:00 p.m. (Pacific Time) 2:00 p.m. (Mountain Time)

PLANNING, POLICY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

1. North Idaho College - Board of Trustees – Action Item

Board President Liebich, Dr. Linda Clark and Dr. David Hill gave an overview of why the Idaho State Board of Education became part of this process.

On January 12, 2022, Michael Barnes (zone 5) announced his resignation from the North Idaho College Board of Trustees, effective immediately. On April 6, 2022, the Board of Trustees failed to select a new trustee to represent Zone 5. On April 8, 2022, Trustees Christie Wood (zone 1) and Ken Howard (zone 2) announced their intent to resign from the Board, effective May 3, 2022. These resignations occurred on May 3.

With the resignation of three trustees, a majority of the positions on the North Idaho College Board of Trustees were vacant. Pursuant to Idaho Code § 33-2106(2), “if by reason of vacancies there remain on the [community college] board less than a majority
of the required number of members, appointment to fill such vacancies shall be made by the state board of education."

On April 12, 2022, the Board issued a public call for candidates to serve on North Idaho College Board of Trustees for Zones 1, 2 and 5. Cover letters and résumés of interested applicants were collected through April 25, 2022. Thirty-seven individuals applied.

The executive officers of the State Board, comprised of Board President Kurt Liebich, Vice President Dr. Linda Clark, and Secretary Dr. Dave Hill, formed a subcommittee of the Board to review applicants’ resumes, select finalists from each zone to be interviewed, and bring forward a recommendation to the full Board. The subcommittee conducted interviews of finalists at North Idaho College on May 5, 2022. The interviews were streamed live for the public to observe.

The subcommittee then provided the full Board their recommendations for who should fill the three open positions which are being considered at today’s Special Board meeting.

Appointment to fill the current vacancies on the Board of Trustees will allow North Idaho College to address several critical issues, including hiring a new president and responding to accreditation requirements of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.

By law, appointed trustees “shall serve until the next trustee election, at which time [their] successor shall be elected for the unexpired term.” Thus, the three appointed trustees will serve until November 2022. The three appointed members may choose to run in the November election for the seats to which they are appointed.

**BOARD ACTION**

M/S (Clark / Hill) I move to appoint the following individuals to the North Idaho College Board of Trustees. Dr. David Wold Zone 1, John Goedde Zone 2, and Peter Broschet Zone 5. With all terms to be effective immediately. A roll call vote was taken, the motion carried 7-0. William G. Gilbert, Jr. was absent from voting.

There were no comments or questions from the Board.

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was entertained.

M/S (Hill / Keough) I move to adjourn the meeting at 1:10 p.m. (PT). A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried 7-0. William G. Gilbert, Jr. was absent from voting.