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TELEPHONE MEETING

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES

Meeting held by Telephone June 24, 2020

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(Note that the meeting was recorded.)

The telephone meeting was called to order at 8:31 a.m. by Chairman Daniel D. Toscano.

The following Trustees participated in the meeting: Trustees Andy Bessette, Mark L. Boxer, Charles F. Bunnell, Shari G. Cantor, Sanford Cloud, Jr., Andrea Dennis-LaVigne, Justin Fang, Marilda Gandara, Jeanine A. Gouin, Rebecca Lobo, Kevin J. O'Connor, Bryan K. Pollard, Thomas D. Ritter, Philip E. Rubin, Daniel D. Toscano, and Renukanandan Tumu.

Trustees Miguel A. Cardona, Bryan K. Hurlburt, David Lehman, and Paul Mounds, Jr., Governor Lamont's designee, were not in attendance.

Also in attendance was Student Trustee-elect Ethan Werstler.

The following University staff participated in the meeting: President Katsouleas, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Lejuez, Executive Vice President for Administration and Chief Financial Officer Jordan, UConn Health Executive Vice President for Health Affairs and Chief Executive Officer Agwunobi, Vice President for Communications Kendig, Vice President for Research, Entrepreneurship and Innovation Maric, Vice President for Enrollment Planning and Management Fuerst, Vice President for Student Affairs Gilbert, Vice President for Global Affairs Weiner, Athletic Director Benedict, Executive Secretary to the Board Rubin, General Counsel Gelston, Senior Advisor/Assistant Vice President for Communications Kirk, Associate Vice President for Budget and Planning Blanchard, UConn Health Chief Financial Officer Geoghegan, Associate Vice President of Public Safety and Chief of Police Rhynhart, Associate Vice President for Human Resources Delello, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students Daugherty, and Emergency Management Director Shea.

University Senate Representatives Rajeev Bansal, Mark Boyer, Sandra Chafouleas, Maria-Luz Fernandez, Carol Polifroni, Anji Seth, Jaci Van Heest, and David Yalof also participated.

Due to some technical difficulties, Chairman Toscano suspended the Public Participation portion of the meeting and moved to Items (a), (b), and (c) of the Chairman's Report. Chairman Toscano then resumed Public Participation, and then followed the regular agenda order.

2. Chairman's Report

(a) Matters outstanding

(b) Board recognitions

On a motion by Mr. Fang, seconded by Dr. Rubin, the Board voted unanimously to approve a resolution for outgoing Trustee Renukanandan Tumu.

(c) Minutes of the meetings of May 20 and June 12, 2020

On a motion by Dr. Dennis-LaVigne, seconded by Ms. Gouin, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meetings of May 20 and June 12, 2020.

1. Public Participation

The following addressed the Board on several University issues:

Glenn Allen, Jr.
Steven Le Warn
Michael Whittlesey
Joanne Littleton
Angelo Rossetti
Sara Sykes
Steven Cousin
Daniel Wilson
Jason Wertz
Katherine Hollay
Thomas Bontly
Dr. Ibrahim Elali
Michael Roy
Derek Yush
Jennifer Sanford

(d) Consent Agenda Items:

On a motion by Mr. Bessette, seconded by Dr. Rubin, the Board voted to approve the Consent Agenda items:

(Trustee Ritter abstained from voting on Item 1 of the Consent Agenda.)

(1)	Contracts and Agreements	(Attachment 1)
(2)	Promotion and Tenure	(Attachment 2)
(3)	Designation of Emeritus Status	(Attachment 3)
(4)	Appointment of Retired Faculty to Emeritus Status	(Attachment 4)
(5)	Sabbatical Leave Recommendations	(Attachment 5)
(6)	Appointment of Sandra M. Chafouleas, PhD, to a Neag Professorship in the Neag School of Education	(Attachment 6)
(7)	Appointment of Jinbo Bi, PhD, to the Frederick H. Leonhardt Computer Science Chair in the School of Engineering	(Attachment 7)
(8)	Appointment of George Bollas, PhD, to the United Technologies Corporation Chair in Advanced Systems Engineering in the School of Engineering	(Attachment 8)

(9) Reappointment of Richard D. Pomp, JD, as the Alva P. Loiselle Professor of Law in the School of Law (Attachment 9)

(10) Reappointment of Steven Wilf, JD, PhD, as the Anthony J. Smits Professor of Global Commerce in the School of Law (Attachment 10)

(11) Reappointment of Angel Oquendo, JD, PhD, as the George J. and Helen M. England Professor of Law in the School of Law (Attachment 11)

(12) Reappointment of Peter Siegelman, PhD, as the Philip I. Blumberg Professor of Law in the School of Law (Attachment 12)

(13) New Graduate Certificate in Life Story Practice and Research (Attachment 13)

(14) New Graduate Remote Sensing and Geospatial Data Analytics Certificate (Attachment 14)

(15) New Undergraduate Major in Multidisciplinary Engineering (Attachment 15)

3. President's Report

(a) Presentation: Reopening Plan for the Fall Semester

President Katsouleas, Associate Vice President Rhyhart, Provost Lejuez, and Associate Vice President Daugherty presented an update of the reopening plan for the Fall Semester.

