

## OPEN SESSION MINUTES

### CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees (BOT) met on Friday, February 18, 2022 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, Calvin Brodie, Mark Copeland, William Dudley, Kimberley Gatling, Venessa Harrison, Paul Jones, Verdant Julius, Timothy King, Joseph Parker, Hilda Pinnix-Ragland, Bhaskar Venepalli, and Lynn Wooten.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairwoman Hilda Pinnix-Ragland entertained a motion for the approval of the minutes for the November 12, 2021 meeting. A motion was made by Verdant Julius, seconded by Trustee Paul Jones, and unanimously approved by roll call vote.

### THE CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Chancellor Martin's presentation highlighted N.C. A&T's role in local and state economic development. The presentation focused on growing economically the state's prosperity as well as locally within our region.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### *Endowment Committee*

- Committee Chair Mark Copeland gave the report from the Endowment Committee which highlighted combined investments of the university. A&T has the largest endowment of any HBCU.

***University Affairs Committee***

- Committee Chair Paul Jones gave the report from the University Affairs Committee.

***Advancement and External Affairs Committee***

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

***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 two capital improvement projects (1) replacement of Aggie Village roof; (2) renovation of Hines Hall first and second levels and office space for the John R. and Kathy R. Hairston College of Health and Human Sciences; (3) approval of lease space for the lab school located at 2207 E. Cone Blvd which will begin fall of 2022; (4) approval of lease space for the College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences to lease a tract of land located at 170 Bell Road, Reidsville, NC; (5) and Capital Project Designer Selections for the following: Carver Hall, Webb Hall Vivarium, Marteen Hall, Price Hall, War Memoria Stadium, Student Recreation and Wellness Complex, Hines Hall, John R. and Kathy R. Hairston College of Health and Human Sciences. 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. On behalf of the committee, Trustee Dudley presented a motion to approve the FY 2021-22 Annual Audit Plan Revision. His motion was seconded by Trustee Timothy King and was approved unanimously by roll call vote.

***Executive Committee***

- Committee Chair Hilda Pinnix-Ragland gave the report from the Executive Committee. On behalf of the committee, Chairwoman Pinnix-Ragland requested a motion to approve the bylaws revision. Trustee Paul Jones made a motion, Trustee William Dudley seconded, and was approved unanimously by roll call vote. Earl Hilton presented athletic assessment to move A&T athletics from Big South to Colonial Athletic Association. Chairwoman Pinnix-Ragland presented a motion on behalf of the Executive Committee. The motion was second by Paul Jones and was approved unanimously by roll call vote.

**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 Bhaskar Venepalli, seconded by Trustee Venessa Harrison, 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 John Bluford, seconded by Trustee Kimberly Gatling, and unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Chairwoman Pinnix-Ragland invited the motion to approve facility naming proposals presented during closed session which was moved by Trustee Verdant Julius, seconded by Calvin Brodie, and unanimously approved by roll call vote.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairwoman Pinnix-Ragland invited a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was moved by Trustee Paul Jones, seconded by Trustee Venessa Harrison, and unanimously approved by roll call vote. The meeting adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Wright  
Assistant Secretary