

**UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

MINUTES

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

March 27, 2019

OPEN SESSION

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Chairman Thomas E. Kruger. Trustees Andy Bessette, Charles F. Bunnell, Richard T. Carbray, Jr., Sanford Cloud, Jr., Andrea Dennis-LaVigne, Jeanine A. Gouin, Thomas E. Kruger, Thomas D. Ritter, and Nandan Tumu were in attendance.

Trustees Shari G. Cantor, Melody A. Currey, Marilda L. Gandara, Denis J. Nayden, Kevin J. O'Connor, Philip E. Rubin, and Samuel Surowitz participated by telephone.

Trustees Mark L. Boxer, David Lehman, Rebecca Lobo, Dianna R. Wentzell, and Paul Mounds, Jr., Governor Lamont's designee, were not in attendance.

The following University staff were present: President Herbst, Interim Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Elliott, 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 Research Maric, Vice President for Student Affairs Gilbert, Vice President for Global Affairs Weiner, Associate Vice President for Human Resources Delello, Athletic Director Benedict, General Counsel Gelston, Executive Secretary to the Board Rubin, Deputy Chief of Staff Kirk, Ombuds Wohl, Executive Director of Employee Relations Buffkin, and Associate Director of Employee Relations Bannister.

Senate Representatives Sulin Ba, Rajeev Bansal, Eleni Coundouriotis, Anji Seth, and Jaci VanHeest were in attendance.

1. Public Participation

Dr. Casey Youngflesh and Graduate Employee Union President Mary Bugbee addressed the Board about postdoctoral collective bargaining.

2. Chairman's Report

(a) Matters outstanding

Chairman Kruger noted that Governor Lamont recently nominated Bryan P. Hurlburt as Commissioner-designate of the Department of Agriculture. He thanked Commissioner Melody A. Currey for serving as Acting Commissioner during the interim period. He also congratulated her on her many contributions in both state and local government.

Chairman Kruger congratulated Nandan Tumu on his re-election to the Board. He will serve a full term as undergraduate student Trustee effective July 1. Currently, Mr. Tumu is serving the unexpired term of Christine Savino.

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(b) Minutes of the meeting of February 27, 2019

On a motion by Mr. Cloud, seconded by Mr. Ritter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 27, 2019.

(c) Consent Agenda Items:

On a motion by Mr. Besette, seconded by Mr. Tumu, the Board voted to approve the Consent Agenda items.

- (1) Contracts and Agreements for the Storrs-based Programs (Attachment 1)
and UConn Health

(Trustee Ritter abstained from voting on Attachment 1. Trustee Cloud abstained from voting on Item #4 in Attachment 1.)

- (2) Tenure at Hire (Attachment 2)

- (3) Sabbatical Leave Recommendations (Attachment 3)

- (4) Reappointment of Professor Richard Sosis to the James Barnett Professorship in Humanistic Anthropology in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (Attachment 4)

3. President's Report

James Wohl, University Ombuds, gave a brief overview of the functions of the Ombuds Office.

4. Academic Affairs Committee Report

- (a) Report on Committee activities

5. Financial Affairs Committee Report

- (a) Report on Committee activities

- (b) Items requiring Board discussion and approval:

Mr. Kruger motioned, seconded by Mr. Tumu, to remove the Fiscal Year 2020 Fee Schedules from the agenda. After discussion, the Board voted unanimously to remove this item.

- (1) Fiscal Year 2020 Fee Schedules (Attachment 5)

On a motion by Mr. Kruger, seconded by Mr. Ritter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following project budgets.

Project Budgets (Storrs-based):

- (2) Project Budget (Final) for Academic & Research Facilities – Homer Babbidge Library Renovations (Attachment 6)

- (3) Project Budget (Final) for Horsebarn Hill Pedestrian Safety Improvements (Attachment 7)

- (4) Project Budget (Final) for Public Safety Building Improvements (Attachment 8)

- (5) Project Budget (Revised Final) for University Athletics District Development (Attachment 9)

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- (6) Project Budget (Final) for the Burton Family Football Complex Locker Replacement (Attachment 10)
- (7) Project Budget (Final) for the George J. Sherman Family-Sports Complex Field Restoration (Attachment 11)
- (8) Project Budget (Design) for Landscape Barn and Administrative Building Replacement (Attachment 12)

Project Budgets (UConn Health):

- (9) Project Budget (Revised Final) for the UConn Health Main Building, Clinical Area (“C”) Roof Replacement (Attachment 13)
- (10) Project Budget (Revised Final) for the UConn Health New Construction and Renovation – Clinic (C) Building Renovations (Attachment 14)
- (11) Project Budget (Design) for the UConn Health Dermatology Clinic Renovation – C Main (Attachment 15)
- (12) Project Budget (Design) for the UConn Health Operating Room #1 (TG514) Fit-Out (Attachment 16)

- 6. UConn Health Report
 - (a) Report on UConn Health activities
- 7. Joint Audit and Compliance Committee Report
 - (a) Report on Committee activities
- 8. Buildings, Grounds and Environment Committee Report
 - (a) Report on Committee activities
- 9. Construction Management Oversight Committee Report
 - (a) Report on Committee activities
 - There was no Report on Committee activities.
- 10. Student Life Committee Report
 - (a) Report of Committee activities
- 11. Institutional Advancement Committee Report
 - (a) Report on Committee activities
 - There was no Report on Committee activities.
- 12. Committee on Compensation Report
 - (a) Report on Committee activities
 - There was no Report on Committee activities.
- 13. Other business

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14. Executive Session anticipated

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Mr. Tumu, seconded by Mr. Cloud, the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 10:40 a.m. to discuss:

1. Records pertaining to strategy and negotiations with respect to pending claims or pending litigation to which the public agency is a party until such litigation or claim has been finally adjudicated or otherwise settled pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 1-210(b)(4); and
2. Trade secrets that derive independent economic value, actual or potential, from not being generally known to, and not being readily ascertainable by proper means pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 1-210(b)(5)(A); and
3. Commercial or financial information given in confidence, not required by statute pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 1-210(b)(5)(B); and
4. Preliminary drafts and notes whose disclosure does not outweigh the public benefit of withholding them pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 1-210 (b)(1); and
5. Records, reports and statements of strategy or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining pursuant to 1-210(b)(9).

Trustees Bessette, Carbray, Cloud, Dennis-LaVigne, Kruger, Ritter, and Tumu were in attendance.

Trustees Cantor, Currey, Gandara, Nayden, O'Connor, Rubin, and Surowitz participated by telephone.

Trustees Bunnell and Gouin were present for part of the Executive Session.

The following University staff were present for the entire Executive Session: President Herbst, Executive Vice President for Administration and Chief Financial Officer Jordan, Vice President for Communications Kendig, General Counsel Gelston, Executive Secretary to the Board Rubin, and Deputy Chief of Staff Kirk.

The following University staff were present for part of the Executive Session: Interim Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Elliott, Athletic Director Benedict, Associate Vice President for Human Resources Delello, Executive Director of Employee Relations Buffkin, and Associate Director of Employee Relations Bannister.

The Executive Session ended at 12:29 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to Open Session at 12:29 p.m.

15. Adjournment

Chairman Kruger announced that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Wednesday, April 24, 2019.

There being no further business appearing, the Board meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Dennis-LaVigne
Secretary