4. Academic Affairs Committee Report

(a) Report on Committee activities

(b) Informational Items:

(1) Academic Program Inventory (Attachment 16)

(2) Centers and Institutes (Attachment 17)

5. Financial Affairs Committee Report

(a) Report on Committee activities

(b) Presentation: FY21 Spending Plan (Attachment 18)
Presenters: Executive Vice President for Administration and Chief Financial Officer Jordan
Executive Vice President for Health Affairs Agwunobi

(c) Items requiring Board discussion and approval:

(1) Proposed Second Amended and Restated Master Agreement and Statement of Work for the UConn Foundation for Fiscal Year 2021 (Attachment 19)

Dr. Dennis-LaVigne stated that the Statement of Work between the University and the UConn Foundation for Fiscal Year 2021 was considered and amended at the June 16 Special Meeting of the Institutional Advancement Committee. The Committee approved an amendment to provide stable funding for alumni relations activities and services. Since that meeting, additional recommendations have been proposed. Trustee Ritter provided a brief background on the specific programmatic considerations. The proposed amendment would replace the current language in the Statement of Work FY 21, Section 3(c)(1) under "Aligning Fundraising with University Priorities."

Mr. Ritter motioned, seconded by Mr. Boxer, to amend the Statement of Work FY 21 as follows:

"Continue to focus fundraising activities around supporting need-based financial aid for University students. Use reasonable efforts to raise gifts and commitments for student support, including, but not limited to, scholarships, assistantships, fellowships, awards, and prizes, that equal not less than fifteen percent (15%) of the total amount of all gifts and commitments raised during the Period. As part of these efforts, establish a plan with the President to reach his stated goal to fully fund in-state students eligible for the University's Connecticut Commitment program. This will include efforts to fund scholarships for those who are recognized as Promise Scholars from Hartford, New Haven or other Promise programs that may be established, including Bridgeport and Waterbury, and that such funds will be counted toward the goal established for the Connecticut Commitment program, if the scholar would have otherwise been eligible for the Connecticut Commitment."

The Board voted unanimously in favor of the amendment.

On a motion by Mr. Pollard, seconded by Mr. Ritter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the resolution as amended.

On a motion by Mr. Tumu, seconded by Mr. Boxer, the Board voted unanimously to approve Attachments 20 – 26.

Budget Items (Storrs-based and UConn Health):

(2)	Spending Plan for Fiscal Year 2021 for the University of Connecticut, Storrs and Regional Campuses	(Attachment 20)
(3)	Spending Plan for Fiscal Year 2021 for UConn Health	(Attachment 21)
(4)	Fiscal Year 2021 Capital Budget for the University of Connecticut, Storrs and Regional Campuses	(Attachment 22)

Bond Allocations:

(5)	Twenty-Seventh Supplemental Indenture Authorizing University of Connecticut General Obligation Bonds	(Attachment 23)
(6)	Revised Allocation of Bond Authorizations as set forth in the Twentieth Supplemental Indenture (University of Connecticut General Obligation Bonds)	(Attachment 24)
(7)	Revised Allocation of Bond Authorizations as set forth in the Twenty-Second Supplemental Indenture (University of Connecticut General Obligation Bonds)	(Attachment 25)
(8)	Revised Allocation of Bond Authorizations as set forth in the Twenty-Third Supplemental Indenture (University of Connecticut General Obligation Bonds)	(Attachment 26)

On a motion by Ms. Gandara, seconded by Dr. Rubin, the Board voted unanimously to approve the project budget in Attachment 27.

Project Budget (Storrs-based):

(9)	Project Budget (Final) for Wired Access Layer Infrastructure Refresh – Phase II	(Attachment 27)

Vice-Chair Bessette left the meeting at this time.

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
10. Student Life Committee Report
    (a) Report of Committee activities
11. Institutional Advancement Committee Report
    (a) Report on Committee activities
12. Committee on Compensation Report
    (a) Report on Committee activities
13. Committee for Research, Entrepreneurship and Innovation Report
    (a) Report on Committee activities
14. Committee for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Report
    (a) Report on Committee activities
15. Other business
16. Executive Session anticipated

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Mr. Pollard, seconded by Dr. Dennis-LaVigne, the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 1:27 p.m. regarding:

1. Discussion concerning the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health or dismissal of a public offer or employee, provided that such individual may require that discussion be held at an open meeting pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 1-200 (6)(A).

The following Trustees were in attendance: Trustees Boxer, Bunnell, Cantor, Cloud, Dennis-LaVigne, Fang, Gandara, Gouin, Pollard, Ritter, Rubin, Toscano, and Tumu.

Trustees Lobo and O'Connor were in attendance for part of the Executive Session.

Executive Secretary to the Board Rubin was also in attendance.

The Executive Session ended at 1:38 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to Open Session at 1:38 p.m.

17. Adjournment

Chairman Toscano announced that the next regular meeting of the Board was scheduled for Wednesday, September 30.

On a motion by Mr. Bessette, seconded by Dr. Rubin, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

There being no further business appearing, the Board meeting adjourned at 1:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Dennis-LaVigne
Secretary