



Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts
BOARD OF TRUSTEES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Minutes of the Meeting of October 22, 2020
Murdock Hall Room 208
Audio/Video Conference

Members in Attendance

Mohan Boodram, Chair
Brenda Burdick, Vice Chair
JD Chesloff
Karen Kowalczyk
Robert Reilly

Others in Attendance

James Birge, President
Lisa Lescarbeau, Clerk

Upon establishing a quorum of the Executive Committee Members present, Chair Boodram called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m. noting the sole item on the agenda for this session was an agreement between MCLA and MCLA Foundation, Inc. for the use of property located at 39 Willow St, North Adams.

President Birge provided an overview of the agreement that contains standard language for the properties owned by the Foundation and used by the College. This agreement is for the house and land located at 39 Willow Street to be used as a residence for the College's President. The house has been purchased and renovated, and will be fully furnished by the Foundation.

President Birge noted that once the property is complete and ready for occupancy, there will be a subsequent residency agreement between the College President and the Chair of the Board of Trustees directing the President's housing allowance to the Foundation with a portion retained for property upkeep. The President's housing allowance will remain in the budget to pay the Foundation for the mortgage on the property.

This residential space allows for more semi-formal gatherings which are beneficial to fundraising. The large yard and entertaining space in the home provide a versatility that is not currently available with other College properties.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, following a roll call vote, it was unanimously;

VOTED: to approve the Agreement between Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts and Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts Foundation, Inc. for the use of property located at 39 Willow St., North Adams, MA as a residence for the College President as presented.

Chair Boodram will execute the agreement on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.