

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA
Atlanta, Georgia
February 13, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met on Tuesday, February 13, 2018, in the Board Room, Room 8003, 270 Washington Street SW, Atlanta, Georgia. The Chairman of the Board, Regent James M. Hull, called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. Present, in addition to Chairman Hull, were Vice Chairman Don L. Waters; and Regents C. Dean Alford; W. Allen Gudenrath; Erin Hames; Bárbara Rivera Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Donald M. Leebern, Jr.; Laura Marsh; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Sarah-Elizabeth Reed; Sachin Shailendra; E. Scott Smith; Kessell D. Stelling, Jr.; Ben J. Tarbutton, III; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Regents W. Paul Bowers and T. Rogers Wade were excused.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Middle Georgia State University Student Government Association President Lizzie Mathias gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

SAFETY BRIEFING

Chief of Police Bruce Holmes gave the safety briefing.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

With motion made and variously seconded, the Regents who were present voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Board's meetings of January 11, 2018, and February 5, 2018.

CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT: ABRAHAM BALDWIN AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Chairman Hull introduced Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College President Dr. David Bridges, who, along with ABAC faculty and students, gave a presentation showcasing the College's commitment to integrated and engaged learning.

ALA SCHOLAR RECOGNITION

Interim Vice Chancellor for Human Resources Karin Elliott recognized the 2018 University System's Accelerated Leadership Academy scholars. The Accelerated Leadership Academy is an 11-month professional development program for USG employees that is designed to accelerate the development of current leaders while driving innovation and promoting cross-institutional teamwork.

HOUSING PRESENTATION

Executive Vice Chancellor Shelley Nickel and P3 Portfolio Manager Jonathan Lucia gave a presentation on the P3 finance mechanism for housing used in the University System to ensure a consistent level of quality and services in student housing. Since its rollout, P3 has implemented standardized metrics across nine USG institutions and led to improvements in laundry and internet services, work order completion rates, capital improvements, a "one team" philosophy, and affordability.

ACADEMIC RECOGNITION HONOREES

Community Relations Manager Dr. Christina Hobbs honored students from across the University System for their outstanding scholastic achievement.

ETHICS TRAINING

Vice Chancellor for Organizational Effectiveness John Fuchko led the Board's annual ethics training session.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

The Chancellor began his report to the Board by announcing the creation of the nexus degree, a new initiative of

the College 2025 campaign. This new degree connects traditional learning and coursework with experiential learning like internships and will focus on high demand areas like cybersecurity and financial technology. Nexus degrees will consist of 18 hours of coursework, including at least six hours of experiential learning, and will be designed with industry experts to ensure that USG graduates are prepared to enter the workforce.

Chancellor Wrigley then shared several highlights and achievements from across the University System. He announced that the Strong Start to Finish organization has awarded the System a \$2.1 million grant to help increase the number of students who complete college degrees. He also mentioned the upcoming Momentum Year Summit, which will be held later this week and will bring together experts and leaders from all 26 USG institutions. Chancellor Wrigley announced that Georgia ranks as one of the top states for industry funding of academic research, according to new rankings released by the Information Technology and Innovation Foundation. The Chancellor then congratulated Kennesaw State University, Georgia Southern University, and the University of North Georgia on their inclusion in the *Military Times* ' "best for vets" list. Lastly, he congratulated Regent Don L. Waters on receiving the Distinguished Service Scroll Award from the University of Georgia's Law School Association.

Chancellor Wrigley concluded his remarks with a historical note regarding Abraham Baldwin and the instrumental role he played in founding the University of Georgia. Mr. Baldwin, who was originally from Connecticut, moved to Georgia after the Revolutionary War to practice law and eventually began a political career in Georgia. He crafted a statewide education plan that led to the creation of the University of Georgia and was selected as the first president of the institution on this day in 1786.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Reports of the standing committees are attached hereto.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

Regent Philip A. Wilheit, Sr., informed the Board that the Regents' Salute to Education, commonly called the Regents' Gala, benefiting the University System of Georgia Foundation, will be held on Friday, March 2, 2018, at the St. Regis Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia.

Regent Don Leebern presented a resolution honoring the University of Georgia football team for winning the Southeastern Conference Championship and competing for the National Championship in 2017. With motion made and variously seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to adopt the resolution.

With motion made and variously seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to delegate approval authority to Chancellor Steve Wrigley until its April 17-18, 2018, meeting while the Board is in recess.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

There were no petitions or communications. Interim Secretary to the Board Kimberly Ballard-Washington announced that the next Board of Regents meeting will be held on April 17-18, 2018, at the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Following the announcement on Petitions and Communications, Chairman Hull called for an executive session at approximately 1:44 p.m. to discuss personnel matters involving several institutions, including presidential search updates and evaluations. With motion properly made and seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to go into executive session. University System of Georgia staff members who were also present for portions of the executive session included Chancellor Wrigley and members of his staff. An affidavit regarding this executive session is on file with the Office of the Secretary to the Board.

