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MIRACOSTA COLLEGE FOUNDATION BOARD

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING

Saturday, September 13, 2021 – 5 p.m.

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MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Request consent to record meeting

Chair Babiarz called the meeting to order at 5 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL, WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS

Committee members present:

Julie Ames
Alec Babiarz
Bruce Bandemer
Raye Clendening
Dave McGuigan
Denise Stilling

Committee members absent:

Janice Kurth

Staff Present:

Interim Vice President Institutional Advancement, Peter Smits
Foundation Specialist/Board Support, Dee Jaykus
Interim Development Officer, Charity Singleton

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

None



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IV. CRYPTOCURRENCY DONATIONS - Action

Chair Babiarz opened the discussion. Board member Bandemer reported the finance committee approved accepting cryptocurrency and the procurement of Giving Block, a web based platform to accept cryptocurrency. Premium service is \$5,000 annually with 3% fee per donation processing fee. Giving Block will put MCC Foundation on their site and will market and participate in appeals like Giving Tuesday, and will steer potential donors to MCCF.

Board member Bandemer explained that crypto is not a currency. Crypto is a security, It is not used like cash to buy or sell anything. It is a holding like stock. As with our policy with stock donations, the cryptocurrency would be sold immediately and the cash electronically deposited into the Foundation Union Bank account. Donors can direct the donation to a particular program/fund. Recommend gift agreements for large donations.

Board member Bandemer reported that the Foundation is not doing anything wrong by accepting cryptocurrency. It is an asset class like art, which people want to donate.

Vice President Clendening to send link to *Navigating the Rise of Cryptocurrency Giving* webinar to Foundation Specialist Jaykus to send to the full board.

By motion made by Committee member McGuigan and seconded by Committee member Bandemer, procuring Giving Block for a year trial period, to accept and process cryptocurrency donations was approved.

Vote: 5/1

Aye: Babiarz, Bandemer, Clendening, McGuigan, Stillinger

Absent: Kurth

Abstentions: None

Naye: Ames

V. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Babiarz adjourned the meeting at 5:31 p.m.



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