MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

Atlanta, Georgia August 14, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met on Tuesday, August 14, 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 9:35 a.m. Present, in addition to Chairman Hull, were Vice Chairman Don L. Waters and Regents C. Dean Alford; Chris Cummiskey; W. Allen Gudenrath; Erin Hames; Bárbara Rivera Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Laura Marsh; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Sarah-Elizabeth Reed; Sachin D. Shailendra; E. Scott Smith; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; Richard L. Tucker; T. Rogers Wade; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Regent Donald M. Leebern, Jr., was excused.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Georgia State University Student Government Association Executive Vice President Christin Smith 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 May 15, May 22, June 5, and June 12, 2018.

ACTION TO APPOINT ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT

Chancellor Steve Wrigley presented a recommendation to appoint Interim President Marion Fedrick as President of Albany State University. With motion made and properly seconded, the Regents present unanimously voted to approve the appointment at a level of compensation to be negotiated by the Chancellor.

THREE MINUTE THESIS

Vice Chancellor of Communications & Government Relations Charles Sutlive introduced Ms. Kristin Leer and Ms. Naoko Uno, Ph.D. candidates from the University of Georgia who are participating in the Three Minute Thesis program. The Three Minute Thesis is an exercise that requires graduate students to effectively explain their research in language appropriate to a non-specialist audience in three minutes or less. Ms. Leer, a student of Integrative Conservation and Forestry and Natural Resources, discussed her research on the Mexican long-nosed bat and her search for new conservation strategies that will protect bats in rural communities in northeast Mexico. Ms. Uno, a student of Infectious Diseases, spoke of her quest to design a universal dengue vaccine that will protect against all four strains of the virus.

DELTA PROPEL – COLLEGIATE PILOT CAREER PATH

Middle Georgia State University (MGA) President Christopher Blake, MGA Dean of Aviation Adon Clark, and Delta Airlines First Officer Brent Knoblauch gave a presentation on a new partnership between MGA's School of Aviation and Delta Airlines. The goal of the Delta Propel program is to build a pipeline of pilots to replace the members of the current pilot force who are nearing retirement age. MGA is one of eight universities nationwide to participate in the program, which focuses on career paths that serve students, current Delta employees, and the Georgia community.

CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT: GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

Georgia Southern University (GSOU) Interim President Shelley Nickel introduced Dr. Tom Koballa, Dean of the College of Education, and Dr. Barbara Serianni, Assistant Professor of Special Education, who spoke about innovation in teacher education and preparing students for the workplace at GSOU. One example of an innovative

instructional approach at GSOU is the use of TeachLivE, a mixed-reality classroom simulator, to allow students to practice teaching in a simulated environment. TeachLivE helps students improve their instruction skills and techniques and build their confidence before entering the classroom. GSOU College of Education alumnae Becky Childs and Katie Powell shared their experiences with the TeachLivE simulator and how it prepared them for their work in real-life classrooms.

2019 HEALTHCARE PLAN

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 welcoming new University System of Georgia (USG) Presidents Dr. Kirk Nooks of Gordon State College, Dr. Michelle Johnston of the College of Coastal Georgia, and Dr. Pam Whitten of Kennesaw State University. He also welcomed Interim President Shelley Nickel of Georgia Southern University and congratulated Vice Chancellor for Leadership & Institutional Development Dr. Stuart Rayfield and Chief of Staff Ashley Jones on their new roles at the University System Office.

Chancellor Wrigley reported that the USG awarded 66,441 degrees in Fiscal Year 2018, representing a 2.3% increase from Fiscal Year 2017 and a 21% increase since the Complete College Georgia initiative began in 2011. He reiterated the USG's three primary goals of graduating more students, increasing affordability, and increasing efficiency. The Chancellor also emphasized the importance of the first year, referred to as the "Momentum Year," for incoming USG students. First-year students who follow a clearly sequenced course of study, get help to stay on track, and immediately pursue an area of academic interest are more likely to graduate. The USG is committed to helping first-year USG students build momentum by engaging in successful practices such as completing a full-time course load and passing required math and English courses as soon as possible in their academic careers.

The Chancellor then announced that the first College 2025 report has been completed. The College 2025 task force identified several recommendations for the System, including expanding training and professional development opportunities for faculty, using artificial intelligence to improve students' educational experience, deploying Georgia State University's chatbot to all USG campuses, and using predictive analytics in student academic advising. He also announced the creation of the Chancellor's Learning Scholars program, which will create faculty learning communities on each campus that are intended to modernize instructional methods to adapt to the new ways students learn.

Chancellor Wrigley then shared several highlights from across the University System. First, he thanked the members of the College 2025 task force for their effort and hard work. He also congratulated Governor Nathan Deal, Board Chairman James Hull, and everyone involved in the opening of the new Hull-McKnight cybersecurity facility in Augusta, Georgia. Last, he announced that the USG has been named the top four-year public university system in the nation for its enrollment of military veterans under the GI Bill by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the *Military Times*.