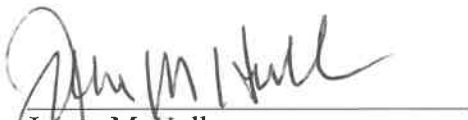
RECONVENE

Following executive session, Chairman Hull reconvened the Board meeting in its regular session at approximately 2:56 p.m. and announced that the Board took no actions during the executive session.


With motion made and properly seconded, the Regents present approved appointing Dr. Kirk Nooks as Gordon State University president, effective June 1, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.



James M. Hull
Chairman, Board of Regents
University System of Georgia



Edward M. Tate
Secretary, Board of Regents
University System of Georgia

**MINUTES OF THE
GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

The Graduate Medical Education Committee of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 9:04 a.m. in Room 8135 of the Board's Offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairman Philip A. Wilheit, Sr., called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Wilheit, were Committee Vice Chairman Don L. Waters and Regents W. Allen Gudenrath; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; James M. Hull; and Sarah-Elizabeth Reed. Also present was Augusta University President Brooks Keel. The Board approved all items unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEM

Medical Partnership Campus Dean Shelley Nuss gave a presentation on the Augusta University/University of Georgia Medical Partnership's progress. The Medical Partnership has added 8 new teaching hospitals since 2013,

ACTION ITEM

With motion made and properly seconded, the Board approved funding for the Hamilton and WellStar Health Systems.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:24 a.m.

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

The Committee on Academic Affairs of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 10:47 a.m. in Room 2014 of the Board's Offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairwoman Sarah-Elizabeth Reed called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairwoman Reed, were Committee Vice Chairman E. Scott Smith and Regents C. Dean Alford, W. Allen Gudenrath, Erin Hames, and Laura Marsh. Board Chairman James M. Hull and Chancellor Steven Wrigley also were present. Regents W. Paul Bowers and T. Rogers Wade were excused as absent. Unless otherwise noted, the Regents present approved all items unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Following a motion by Regent Scott, which was seconded by Regent Marsh, the Board approved the establishment of a Bachelor of Science in Long-Term Healthcare Management at South Georgia State College.
2. Following a motion by Regent Marsh, which was seconded by Regent Alford, the Board approved the establishment of a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture with a major in Hospitality and Food Industry Management at the University of Georgia.
3. Following a motion by Regent Hull, which was seconded by Regent Alford, the Board approved the establishment of a Bachelor of Fine Arts with a major in Visual Arts at the University of North Georgia.
4. Following a motion by Regent Marsh, which was seconded by Regent Alford, the Board approved the revision to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 3.1, General Policy.
5. Following a motion by Regent Alford, which was seconded by Regent Hull, the Board approved the revision to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 3.2, Faculties, in Subsection 3.2.5, Termination of Faculty Employment.
6. Following a motion by Regent Marsh, which was seconded by Regent Alford, the Board approved the revision to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 3.3.4, United States and Georgia History and Constitution.
7. Following a motion by Regent Marsh, which was seconded by Regent Alford, the Board approved the revision to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 3.6.1, Creation of Academic Programs.
8. Following a motion by Regent Alford, which was seconded by Regent Smith, the Board approved the revision to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 4.2, Undergraduate Admissions, in Subsections 4.2.1, Admission Requirements for Programs Leading to the Baccalaureate Degree and Subsection, and 4.2.3, Additional Admissions Policies.

CONSENT ITEM

The Board adopted new faculty positions and appointments at Georgia State University, Kennesaw State University, the University of Georgia, and Augusta University.

DISCUSSION

Nexus degree – Executive Vice Chancellor Tristan Denley explained the purpose of the creation of the new nexus degree. The development of the credential was inspired by the work of College 2025 and it is intended to align with the Governor's high demand career initiative. Nexus degrees will provide opportunities to engage with industry in new ways and prepare students for future careers. Micro-credentials have been offered before,

but this is the first time this type of degree will be offered in the state. All new Nexus credentials will be approved by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for committee consideration, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:05 a.m.

**MINUTES OF THE
COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

The Committee on Economic Development of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 11:07 a.m. in Room 2104 of the Board's Offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Vice Chairman C. Dean Alford called the meeting to order in the absence of Committee Chairman T. Rogers Wade. Present, in addition to Vice Chairman Alford, were Regents W. Allen Gudenrath, Erin Hames, Laura Marsh, Sarah-Elizabeth Reed, and E. Scott Smith. Regent W. Paul Bowers was excused as absent. Board Chairman James M. Hull and Chancellor Steve Wrigley also were present.

INFORMATION ITEM

University System Office staff provided an overview of the University System of Georgia's economic development efforts and 2018 strategic plan.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:20 a.m.

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION AND LAW

The Committee on Organization and Law of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 11:20 a.m. in Room 2104 of the Board's Offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairwoman Laura Marsh called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairwoman Marsh, were Committee Vice Chairwoman Sarah-Elizabeth Reed, and Regents C. Dean Alford, W. Allen Gudenrath, Erin Hames, and E. Scott Smith. Also present were Board Chairman James M. Hull and Chancellor Steve Wrigley. Regents W. Paul Bowers and T. Rogers Wade were excused as absent. The Board approved all items unanimously.

