

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**MINUTES**

University of Connecticut  
Wilbur Cross Building  
North Reading Room  
233 Glenbrook Road  
Storrs, Connecticut

February 5, 2019

**OPEN SESSION**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Thomas E. Kruger. The following Trustees were present: Governor Ned Lamont, Charles F. Bunnell, Shari G. Cantor, Andrea Dennis-LaVigne, Marilda L. Gandara, Thomas E. Kruger, Thomas D. Ritter, Philip E. Rubin, Samuel Surowitz, and Nandan Tumu.

Trustees Andy Bessette, Mark L. Boxer, Richard T. Carbray, Jr., Sanford Cloud, Jr., Melody A. Currey, Jeanine A. Gouin, David Kooris, Rebecca Lobo, Denis J. Nayden, Kevin J. O'Connor, and Dianna R. Wentzell participated by telephone.

The following University staff were present: President Herbst, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Kennedy, Executive Vice President for Administration and Chief Financial Officer Jordan, Executive Vice President for Health Affairs Agwunobi, Vice President for Communications Kendig, Vice President for Enrollment Planning and Management Fuerst, Vice President for Global Affairs Weiner, Vice President for Student Affairs Gilbert, Vice President for Research Maric, Interim Associate Vice President for Diversity and Inclusion Wilder, Athletic Director Benedict, General Counsel Gelston, Executive Secretary to the Board Rubin, and Deputy Chief of Staff Kirk,

Senate Representatives Rajeev Bansal and Anji Seth were in attendance.

1. Public Participation (limited to agenda item)

There were no members of the public who wished to address the Board.

2. Appointment of University President

Chairman Kruger welcomed the president, ex officio of the University of Connecticut Board of Trustees, Governor Ned Lamont, and thanked him for his strong support for the University and for higher education throughout the State.

Chairman Kruger noted that a special meeting was convened today to appoint the 16th president of the University of Connecticut. He expressed his gratitude for the numerous individuals involved in the search process, which began last summer and culminated into a national search that considered a wide variety of candidates, including traditional and non-traditional. In the end, the Advisory Search Committee for President identified an outstanding candidate, Dr. Thomas C. Katsouleas, most recently Executive Vice President and Provost of the University of Virginia.

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Chairman Kruger emphasized that UConn made great progress during the last eight years under the leadership of President Susan Herbst. The Board will always be grateful to her dedication and efforts.

Chairman Kruger asked for a motion and a second to approve the resolution to appoint Dr. Thomas C. Katsouleas as the University of Connecticut's 16th President effective August 1, 2019. Governor Lamont motioned, seconded by Dr. Rubin.

After Board discussion, the Board voted unanimously on the appointment of a new president.

Chairman Kruger introduced Dr. Thomas C. Katsouleas, who spoke briefly to the Board.

3. Adjournment

Chairman Kruger announced that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Wednesday, February 27, 2019.

There being no further business appearing, the Board meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Dennis-LaVigne  
Secretary