



**MIRACOSTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
One Barnard Drive, Oceanside, CA**

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

**FEBRUARY 15, 2024
(APPROVED MARCH 14, 2024)**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees of the MiraCosta Community College District met in open session on Thursday, February 15, 2024, in room T-200. President Rick Cassar called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

II. FLAG SALUTE / ROLL CALL

Board members present:

Rick Cassar	Frank Merchat
Raye Clendening	Anna Pedroza
George McNeil	Jacqueline Simon

Administrators present:

Superintendent/President Sunny Cooke
Assistant Superintendent/Vice President Charlie Ng
Assistant Superintendent/Vice President Denée Pescarmona
Assistant Superintendent/Vice President Alketa Wojcik

III. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS ON AND NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

IV. PROCESS DISCUSSION

Trustee Cassar described in public the interview and rating process and procedure prior to the candidate interviews.

V. CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS

A. The board interviewed candidates Mike Blessing, Gabriela Jimenez, Graciela Redgate, and Heather Conklin individually.

VI. VOTING

In accordance with the process described and read in public, each trustee remained in their seat and rated the candidates. Assistant Board Secretary Julie Bollerud tallied the rankings in public. No one candidate received four or more first place votes. Therefore, as described in the procedure, the first and second place votes were then weighted. Candidate Heather Conklin received the most weighted votes.

VII. ACTION ITEM

B. Appoint New Trustee for MiraCosta Community College District Area #7

By motion of Trustee McNeil, seconded by Trustee Merchat, the board appointed Heather Conklin as Area 7 Trustee.

Vote: 6/0/0

Aye: Cassar, Clendening, McNeil, Merchat, Pedroza, Simon

Abstentions: None

Absent: None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Rick Cassar
President

Sunita V. Cooke, Ph.D.
Superintendent/President