

**North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University
Greensboro, NC**

SEPTEMBER 15, 2017

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

- Chairman Timothy King called the first regular meeting for 2017-18 of the Board of Trustees to order at 2:00 p.m. on September 15, 2017 in the Alumni-Foundation Event Center.

OATH OF OFFICE

- District Court Judge, Lora Cabbage gave the oath of office to Kayla Tate, SGA President.

MOMENT OF MEDITATION

- Chairman King led the board in a moment of meditation.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

- In accordance with Chapter II, Section 204 of the Code of the UNC Board of Governors, Chairman King called for the presentation of the Ethics and Conflicts of Interest Statement via an audio recording. No conflicts were noted.

ROLL CALL

- Next, roll call was taken by Shannon Bennett, Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees. Quorum was confirmed.
- Members present: John W. Bluford, III, Calvin Brodie, Toby Brodie, Venessa C. Harrison, Donna A. James, Paul Jones, Timothy King, George Mainor, Joe Parker, Hilda Pinnix-Ragland, Tim Rice, and Kayla Tate
- Members absent: Laura Meagher

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Chairman King entertained a motion for the approval of the minutes for the Board of Trustees Retreat held on July 21, 2017. A motion was made by John W. Bluford, III, seconded by Donna James, and unanimously approved.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

- Chancellor Martin began his report with introductions of the coaches and student-athletes for the track and field programs who won four MEAC championships during the 2016-2017 season. Additionally, he introduced the Student Government Association and Dowdy Scholars.
- Chancellor Martin talked about the brand reputation of N.C. A&T and the special guests who have visited the university through the Chancellor's Speaker Series, the Chancellor's Town Hall, and Commencement events. Most recently, these guests included Gabrielle Union, Angela Rye, Lisa Ling and Danya Bacchus.
- Chancellor Martin advised the board of the 43rd annual Career Services fair which hosted 661 representatives from 215 employers, 40 of which were new this year.
- Chancellor Martin advised the board of several leadership and development programs for administration, faculty, and staff available at the university. Specifically, the inaugural cohort of the Executive Leadership Development Program is set to begin in 2017-18 with 36 mid-level administrators identified as change agents at the university.
- Chancellor Martin advised the board that the university is making great strides in recruiting and hiring new faculty and staff with 187 hired in 2016-17 and an additional 31 hired since July 2017.
- Chancellor Martin advised the board that as of fall 2016, the university had received \$62.51 million in contracts and grants and the university now owns 34 U.S patents and two international patents.
- Chancellor Martin advised that board that in addition to the four MEAC championships for track and field, the bowling team won the MEAC title for the third year and three student-athletes advanced to professional teams in 2016-17. Of the 325 student athletes, 137 are identified as scholar athletes.
- Chancellor Martin advised the board of new facilities on campus. The Student Center is scheduled to open May, 2018 and the Engineering Research Complex is scheduled to break ground November, 2017.
- Chancellor Martin advised the board that the university continues to make an economic impact in the region especially through the Gateway University Research Park, Union Square, and collaborations with Guilford County Schools.
- Chancellor Martin advised that board that in fall 2017, the university enrolled its largest class ever with nearly 12,000 students. This class also has a strong academic profile with an average grade point average of 3.58 and an average ACT score of 20.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

- Committee Chair Hilda Pinnix-Ragland gave the report from the Endowment Committee which met September 14, 2017.

UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

- Committee Chair Donna James gave the report from the University Affairs Committee.
 - The committee motioned that the board approve the Use of University Space Policy. The motion was seconded by Trustee Paul Jones and unanimously approved.

ADVANCEMENT AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

- Committee Chair Venessa Harrison gave the report from the Advancement and External Affairs Committee.

GOVERNANCE

- Committee Chair John W. Bluford, III gave the report from the Governance Committee.

BUSINESS AFFAIRS

- Committee Chair Tim Rice gave the report from the Business Affairs Committee.
 - The committee motioned that the board approve the Resolution for Annexation of 116 acres at NC A&T Farm. The motion was seconded by Trustee Venessa Harrison and unanimously approved.

RISK MANAGEMENT, AUDIT, AND COMPLIANCE

- Trustee Donna James gave the report from the Risk Management, Audit, and Compliance Committee in lieu of Committee Chair Laura Meagher.

REMARKS FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

- Chairman King advised that board that Executive Committee meetings will be held moving forward and there will be a standing Nominating Committee assigned. Members will include Trustee Venessa Harrison as Chair, Trustee Donna James, and Trustee John W. Blufford, III.
- Chairman King thanked the trustees who served as chairs for their work and the Chancellor's staff for their hard work in coordinating presentation materials.

CLOSED SESSION

- The language for a motion to go into closed session was offered by attorney Charles Waldrup, pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(1) [NCGS 116-40.7(c)], and NCGS 143-318.11(a)(2), and (6).
- Chairman King invited a motion to move into closed session, which was moved by Trustee Donna James, seconded by Trustee Hilda Pinnix-Ragland, and unanimously approved.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

- The board returned to open session.

ADJOURNMENT

- Chairman King invited a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was moved by Trustee Paul Jones, seconded by Trustee Tim King, and unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Bennett
Assistant Secretary