

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees (BOT) met on Friday, November 12, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom. Chairwoman Hilda Pinnix-Ragland called the meeting to order.

MOMENT OF MEDITATION

Chairwoman Pinnix-Ragland 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, Chairwoman Harrison called for the presentation of the Ethics and Conflicts of Interest Statement via an audio recording. No conflicts were noted.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken by Anita Wright, Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees. Quorum was confirmed.

Members present: John Bluford, Mark Copeland, William Dudley, Kimberley Gatling, Venessa Harrison, Paul Jones, Verdant Julius, Timothy King, Joseph Parker, Hilda Pinnix-Ragland, and Lynn Wooten.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairwoman Hilda Pinnix-Ragland entertained a motion for the approval of the minutes for the September 24, 2021 meetings. A motion was made by Trustee Verdant Julius, seconded by Trustee Venessa Harrison, and unanimously approved by roll call vote.

THE CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Chancellor Martin introduced presentations that provided significant accomplishments of the university. Presenters were Dr. Galen Foresman, Faculty Senate Chair; Todd Simmons, Associate Vice Chancellor for University Relations, and Dr. Oliver Thomas, Interim Director of External Affairs. Dr. Foresman highlighted the purpose of the Faculty Senate and the significant work they are doing. Mr. Simmons' presentation focused on integrated marketing and communications strategy for N.C. A&T, internal and external to the university. Dr. Thomas' presentation focused on the progress with the legislative agenda. Chancellor Martin concluded his presentation with sharing information about the underfunding of HBCUs and introducing a book entitled "The State Must Provide" by Adam Harris.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Endowment Committee

- Committee Chair Mark Copeland gave the report from the Endowment Committee which highlighted the economic growth of the university.

University Affairs Committee

- Committee Chair Paul Jones gave the report from the University Affairs Committee. Trustee Jones presented a motion on behalf of the committee to approve the UNC Lab School. The motion was passed with a unanimous roll call vote. Trustee Jones also presented a motion on behalf of the committee to approve a Request for Authorization to Plan for the Center of Excellence for Integrative Health Disparities and Equity research, seconded by John Bluford, and unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Advancement and External Affairs Committee

- Committee Chair Joseph Parker gave the report from the Advancement and External Affairs Committee.

Executive Committee

- Committee Chair Hilda Pinnix-Ragland gave the report from the Executive Committee. Feedback was received from UNC system about Delegated Authority and suggested revision which were made. The Biden vaccine mandate was highlighted. Revisions to the Board of Trustees bylaws were considered during the Executive Committee meeting.

Business Affairs Committee

- Committee Chair Timothy King gave the report from the Business Affairs Committee. On behalf of the committee, Trustee King presented a motion to approve three tuition changes on behalf of the committee, Trustee King provided a motion to approve the following resolutions via a collective vote: (1) NC DOT Temporary Easement, (2) NC DOT Permanent Easement, (3) Demolition of Garrett House, (4) Leasing of Parking Spaces at Piedmont Triad Center for Advanced Manufacturing (PTCAM), (5) Renovation of PTCAM, (6) Advanced Planning for Webb Hall Vivarium, (7) Authorization for Master Plan Update, and (8) Leasing of Space for University and Alumni Relations. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Risk Management, Audit and Compliance Committee

- Committee Chair William Dudley gave a report from the Risk Management, Audit and Compliance Committee.

CLOSED SESSION

The language for a motion to go into closed session was offered by General Counsel, Melissa Holloway, pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(1) [NCGS 116-40.7(c)], and NCGS 143-318.11(a)(2), and (6).

Chairwoman Pinnix-Ragland invited a motion to move into closed session, which was moved by Trustee Paul Jones, seconded by Trustee William Dudley, and unanimously approved by roll call vote.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The board returned to open session.

Chairwoman Pinnix-Ragland invited the motion to approve the personnel actions presented during closed session which was moved by Trustee Paul Jones, seconded by Trustee William Dudley, and unanimously approved by roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Harrison invited a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was moved by Trustee Kim Gatling, seconded by Trustee Venessa Harrison, and unanimously approved by roll call vote. The meeting adjourned at 4:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Wright
Assistant Secretary