APPROVAL ITEM

The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 4.1.3, Student Voting Privileges; Section 4.8, Immunizations; and Section 6, Campus Affairs.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Following the vote on the approval items, Chairwoman Marsh called for an executive session at approximately 11:22 a.m. to discuss pending applications for review. With motion properly made and seconded, the Regents who were present voted unanimously to go into executive session. An affidavit regarding this executive session is on file in the Office of the Secretary to the Board.

After the committee exited executive session, Chairwoman Marsh reconvened the committee in its regular session at 11:40 a.m. and announced that no actions were taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

**MINUTES OF THE
COMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL AND BENEFITS**

The Committee on Personnel and Benefits of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 10:46 a.m. in Room 8003 of the Board's Offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairman Neil L. Pruitt, Jr., called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Pruitt, were Committee Vice Chairman C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr., and Regents Bárbara Rivera Holmes; Donald M. Leeburn, Jr.; Sachin D. Shailendra; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; Richard L. Tucker; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr.

APPROVAL ITEM

The Board approved the revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 8, Personnel.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for committee consideration, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:51 a.m.

**MINUTES OF THE
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & BUSINESS OPERATIONS**

The Committee on Finance & Business Operations of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 10:54 a.m. in Room 8003 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairman Kessel D. Stelling, Jr., called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Stelling, were Committee Vice Chairman Donald M. Leebern, Jr., and Regents Bárbara Rivera Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Sachin Shailendra; Ben J. Tarbutton, III; Richard L. Tucker; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Board Chairman James M. Hull and Chancellor Steve Wrigley also were present.

APPROVAL ITEM

The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 7, Finance and Business.

INFORMATION ITEM

The committee heard an information item on the report on Fiscal Year 2018 Second Quarter Revenues and Expenditures.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:08 a.m.

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE & FACILITIES

The Committee on Real Estate & Facilities of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 11:08 a.m. in Room 8003 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairman Richard L. Tucker called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Tucker, were Committee Vice Chairman Ben J. Tarbutton, III, and Regents Bárbara Rivera Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Donald M. Leebern, Jr.; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Sachin Shailendra; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Board Vice Chairman Don L. Waters also was present.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Vice Chancellor for Real Estate & Facilities Jim James presented an information item on proposed revisions to subsections 9.2, 9.4, 9.5 and 9.6 under Section 9.0, Facilities, of the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*.
2. Vice Chancellor James presented an information item on a proposed project to construct a structured parking deck at UGA in conjunction with the Interdisciplinary STEM Research Building (Project No. J-314).

The following action items were unanimously approved:

3. Authorization of Project No. BR-30-1802, Renovation of Building 032 for ACC Network Production, Georgia Institute of Technology;
4. Authorization of Project No. BR-68-1801, Gainesville Loop Road, University of North Georgia;
5. Appointment of Construction Management Firm, Project No. BR-30-1707, Renovation of Instructional Space (Howey Physics Building), Georgia Institute of Technology;
6. Approval of Ground Lease and Rental Agreement, Project No. PPV-30-1701, Dalney Street Parking Deck and Office Building, Georgia Institute of Technology;
7. Naming of the William Porter Payne and Porter Otis Payne Indoor Athletic Facility, University of Georgia

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:17 a.m.

**MINUTES OF THE
JOINT COMMITTEES ON FINANCE & BUSINESS OPERATIONS AND
REAL ESTATE & FACILITIES**

The Joint Committees on Finance & Business Operations and Real Estate and Facilities of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 11:50 a.m. in Room 8003 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairman Kessel D. Stelling, Jr., called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Stelling, were Regents Bárbara Rivera Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Donald M. Leebern, Jr.; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Sachin Shailendra; Ben J. Tarbutton, III; Richard L. Tucker; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Board Chairman James M. Hull and Chancellor Steve Wrigley also were present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Stelling called for an executive session at approximately 11:50 a.m. to discuss real estate matters. With motion properly made and seconded, the Regents who were present voted unanimously to go into executive session. An affidavit regarding this executive session is on file in the Office of the Secretary to the Board.

After the committee exited executive session, Chairman Stelling reconvened the committee in its regular session at approximately 12:00 p.m. and announced that no actions were taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:00 p.m.

**MINUTES OF THE
COMMITTEE ON INTERNAL AUDIT, RISK AND COMPLIANCE**

The Committee on Internal Audit, Risk and Compliance of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 11:18 a.m. in Room 8003 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairman Sachin Shailendra called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Shailendra, were Committee Vice Chairman Philip A. Wilheit, Sr., and Regents Bárbara Rivera Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Donald M. Leebern, Jr.; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; and Richard L. Tucker.

INFORMATION ITEM

Vice Chancellor for Internal Audit & Chief Audit Officer Terry Thompson provided a brief overview of the trends identified by Internal Audit for July 2017 to December 2017.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Shailendra called for an executive session to discuss personnel matters. With motion properly made and seconded, the Regents who were present voted unanimously to go into executive session. An affidavit regarding this executive session is on file in the Office of the Secretary to the Board.

After the committee exited executive session, Chairman Shailendra reconvened the committee in its regular session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:21 a.m.