

# Regent Candidate Advisory Council

## MEETING MINUTES

January 4, 1999

The Regent Candidate Advisory Council met from 10:10 a.m. until 1:45 p.m. on Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 1999. Present were the following members.

Kenneth Albrecht  
David Naumann  
Joseph Aitken  
Colman O'Connell  
Carol Batsell Benner  
Gregg Orwoll  
Jane Belau  
Jo-Anne Stately  
Manuel Cervantes  
Paul Thatcher  
Humphrey Doermann  
Jane Tschida  
Richard Ista  
Bob Vanasek  
David Kanatz  
Billie Young  
Mary McLeod  
Rebecca Mathern

Absent were Gertrude Buckanaga, Paul Dovre, Jona Turner and Nedra Wicks. Turner and Wicks expressed candidate choices by proxy voting. Also present were staff members Chad Thuet and Barb Patterson.

Humphrey Doermann, Chair, welcomed a new member, Jo-Anne Stately. He reviewed the status of RCAC membership, noting that the Council would make its 1999 Regent recommendations with an appointed membership of 22 persons. Two House vacancies exist: the seats vacated by recent resignations of Larry Oveson and George Winn.

The Council set its June meeting date: June 11, 1999 (Friday) at 4:30 p.m. at the home of Humphrey Doermann. This will be a dinner meeting.

Doermann appointed Carol Batsell Benner as chair of a subcommittee to review references on the candidates who will be interviewed in late January. The following members volunteered to assist: Albrecht, Kanatz, Mathern, McLeod, Naumann, Orwoll, and Stately. Results of these investigations will be discussed in a closed portion of the January 26<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Council, immediately prior to voting in an open meeting on Regent recommendations to the Legislature.

Doermann also asked Carol Batsell Benner to provide local RCAC officer coverage for the Council when he travels January 6-19.

The Council reviewed briefly its list of desired qualities and experience in individual Regents. Rebecca Mathern offered to review the resumes of present Regents, to see if that might indicate areas of experience which should be strengthened in the Board. Ken Albrecht noted that this kind of perspective might help the Council to interview candidates in a more useful way. This subject will be discussed again in late January.

The Council reviewed the interview format and schedule for its three interviewing days: January 21, 22, and 25. Candidates will have 5 minutes to open interviews with prepared remarks. There will be a five minute break between each interview. Candidate interviews will be 55 minutes.

Interviews will be taped, but not other portions of the selection meetings. RCAC members agreed without opposition that any member wishing to cast final votes on Regent candidates should either be present at all the interviews or should listen to tapes of interviews not observed in person.

The Council discussed the request of an applicant to be considered as a Regent candidate this year even though his application was postmarked after December 1<sup>st</sup>. The Council agreed to consider his candidacy. The Council also discussed a candidate request to interview with the RCAC on January 26<sup>th</sup>, if he is selected to be interviewed. The Council agreed to this request.

The Council, following the selection procedures as adopted November 11, 1995 by the Council, selected the following candidates to be interviewed later in January.

Second Congressional District:

Julie Bleyhl  
Dallas Bohnsack  
Rholan Larson  
Burton Nypen

Third Congressional District:

Richard Clarke  
Marlene Garvis  
William Hogan, II  
Jann Olsten

Eighth Congressional District:

Anthony Baraga  
Frances Gardeski  
Fred Friedman  
Jim Gustafson  
John Kelly  
Tom Renier

At-Large:

Sandra Hale  
David Johnson  
William Peterson  
Gregory Renteria

\* One other at-large candidate was selected for an interview, but that candidate withdrew his application.

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