Chancellor Wrigley concluded his remarks with a historical note. In this month in 1931, the State Reorganization Act created the Board of Regents for the newly unified University System of Georgia. The Board charged the campuses to work together in a "structure free from wasteful duplications, but providing the maximum of educational opportunity to the students of the state."

COLLEGE 2025

Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Dr. Tristan Denley and Georgia College and State University President Steve Dorman presented a report on the work of the College 2025 task force. College 2025 began as a working group charged with exploring the new role of higher education in 2025 and potentially reshaping the future of the state's public higher education system. The committee's recommendations for the System include increasing adaptability, focusing on essential skills, encouraging lifelong learning, and forming new partnerships

with outside groups in order to expand student opportunities.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Reports of the standing committees are attached hereto.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Secretary to the Board Edward Tate announced that the next Board of Regents meeting will be held on September 11, 2018, at the University System Office in Atlanta.

Secretary Tate announced that a new platform for Board of Regents meeting materials called BoardEffect will be rolled out in September.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Following the announcement on Petitions and Communications, Chairman Hull called for an executive session at approximately 1:37 p.m. to discuss personnel matters involving several institutions. 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 2:55 p.m. and announced that the Board took no actions during the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

James M. Hull

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

Secretary, Board of Regents University System of Georgia



Proposed 2019 Meeting Dates

January 9 (Wednesday)

February 12 (Tuesday)

March 12 (Tuesday)

April 16/17 - Away Board Meeting (Tuesday/Wednesday)

May 14 (Tuesday)

August 8 (Thursday)

September 10 (Tuesday)

October 15/16 - Away Board Meeting (Tuesday/Wednesday)

November 12 (Tuesday)

Approved August 14, 2018, by the Board of Regents.

Edward M. Tate Secretary, Board of Regents

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE & COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

The Executive & Compensation Committee of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 9:00 a.m. in Room 8026 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Board Chairman James M. Hull called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Hull, were Board Vice Chairman Don L. Waters and Regents Chris Cummiskey; W. Allen Gudenrath; Bárbara Rivera Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Laura Marsh; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Sarah-Elizabeth Reed; Sachin D. Shailendra; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; Richard L. Tucker; T. Rogers Wade; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Regent Donald M. Leebern, Jr., was excused. Unless otherwise noted, the Board approved all items unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:01 a.m., Chairman Hull called for an executive session to discuss litigation and 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 Hull reconvened the committee in its regular session at 9:19 a.m. and announced that no actions were taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 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 10:21 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 and Regents C. Dean Alford; Chris Cummiskey; W. Allen Gudenrath; Erin Hames; Laura Marsh; and T. Rogers Wade. Unless otherwise noted, the Regents present approved all items unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1. Chief Academic Officer Dr. Tristan Denley provided an overview of the development and approval process of the nexus degree.
- 2. The committee was informed of an action taken pursuant to the Chancellor's delegated authority to allow the Georgia Institute of Technology to offer a Master of Science in Cybersecurity by Distance Learning through Massive Open Online Technology.

ACTION ITEMS

- 3. The Board approved the establishment of a nexus degree in blockchain with machine learning at Albany State University.
- 4. The Board approved the establishment of a nexus degree in blockchain with data analytics at Albany State University.
- 5. The Board approved the establishment of a nexus degree in film production at Columbus State University.
- 6. The Board approved the establishment of a Bachelor of Science with a major in environmental and sustainability studies at Dalton State College.
- 7. The Board approved the establishment of a Bachelor of Science with a major in rehabilitation sciences at Middle Georgia State University.
- 8. The Board approved the establishment of a Bachelor of Arts with a major in East Asian Studies at the University of North Georgia.
- 9. The Board approved the establishment of a Bachelor of Science with a major in healthcare services and informatics administration at the University of North Georgia.
- 10. The Board approved the establishment of a Masters of Jurisprudence at Georgia State University.
- 11. The Board approved the termination of several academic degrees at Clayton State University and Columbus State University.
- 12. The Board approved the addition of Georgia Highlands College as an eMajor Affiliate Institution.
- 13. The Board approved the authorization of border state resident out-of-state tuition differential waivers for 14 University System of Georgia institutions.

CONSENT ITEMS

14. The Board approved an endorsement by Georgia Highlands College (GHC) President Don Green to

articulate the GHC Bachelor of Science with a major in dental hygiene with the Associate of Science in dental hygiene at Lanier Technical College

- 15. The Board approved the establishment of several named faculty positions at the Georgia Institute of Technology, Georgia State University, and the University of Georgia.
- 16. The Board approved new faculty appointments at Augusta University, the Georgia Institute of Technology, Georgia State University, and the University of Georgia.

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 ORGANIZATION AND LAW

The Committee on Organization and Law of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 10:59 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, and Regents C. Dean Alford, Chris Cummiskey, W. Allen Gudenrath, Erin Hames, E. Scott Smith, and T. Rogers Wade. Unless otherwise noted, the Board approved all items unanimously.

ACTION ITEM

1. The Board approved Georgia Highlands College entering into mutually beneficial emergency services arrangements with the City of Rome Police Department, the Floyd County Police Department, and the Bartow County Sheriff's Office.

