

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH ALABAMA
FLORENCE, ALABAMA
11:00 a.m., Friday, September 16, 2016**

The Board of Trustees for the University of North Alabama met in person on Friday, September 16, 2016, in Hall A of the Guillot University Center in Florence, Alabama, at 11:00 a.m. for the 96th Regular Session of the Legislature. A letter from three Trustees (dated 2/26/2016) was sent to Governor Robert Bentley requesting that the Governor call the Board to the meeting also were sent to the Governor's office in advance of the meeting, and the same were mailed to the Trustee members under the date of August 30, 2016.

On September 9, 2016, Board members were notified via email of the agenda, proposed resolutions, and supporting documents for items on the agenda. Electronic access to the agenda and supporting documents was available in the Canvas software system.

In the absence of Governor Robert Bentley (Governor Bentley was in the State Capitol at 11:00 a.m. by Board President Pro Tempore Mark Linder), the meeting was called to order by Board President Pro Tempore Mark Linder.

I. INVOCATION

The opening invocation was offered by Athletics Director Mark Linder.

II. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called by President Kenneth D. Jordan, and the following members were present:

Trustee Marty Abrams	Trustee Kenneth D. Jordan	Trustee Steve Pierce
Trustee Joel Anderson	Trustee Mark Linder	Trustee Simpson Russell
Trustee Rodney Howard	Trustee Tom Quillet	Trustee Will Trap

Also present were ex officio members Governor Robert Bentley and Superintendent of Education Michael Sentance.

Other persons present for all or part of the meeting:

- Amber Fite-Morgan, University Attorney and Chief Diversity Officer
- Mark Linder, Athletics Director
- Ron Patterson, Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management
- Debbie Shaw, Vice President for University Advancement
- David Shields, Vice President for Student Affairs
- John Thornell, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost
- Evan Thornton, Acting Chief Financial Officer
- Greg Carnes, Dean of the College of Business
- Melvin Davis, Dean of Library and Educational Technology Services
- Donna Lefort, Dean of the College of Education and Human Sciences
- Vicki Pierce, Dean of the Anderson College of Nursing

- Ms. L. ... asley, Senior Administrative Assistant for Honors Program
- Dr. J. ... Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs
- Dr. V. ... wton, Director of the Honors Program
- Dr. D. ... mmer, President of Faculty Senate
- Ms. C. ... alon, Associate Vice President for Business Services
- Mr. J. ... ks, Director of Student Recreation Center
- Dr. S. ... klin, Associate Professor of History
- Mr. M. ... autney, Associate Vice President for Facilities Administration and Planning
- Ms. S. ... en, President of Student Government Association and *officio* non-voting member of the Board
- Mr. B. ... Board of Trustees legal counsel
- Dr. S. ... fager, Chair of Shared Governance Executive Committee
- Dr. K. ... ues, President of Staff Senate
- Dr. J. ... on, Associate Vice President for Advancement Services
- Mr. B. ... ngs, Director of University Events
- Dr. A. ... ma, Director of Institutional Research, Planning, and Assessment
- Ms. C. ... ys, Director of Alumni Relations
- Ms. L. ... rtin, Director of Student Counseling Services
- Dr. C. ... ard, Associate Dean of College of Arts and Sciences
- Ms. A. ... itchell, Director of Environmental Services and Housing Facilities Mgmt.
- Mr. B. ... hal, Director of University Communications and Marketing
- Ms. C. ... holds, Assistant to the VPAA for ACS Reaffirmation Accreditation
- Mr. J. ... ell, University Events Conference Coordinator
- Mr. J. ... sell, Network Engineer
- Ms. R. ... errill, Senior Assistant to the President for Administration
- Ms. M. ... nornton, Assistant Coordinator in Inst. Research, Planning, and Assessment
- Mr. L. ... dale, Director of Foundation Accounting
- Mr. J. ... ddell, Assistant Director Environmental Services and Housing Facilities Mgmt.
- Ms. S. ... Vells, University Photographer
- Member ... the news media: Jennifer Edwards from the *TimesLive* and Kaitlyn Davis from the *Flor-Ala*

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Brown presented the meeting agenda for approval. Upon motion by Mr. Pierce and second by Mr. Russell, the agenda was approved unanimously as presented.

IV. PRESENTATION ON UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM

In an effort to stimulate the Program, Dr. Bromberg presented a brief overview of the program. He noted that the program is designed to recognize students with different units of presentation on the Honors Program. He mentioned the names of students like Welasquez and Brandon.

V. APPROXIMATELY THE JUNE 3, 2016 ANNUAL BOARD MEETING

Mr. Bromberg submitted a copy of the minutes of the meeting. He noted that there was an error in the minutes regarding the approval of the minutes. He mentioned that the minutes were approved unanimously and that he had already advised the recording secretary by Mr. Anderson and so amended.

