**A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held**

**at 5:00 p.m. on February 22, 2017**

**in the Robert Michael Sdao Memorial Board Room**

**at Niagara County Community College**

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| Board Members Present |
| Mr. Vincent Ginestre, Chairperson  Mr. William Ross, Vice Chairperson  Mr. Jason Cafarella  Mr. Bradley Rowles  Mr. Vincent Sandonato  Ms. Bonnie Sloma  Mr. James Ward  Ms. Gina Virtuoso, Financial Secretary(via “face time” on Trustee Sloma cell phone) |
| **Board Members Excused**  Ms. Sheila Smith, Secretary  **Administration Present**  Dr. James P. Klyczek, President  Ms. Barbara DeSimone, Acting Director of Public Relations  Mr. William Schickling, Vice President of Finance/Information Technology  Ms. Barbara Walck, Assistant to the President  **Invited Guests Present**  Ms. Lori Townsend, Faculty Senate President |
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Chairperson Ginestre called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

It was moved by Trustee Ward and seconded by Trustee Sloma that the Board meet in executive session under the provisions of Section 105 of Article 7 of the Public Officers Law to discuss proposed, pending, or current litigation. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Trustee Ward and seconded by Trustee Rowles that the Board come out of executive session at 7:55 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Trustee Sloma and seconded by Trustee Ross that the Board knowingly waives its policy on procurement for professional services to hire Tipping Point Communications to represent the Board of Trustees for professional services. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Chairman Ginestre and seconded by Trustee Cafarella in recognizing that our general counsel was part of the bidding process being reviewed, the Board has waived its policy on procurement for professional service and has engaged the services of Bond, Schoeneck and King. Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Trustee Sandonato and seconded by Trustee Rowles to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Walck

Secretary to the Board