

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA
Atlanta, Georgia
May 15, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met on Tuesday, May 15, 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; Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; T. Rogers Wade; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Regent Kessel D. Stelling, Jr., was excused.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Valdosta State University Student Government Association President Maya Mapp 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 present voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Board's meetings of April 17-18, 2018.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION: POTTS AWARD AND REGENTS' DEPARTMENT AWARD

Chancellor Steve Wrigley awarded the Regent Willis J. Potts Student Advisory Council Leadership Award to Maya Mapp, a senior at Valdosta State University. The Potts Award represents the highest honor of the University System of Georgia's Student Advisory Council. Chancellor Wrigley also recognized the Early Childhood Education Program at the University of West Georgia with the 2018 Regents' Excellence in Teaching Award. He commended the program for its use of high impact teaching and learning practices, including service learning projects, collaborative assignments, and global learning opportunities.

CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT: ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY

Board Chairman James Hull welcomed Albany State University (ASU) Interim President Marion Fedrick to speak about ASU's partnership with IBM focusing on blockchain technology. With IBM's support, ASU introduced its first blockchain course in Fall 2017. IBM also hosted the first-ever "hackathon" for students of 33 Historically Black Colleges and Universities in Atlanta that semester, and the ASU team won second place in the competition. Since Fall 2017, IBM has hired 12 ASU computer science graduates and several student interns.

Interim President Fedrick introduced Dr. Robert Owor, Chair of Mathematics and Computer Science at ASU, and students Myonna Douglass, Kevin McClendon, and Melody Collins. Under the guidance of Dr. Owor, this student team designed, developed, tested, and implemented industry-changing applications and hardware, including facial recognition tools, technology for the visually impaired, and a peer-to-peer lending platform. Blockchain technology can be used in several industries, including agriculture, transportation, healthcare, education, and finance, and it is an example of applying classroom knowledge to real-world situations.

FISCAL YEAR 2019 OPERATING BUDGET

Vice Chancellor for Fiscal Affairs Tracey Cook gave a presentation on the proposed Fiscal Year 2019 operating budget. The total Fiscal Year 2019 budget for the University System of Georgia is approximately \$9.1 billion, which includes funding from all unrestricted and restricted sources, and includes the allocation of state funds as approved by the Board of Regents in April 2018. This budget also reflects enrollment and other projections made

by each institution, which incorporate the tuition and fee rates approved by the Board in April 2018. With motion made and seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to approve the proposed budget.

ONEUSG UPDATE

Executive Vice Chancellor for Strategy and Fiscal Affairs Shelley Nickel and Vice Chancellor and Chief Information Officer Dr. Bobby Laurine provided an update on the OneUSG project.

HEALTHCARE UPDATE

Interim Vice Chancellor for Human Resources Karin Elliott provided an update on the University System of Georgia healthcare plan.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

The Chancellor began his report to the Board by honoring Regent Paul Bowers, who resigned to accept an appointment from the Governor to the Georgia Ports Authority. Chancellor Wrigley thanked Regent Bowers for his service to the University System and his unique perspective during his tenure on the Board. He then welcomed incoming Regent Chris Cumiskey, who joins the Board as Regent Bowers' successor. Regent Cumiskey is an alumnus of the University of Georgia and has extensive work experience in state government and the private sector.

Chancellor Wrigley congratulated the University System of Georgia's 32,000 Spring 2018 graduates and wished them well in their future endeavors. He commended Albany State University on its forthcoming nexus degrees in data analysis and blockchain technology and highlighted five other USG institutions that are developing financial technology degrees to meet the needs of the FinTech industry in Georgia. These are examples of how University System institutions are redesigning their curricula for the 21st century.

Chancellor Wrigley then shared several highlights and achievements from across the University System. He congratulated Columbus State University for winning the first Division II Men's Tennis Championship in its program's history. He also congratulated Dalton State College, which has become the first Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) in Georgia and one of the first HSIs in the southeastern United States. This federal designation makes the college eligible for grants that will benefit the entire campus and reflects the changing demographics of the community that the college serves. The Chancellor announced that South Georgia State College recently acquired a 56-passenger bus to help students and athletes get to events and games, and this motivated local retiree Jerry Richardson to make a donation to create a scholarship program. Chancellor Wrigley congratulated Valdosta State University on meeting its capital campaign goal 14 months ahead of schedule. He also commended the Georgia Institute of Technology Facilities Management team on its receipt of the 2018 APPA: Leadership in Educational Facilities Award for Excellence.

Chancellor Wrigley thanked USG Legal Counsel Brooke Bowen and the Board Policy Review Working Group for conducting a thorough review of the Board of Regents Policy Manual to make it more user-friendly and consistent. He also thanked University System Office staff who were recognized for their service to the University System of Georgia at a recent length of service ceremony.