VI. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Dr. Kitts gave a report on the work of the University and staff. He mentioned the enrollment numbers and the new chairs. He also mentioned the new position of the State member of the Board and the academic program and study this academic year.

VII. REMARKS OF THE CONSTITUENCY GROUP LEADERS

Mr. Bromberg called for their respective employee cost-offers. Dr. Jacques thanked Dr. Kitts for his advocacy of an

VIII. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND STUDENT LIFE COMMITTEE MATTERS

- A. Enrollment
- B. Curriculum
- C. Student Services and Activities

These items were reviewed during the meeting and these items were referred to the appropriate committees for their review and report.

Resolution and College **Approving** **Admission** **Admission** **Admission** **Admission** **Admission**

This item had been discussed at the meeting and there were no additional questions. Mr. Russell, the author of the resolution, was present and supported the resolution. The resolution was approved by a unanimous vote.

Status Report on Efforts to Satisfy Student **Report on Efforts to Satisfy Student** **Report on Efforts to Satisfy Student** **Report on Efforts to Satisfy Student** **Report on Efforts to Satisfy Student** **Report on Efforts to Satisfy Student** **Report on Efforts to Satisfy Student**

This item was discussed at the meeting and there were no additional questions. The report was presented and discussed. The report was approved by a unanimous vote.

IX. ADVANCEMENT AND UNIVERSITY LAWS COMMITTEE

Resolution of the University of North Alabama **Declaring** **of North Alabama** **of North Alabama** **of North Alabama** **of North Alabama** **of North Alabama**

This item had been discussed at the meeting and there were no additional questions. The resolution was presented and discussed. The resolution was approved by a unanimous vote.

Resolution of the Alabama Foundation **Approving** **of the Alabama Foundation** **of the Alabama Foundation** **of the Alabama Foundation** **of the Alabama Foundation** **of the Alabama Foundation**

Mr. Trapp gave introductory comments during the meeting. He stated that the bylaws were originally adopted in 1995 and that the resolution was approved by a unanimous vote. Mr. Trapp seconded the resolution. The resolution was approved by a unanimous vote.

Outstanding Changes to the Constitution **Changes to the Constitution** **Changes to the Constitution** **Changes to the Constitution** **Changes to the Constitution** **Changes to the Constitution** **Changes to the Constitution**

This information was presented at the meeting. Mr. Trapp is presenting the document at the next Board meeting. The Board will discuss this item at the next meeting.

I. Resolution Authorizing Solicitation of Bids and Conversion of College of Nursing Building at the University of North Alabama

Construction of a New Building at the University of North Alabama

This item had been discussed during the previous session. Mr. Russell moved approval of the resolution. Mr. Andrews seconded, and the same was approved by unanimous vote.

Mr. Russell clarified that in contrast to the previous resolution, this resolution calls for this matter to be completed by the end of this fall before the Board meets. Mr. Andrews seconded the motion, and the same was approved by unanimous vote.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Report from Ad Hoc Presidential Evaluation Committee

Mr. Russell reviewed the report of the Ad Hoc Presidential Evaluation Committee. He noted that some of the objectives are a part of the presidential job performance process. He also pointed out that the long-term academic and administrative program analyses and analyses emphasized for the coming year. Mr. Russell moved approval of the report, and the same was approved by unanimous vote.

The committee objectives for the coming year are: 1. employment contract renewal; 2. completed or may be completed; 3. review of facilities; 4. issue are the three priorities; 5. Board ratify the work of the committee and objectives. Mr. Russell moved approval of the report, and the same was approved by unanimous vote.

B. Approval of Presidential Employment Contract

Mr. Russell gave brief comments concerning the proposed new contract, noting that the effective date (October 1) and the termination period (October 1 - September 30) will now coincide with the University fiscal year and fiscal year. Mr. Russell moved approval of the contract, and the same was approved by unanimous vote.

Mr. Russell noted that the new contract, noting that the effective date (October 1) and the termination period (October 1 - September 30) will now coincide with the University fiscal year and fiscal year. Mr. Russell moved approval of the contract, and the same was approved by unanimous vote.

Note: Following the conclusion of the meeting, Mr. Russell and President Kitts executed the new contract.

XI. MEETING FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Andrews, a brief executive session was held to discuss a matter from the Honorary Degrees and Building Nominations Committee and to discuss pending legal matters.

Mr. Russell moved approval of the contract, and the same was approved by unanimous vote. The meeting recessed at 11:55 a.m. to go into a brief executive session to discuss a matter from the Honorary Degrees and Building Nominations Committee and to discuss pending legal matters.

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