

**TELEPHONE MEETING  
UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**MINUTES**

Meeting held by Telephone

November 18, 2020

The telephone meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. by Chairman Daniel D. Toscano.

The following Trustees participated: 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 Ethan Werstler.

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

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, Vice President for Research, Entrepreneurship and Innovation Maric, Vice President for Global Affairs Weiner, Executive Secretary to the Board Rubin, Chief of Staff and General Counsel Gelston, and Senior Advisor to the President/Assistant Vice President for Communications Kirk.

University Senate Representatives Rajeev Bansal, Maria-Luz Fernandez, Carol Polifroni, Jaci Van Heest, and David Yalof also participated.

1. Public Participation

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

2. Chairman's Report

(a) Matters outstanding

(b) Minutes of the meeting of October 28, 2020

On a motion by Dr. Boxer, seconded by Mr. Fang, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting of October 28, 2020.

(c) Consent Agenda Items:

On a motion by Dr. Rubin, seconded by Mr. Bunnell, 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) Modification of Naming Recommendation for the Prospero Chair in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (Attachment 2)

November 18, 2020

- (3) Modification of Naming Recommendation for the  
Titania Chair in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology  
in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

(Attachment 3)

3. Executive Session

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Mr. Pollard, seconded by Dr. Rubin, the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 8:11 a.m. regarding:

1. Discussion concerning the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health or dismissal of a public officer 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).

Trustee Bessette left the meeting at this time.

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

Trustee Lehman joined the meeting for part of the Executive Session.

Executive Secretary to the Board Rubin was in attendance for the entire Executive Session.

The Executive Session ended at 9:58 a.m.

**OPEN SESSION**

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:59 a.m.

4. Adjournment

Chairman Toscano asked announced that the next regular meeting of the Board was scheduled for Wednesday, December 9.

On a motion by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Fang, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

There being no further business appearing, the Board meeting adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Dennis-LaVigne  
Secretary