Chancellor Wrigley concluded his remarks with a historical note regarding the establishment of airmail service in the United States. On this day in 1918, United States Postal Service pilots changed the course of commerce and made aviation history by delivering the first airmail between New York City and Washington, D.C. Postal Service pilots later established a transcontinental flying route and developed new navigational tools, effectively establishing the foundation for the commercial aviation network we rely on today.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Reports of the standing committees are attached hereto.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

There were no petitions or communications. Secretary to the Board Edward Tate announced that the next Board of Regents meeting will be held on August 14, 2018, at the University System Office in Atlanta.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Following the announcement on Petitions and Communications, Chairman Hull called for an executive session at approximately 1:56 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.

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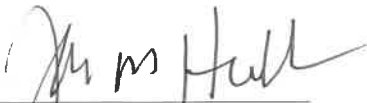
Following executive session, Chairman Hull reconvened the Board meeting in its regular session at approximately 3:00 p.m. and announced that the Board took no actions during the executive session.

With motions made and variously seconded, the Regents present unanimously approved:

1. The appointment of Dr. Michelle Johnson as the finalist for the presidency at the College of Coastal Georgia. The finalist will be presented for full Board of Regents consideration during a future meeting.
2. The reappointment of the Presidents of the 26 University System of Georgia institutions for the 2018-19 academic year, with the exception of Dr. Jaimie Hebert of Georgia Southern University, who is resigning to pursue other opportunities. Those serving as Interim Presidents will continue to serve in an interim capacity. The Board approved the compensation of each such president in the amount and character presented to the Board.
3. A two-year extension of the parameters of Georgia State University President Mark Becker's deferred compensation plan in a final form to be approved by the Chancellor.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 3:10 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
COMMITTEE ON INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS**

The Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 9:03 a.m. in Room 7007 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairman Donald M. Leebern called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Leebern, were Committee Vice Chairman Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III, and Regent Sachin D. Shailendra. Regent Sarah-Elizabeth Reed was excused.

ACTION ITEM

The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 4.5, Intercollegiate Athletics.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. The Committee recognized Brenda Stopher, Special Assistant to the President at Kennesaw State University, who assisted in completing the Fiscal Year 2018 Athletics Annual Reporting.
2. Vice Chancellor for Organizational Effectiveness John Fuchko, III, presented the Fiscal Year 2017 Annual Report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:29 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 10:18 a.m. in Room 7007 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; Regents C. Dean Alford; Chris Cummiskey; W. Allen Gudenrath; Erin Hames; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Laura Marsh; T. Rogers Wade; and Don L. Waters. Chancellor Steve Wrigley also was present. Unless otherwise noted, the Regents present approved all items unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

1. The Board approved the establishment of a Bachelor of Science with a major in Health and Wellness at Dalton State College.
2. The Board approved the establishment of an Education Doctorate in Curriculum and Instruction at Georgia College and State University.
3. The Board approved the establishment of a Bachelor of Science with a major in Political Science at Middle Georgia State University.
4. The Board approved the establishment of a Bachelor of Science with a major in Cybersecurity at the University of North Georgia.
5. The Board approved the establishment of a Doctor of Nursing Practice at the University of North Georgia.
6. The Board approved the establishment of the Center for Rural Prosperity and Innovation at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College.
7. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 3.2, Faculties.
8. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 3.3, Curriculum.
9. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 3.5, Grading System.
10. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 3.6, Creation and Elimination of Academic Programs.
11. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 3.8, Degrees.

CONSENT ITEM

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

DISCUSSION

Several Regents requested additional information regarding academic programs with low enrollment and codifying the review of such programs in policy. Dr. Tristan Denley, Chief Academic Officer, and Dr. Martha Venn, Deputy Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, agreed to provide additional information to the committee in Fall 2018.

INFORMATION ITEM

The chair of the Faculty Council and the president of the Student Advisory Council presented their annual updates to the committee.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:56 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 10:57 a.m. in Room 2104 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairman T. Rogers Wade called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Wade, were Regents C. Dean Alford, Chris Cumiskey, W. Allen Gudenrath, Erin Hames, Laura Marsh, Sarah-Elizabeth Reed, and E. Scott Smith. Board Chairman James M. Hull and Chancellor Steve Wrigley also were present.

INFORMATION ITEM

Lisa Armistead, Georgia State University Associate Provost, and Phillis Parker, Executive Director of the Center for Health Information Technology, gave an overview of a Georgia State University pilot program that was created in 2017 for students who are interested in working in Georgia's robust Health IT industry. Georgia is recognized as the nation's health information technology capital and is home to over 270 Health IT companies. The pilot program has been wildly successful and likely will be expanded to additional campuses in Fall 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:15 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 11:18 a.m. in Room 7007 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; Regents C. Dean Alford, Chris Cummiskey, W. Allen Gudenrath, Erin Hames, E. Scott Smith, and T. Rogers Wade. Also present were Board Vice Chairman Don L. Waters and Chancellor Steve Wrigley. Unless otherwise noted, the Board approved all items unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

1. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 1, Officers of the Board of Regents.
2. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 2, Institutional Governance.
3. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 4, Student Affairs.
4. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 6, Campus Affairs.
5. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 7, Finance and Business.
6. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 8, Personnel.
7. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 9, Facilities.
8. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 10, Information, Records, & Publications.
9. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 12, Miscellaneous.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Following the vote on the approval items, Chairwoman Marsh called for an executive session at approximately 11:25 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 11:44 a.m. and announced that no actions were taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 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 10:18 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.; Regents Bárbara Rivera Holmes; Donald M. Leeburn, Jr.; Sachin D. Shailendra; Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; Richard L. Tucker; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Regent Kessel D. Stelling, Jr., was excused. Unless otherwise noted, the Board approved all items unanimously.

ACTION ITEM

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

INFORMATION ITEM

The committee heard an information item on proposed revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Sections 8.2.21, Employment Appeals, and 8.6, Application for Discretionary Review.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for committee consideration, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:22 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 10:23 a.m. in Room 8003 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Vice Chairman Donald M. Leebern, Jr., called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Vice Chairman Leebern, were Regents Bárbara Rivera Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Sachin Shailendra; Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; Richard L. Tucker; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Regent Kessel D. Stelling, Jr., was excused. Board Chairman James M. Hull also was present. Unless otherwise noted, the Board approved all items unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Vice Chancellor for Fiscal Affairs Tracey Cook gave a presentation on the Fiscal Year 2018 Report on Third Quarter Revenues and Expenditures.
2. The committee heard an information item regarding proposed revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 7.11, Miscellaneous.

ACTION ITEMS

3. The Board approved the proposed online program tuition for the Doctor of Nursing Practice at the University of North Georgia.
4. The Board approved the establishment of a Campus Center Facility Fee at the Georgia Institute of Technology.
5. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 7.2, USG Budget.
6. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 7.3, Tuition and Fees.
7. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 7.5, Fund Management.
8. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 7.9, Contracts.
9. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 7.11, Miscellaneous.
10. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Sections 7.13, Retiree Health Benefit Fund Investment Policy, and 7.17, Other Post-Employment Benefits Funding Policy.
11. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 7.14, Identity Theft; Section 11, Information Technology (IT); and Section 7.12, Reserved.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:42 a.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 10:42 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.; Regents Bárbara Rivera Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Donald M. Leebern, Jr.; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; and Richard L. Tucker. Regent Kessel D. Stelling, Jr., was excused. Unless otherwise noted, the Board approved all items unanimously.

APPROVAL ITEMS

1. The Board approved the proposed System Office Internal Audit Plan and the institutional internal audit plans for July 2018 – December 2019 and authorized the University System of Georgia Chief Audit Officer to make revisions and modifications to the plans as needed.
2. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 7.10, Auditing, and the relocation of those policies to Section 7.9.
3. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 7.15, Risk Management, and the relocation of those policies to Section 7.11.
4. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 7.16, Compliance, and the relocation of those policies to Section 7.12.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:50 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 10:51 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 Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; Regents Bárbara Rivera Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Donald M. Leebern, Jr.; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Sachin D. Shailendra; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Regent Kessel D. Stelling, Jr., was excused. Board Chairman James M. Hull also was present. Unless otherwise noted, the Board approved all items unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Vice Chancellor for Real Estate & Facilities Jim James gave a presentation on three capital projects that recently received awards from the Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation.
2. Vice Chancellor James informed the Board of the potential disposition of approximately 27 acres of unimproved real property in Cartersville, Georgia.

ACTION ITEMS

3. The Board approved a resolution to issue 2019 General Obligation Bonds through the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission to fund several University System of Georgia projects.
4. The Board authorized Project No. BR-30-1803, Eco-Commons Living Building Challenge Sector, at the Georgia Institute of Technology.
5. The Board approved the proposed ranking of building commissioning firms for Project No. BR-50-1801, Science Park Phase III, at Georgia State University.
6. The Board approved the termination of a ground lease and rental agreement for the Student Wellness Center on the Bainbridge Campus of Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College.
7. The Board approved a transfer of real property on the Bainbridge Campus of Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College to the Technical College System of Georgia.
8. The Board approved the naming of the Synovus Center of Commerce and Technology at Columbus State University.
9. The Board approved the naming of the Charles Schwab Financial Planning Center at the University of Georgia.
10. The Board approved the naming of naming of Coca-Cola Plaza at the University of Georgia.
11. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 9.0, Facilities.
12. The Board authorized Project No. PPV-30-1801, Campus Center (Student Center Expansion/Renovation), at the Georgia Institute of Technology and approved the proposed ranking of design-build firms for the project.
13. The Board approved an acquisition of real property at 227 Mountain Drive, Dahlonega, for the University of North Georgia. Regent Philip A. Wilheit, Sr., recused himself from voting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:05 a.m.