INFORMATION ITEM

2. The committee reviewed an action taken pursuant to the Chancellor's delegated authority to confer the title of President Emeritus of Georgia Gwinnett College to Dr. Daniel J. Kaufman.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairwoman Marsh called for an executive session at approximately 11:01 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.

With motion made and properly seconded, the Regents present continued BOR Policy 6.26 cases 2488, 2496, and 2498 to their respective institutions in order to obtain further information.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:26 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 10:27 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; Sachin D. Shailendra; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; Richard L. Tucker; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Board Chairman James M. Hull, Board Vice Chairman Don L. Waters, and Chancellor Steve Wrigley also were present. Regent Donald M. Leebern, Jr. was excused. Unless otherwise noted, the Board approved all items unanimously.

APPROVAL ITEMS

- 1. With motion made and properly seconded, the Board unanimously approved the 2019 Healthcare Plan Changes and Premiums.
- 2. With motion made and properly seconded, the Regents present approved the 2019 Medicare Eligible Retiree Healthcare Contribution.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for committee consideration, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:49 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 10:49 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.; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Sachin D. Shailendra; Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; Richard L. Tucker; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Committee Vice Chairman Donald M. Leebern, Jr., was excused. Board Chairman James M. Hull, Board Vice Chairman Don L. Waters, and Chancellor Steve Wrigley also were present. Unless otherwise noted, the Board approved all items unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEM

1. The committee was informed of an action taken pursuant to the Chancellor's delegated authority to allow the Georgia Institute of Technology to offer a Master of Science in Cybersecurity by Distance Learning through Massive Open Online Technology.

ACTION ITEM

2. The Board approved the proposed revision to the Augusta University Dental College tuition for Fiscal year 2019.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:52 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 10:52 a.m. in Room 8003 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairman Sachin D. 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.; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; and Richard L. Tucker. Board Chairman James M. Hull, Board Vice Chairman Don L. Waters, and Chancellor Steve Wrigley also were present. Regent Donald M. Leebern, Jr., was excused. Unless otherwise noted, the Board approved all items unanimously.

APPROVAL ITEMS

- 1. The Board approved the appointment of Dr. Tan Smith as the Interim University System Chief Audit Officer.
- 2. The Board approved revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 8.2.18.2, Conflicts of Interest and Conflicts of Commitment.

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 REAL ESTATE & FACILITIES

The Committee on Real Estate & Facilities of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 10:57 a.m. in Room 8003 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington Street SW, in Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairman Regent Richard L. Tucker called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Tucker, were Committee Vice Chairman Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; and Regents Bárbara Rivera Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Sachin D. Shailendra; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Board Chairman James M. Hull, Board Vice Chairman Don L. Waters, and Chancellor Steve Wrigley also were present. Regent Donald M. Leebern, Jr., was excused. Unless otherwise noted, the Regents present approved all items unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEM

1. Vice Chancellor for Real Estate & Facilities Jim James provided the Committee with a written report of real estate actions taken under delegated authority between March 1 and June 30, 2018.

CONSENT ITEMS

- 2. The Board authorized project no. BR-90-1901, Parking Lot, Marietta Campus, at Kennesaw State University.
- 3. The Board approved the proposed design professional firm rankings for project no. BR-30-1803, Eco-Commons Living Building Sector, at the Georgia Institute of Technology.
- 4. The Board approved the proposed program management firm rankings for project no. BR-50-1801, Science Park Phase III, at Georgia State University
- 5. The Board approved the proposed program management firm rankings and design professional firm rankings for project no. J-326, Integrated Science Complex, at Georgia College & State University.
- 6. The Board approved the proposed program management firm rankings and design professional firm rankings for project no. J-327, Convocation Center, at Georgia State University.
- 7. The Board approved the proposed program management firm rankings and design professional firm rankings for project no. J-328, Academic and Student Success Renovations, at Middle Georgia State University.
- 8. The Board approved the proposed program management firm rankings for project no. J-329, Lanier Tech Campus Space Rehabilitation and Infrastructure, at the University of North Georgia.
- 9. The Board approved the proposed program management firm rankings and design professional firm rankings for project no. J-330, College of Business Building, at the University of West Georgia.
- 10. The Board authorized the naming of Roy Richards Sr. Hall at the University of West Georgia.
- 11. The Board authorized the naming of Reid and Cynthia Parker South Tower Lobby and Lou Sobh Honda Gate at Sanford Stadium at the University of Georgia.
- 12. The Board authorized a naming transfer to the Dr. Joseph W. Holley Fine Arts Center at Albany State University.

APPROVAL ITEMS

- 13. The Board authorized project no. BR-10-1901 at the Center for Art and Nature at the State Botanical Garden of Georgia.
- 14. The Board authorized the demolition of buildings at 1105 Fifteenth Street in Augusta for Augusta University.
- 15. The Board authorized the allocation of Fiscal Year 2019 Major Repair and Rehabilitation funds to 13 USG institutions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:18 a.m.