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Board of Trustees

**Governance Committee Meeting
Retreat of the Board of Trustees
August 13th, 2015
8:15 AM – 8:50 AM
Ascension School and Conference Center, Cove, OR**

Governance Committee Members: Chair Bill Johnson, Ray Brown, Holly Kerfoot, Bobbie Conner, and Jer Pratton.

Staff Present: Tim Seydel, Chris Burford, and Heidi Tilicki.

Chair Bill Johnson informed the committee that a quorum is present. He stated that purpose of this meeting is to determine when this committee will submit names of potential candidates to the governor for the vacant board position.

The committee reviewed two candidates and addressed how they fit into the characteristics mentioned at the last committee meeting. Trustee Pratton recommended having a list of prospective candidates for future board vacancies. With so many board members, there are bound to be vacancies in the future.

The committee deliberated over whether to move forward with the two proposed candidates or wait and seek out more options. Chair Johnson asked if there is a need to interview the two candidates. As one of the candidates is present at the board retreat today, the committee will reach out to him and gauge his interest.

Bobbie Conner attended at 8:44 a.m.

Secretary Burford noted that the board could have an emergency meeting at the end of the retreat and add this as an action item at the end of the day.

Chair Johnson mentioned that typically the candidates should be interviewed. The committee deliberated over whether they would submit a name for the August deadline or the December deadline. Having a clear effective process for future vacant positions is important.

Trustee Kerfoot attended at 8:50 a.m.

The committee discussed staggering terms for future board positions.

The committee decided to wait, and submit a name for the December deadline. Chair Johnson recommended setting up interviews with the potential candidates, Tim Seydel, and Secretary Burford.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Tilicki