

**MINUTES
TOWN HALL FORUM FOR PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH
NOVEMBER 19, 2013**

5:30 p.m.

Advanced Technology Center, Room 302

1. Welcome: Chair Ralph Roberson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. After welcoming those in attendance, he called on Dr. Cheryl Flax-Hyman to explain the details of the search process.
2. Introduction to the Process: Dr. Cheryl Flax-Hyman distributed a packet of information documenting the search process, including examples of credentials, experience, job descriptions from other colleges, and skills and personal qualities that could be considered in the development of the Presidential Profile.
3. Hearing of Public Comments: Dr. Patrick Brennan read a statement from several faculty members requesting that academic experience, a commitment to support faculty, and shared governance be considerations in the selection process.
4. Discussion of Presidential Profile:
 - a. Credentials: Participants discussed the pros and cons of requiring an earned Doctorate degree versus a preferred Doctorate. Chair Roberson noted that all comments would be taken under advisement by the Search Committee.
 - b. Experience: Following discussion, “significant leadership experience in a senior-level position in a community/state college” emerged as the preferred level of experience.
 - c. Skills: After discussion, participants agreed that the following skills should be requirements for the position:
 - Outstanding interpersonal skills in communication with internal/external groups
 - Commitment to affirmative action and to achieving a climate that promotes cultural, ethnic, and gender diversity
 - Commitment to supporting and leading the efforts of the community in economic development
 - Successful record of promoting partnerships
5. Adjournment: Mr. Roberson thanked those attending for participating in the process, noting that the selection of a president is the single most important responsibility of a board. He adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.