

**THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SANDHILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Sledge Board Room and via Zoom  
May 9, 2023**

**PRESENT:** Trustees George Little, Chairman; Larry Caddell, Vice Chairman; Joe Clendenin, Secretary; Gary Evans; Gene Horne; Tim Carpenter; Catherine Graham; Helen Probst Mills; Connie Lovell; Bruce Hurst

**STAFF:** Heather Lyons

Mr. Little called the meeting to order at 2 pm. Mr. Little read the statute regarding conflicts of interest to the Trustees and asked the Board if there were any potential conflicts with the agenda items to be discussed. Hearing none, Mr. Little proceeded to the next item of business.

Mr. Little said that the meeting is being recorded for the transcription of the minutes. The recording will not be public record and will be expunged after the minutes are completed.

Mr. Horne made a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Probst Mills seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Caddell asked Mr. Clendenin to make a motion to go into closed session. Mr. Clendenin said in accordance with general statute 143-318.11 the purpose of the closed session is to elect and approve the next president of Sandhills Community College. Mr. Clendenin made a motion to go into closed session. Mr. Hurst seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board went in to closed session at 2:03 pm.

The Board came out of closed session at 2:12 pm.

Mr. Caddell said that there was good news from the State Board today. They voted unanimously to approve our selection for the next president of Sandhills Community College, Dr. Alexander “Sandy” Stewart. Mr. Caddell made a motion to elect and approve Dr. Alexander “Sandy” Stewart as the next president of Sandhills Community College. Mr. Carpenter seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Caddell said that trustees need to create a committee to be responsible for negotiating the contract with Dr. Stewart.

Mr. Horne recommended that the original Executive Search Committee from the Presidential Search which included Mr. Caddell, Mr. Little, Mr. Clendenin, Mr. Carpenter, and Ms. Probst Mills be on this committee and handle contract negotiations with Dr. Stewart. Mr. Evans made a

motion to approve of the committee to handle contract negotiations with Dr. Stewart. Mr. Horne seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

George Little, Chairman of the Board

Joseph Clendenin, Secretary of the Board