

**UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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

September 27, 2023

The Board of Trustees meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Board Vice-Chair Andrea Dennis-LaVigne on behalf of Board Chair Daniel D. Toscano.

The following Trustees participated in person: Trustees Andy F. Bessette, Joshua Crow, Andrea Dennis-LaVigne, Jeanine A. Gouin, Aanya Mehta, Bryan K. Pollard, Thomas D. Ritter, and Philip E. Rubin.

The following Trustees participated by video or telephone: Trustees Charles F. Bunnell, Shari G. Cantor, Alexandra Daum, Marilda L. Gandara, Bryan P. Hurlburt, Kevin J. O'Connor, Charlene M. Russell-Tucker, Daniel D. Toscano, and Jonathan Dach, Governor Lamont's designee.

Trustees Mark L. Boxer, Sanford Cloud, Jr., and Rebecca Lobo were not in attendance.

The following University Senate Representatives attended the meeting in person: Karen Bresciano, Joanne Conover, Jeffrey McCutcheon, Angela Rola, Edward Weingart, and Michael White.

The following University Senate Representatives participated by video or telephone: Alexander Agrios, Joseph MacDougald, and D. Betsy McCoach.

The following University staff attended the meeting in person: President Radenka Maric, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Anne D'Alleva, Executive Vice President for Finance and Chief Financial Officer Jeffrey Geoghegan, UConn Health Interim Executive Vice President for Health Affairs and Chief Executive Officer Bruce Liang, Executive Secretary to the Board Rachel Rubin, Chief of Staff Michelle Williams, General Counsel Nicole Gelston, Vice President for Student Life and Enrollment Nathan Fuerst, Vice President for Communications Tysen Kendig, Vice President and Chief Information Officer Michael Mundrane, Vice President for Global Affairs Daniel Weiner, Vice President for Research, Innovation and Entrepreneurship S. Pamir Alpay, Associate Vice President for Communications Michael Kirk, Associate Vice President, Master Planner and Chief Architect Laura Cruickshank, Associate Vice President for Budget, Planning and Institutional Research Reka Wrynn, Interim Associate Vice President for Facility Operations Stanley Nolan, Deputy General Counsel Nathan LaVallee, and Senior Associate University Counsel Leslie Salafia.

OPEN SESSION

1. Public Participation

The following students addressed the Board on behalf of Fossil Fuel Free UConn: Adam Opin, Dylan Steer, Colin Rosadino, Lillian Adamo, Monet Paredes, Thomas Bonitz, and Nell Srinath.

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2. Chairman's Report

(a) Matters Outstanding

Board Vice-Chair Dennis-LaVigne congratulated Trustee Bryan Pollard for his re-election to a second four-year term as Alumni Trustee, effective September 1.

Board Vice-Chair Dennis-LaVigne also welcomed Professor D. Betsy McCoach, Professor of Research Methods, Measurement, and Evaluation, in the Department of Educational Psychology, as a new University Senate Representative to the Board. Professor McCoach replaced Professor Sebastian Wogenstein on the Academic Affairs Committee, effective July 1.

(b) Minutes of the meeting of June 28, 2023

On a motion by Trustee Pollard, seconded by Trustee Rubin, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting of June 28, 2023.

(c) Consent Agenda Items:

On a motion by Trustee Bessette, seconded by Trustee Crow, the Board voted to approve the Consent Agenda items.

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| (1) | Contracts and Agreements
(Trustee Ritter abstained from voting on Attachment 1.) | (Attachment 1) |
| (2) | Annual Report of the Endowed Chair Program Entitled
"Aetna English Chair of Writing" | (Attachment 2) |
| (3) | FY 2023 Capital Expenditures | (Attachment 3) |
| (4) | School of Medicine Tuition and Fee Rates for
2024–25 and 2025–26 Academic Years | (Attachment 4) |
| (5) | Project Budget (Final) for Electric Vehicle Charging
Infrastructure and Service Upgrades | (Attachment 5) |
| (6) | Project Budget (Final) for Hydrogen Fuel Dispenser | (Attachment 6) |
| (7) | Project Budget (Final) for Eversource Second Electrical Feed | (Attachment 7) |
| (8) | Project Budget (Revised Final) for South Campus
Infrastructure, Phases 1 – 3 | (Attachment 8) |
| (9) | Project Budget (Planning) for the UConn Health University
Tower 7th Floor Pharmacy Fit-Out | (Attachment 9) |
| (10) | Project Budget (Design) for the UConn Health Outpatient
Pavilion 3rd Floor Backfill | (Attachment 10) |
| (11) | Project Budget (Design) for the UConn Health Outpatient
Pavilion X-Ray and Blood Draw Relocation | (Attachment 11) |
| (12) | Project Budget (Design) for the UConn Health
Musculoskeletal Institute Rehabilitation Expansion | (Attachment 12) |
| (13) | Project Budget (Design) for the UConn Health Cryo
Electron Microscope Installation | (Attachment 13) |
| (14) | Project Budget (Final) for the UConn Health Fluoroscopy
Equipment Replacement and Renovation | (Attachment 14) |

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- (15) Project Budget (Final) for the UConn Health Muscular Skeletal Institute Chiller Replacement (Attachment 15)
- (16) Project Budget (Final) for the UConn Health Central Sterile Washer and Sterilizer Replacement (Attachment 16)
- (17) Project Budget (Final) for the UConn Health New England Sickle Cell Institute Renovation (Attachment 17)
- (18) Project Budget (Final) for the UConn Health Cadaver Lab Renovation and Air Handling Unit Replacement (Attachment 18)
- (19) Project Budget (Final) for the UConn Health Cell and Genome Sciences Building Data Center Cooling System Upgrades (Attachment 19)
- (20) Project Budget (Final) for the UConn Health 16 Munson Road Emergency Lighting and Egress Upgrades (Attachment 20)
- (21) Project Budget (Revised Final) for the UConn Health TB-121 Blood Bank Relocation (Attachment 21)
- (22) Project Budget (Revised Final) for the UConn Health 16 Munson Road Parking Lot Paving (Attachment 22)
- (23) Project Budget (Revised Final) for the UConn Health 836 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury Clinical Practice Relocation (Attachment 23)
- (24) Project Budget (Revised Final) for the UConn Health 5 Munson Road Clinical Fit-Out (Attachment 24)
- (25) Tenure at Hire (Attachment 25)
- (26) Designation of Emeritus Status (Attachment 26)
- (27) Sabbatical Leave Recommendations (Attachment 27)
- (28) Appointment of Associate Professor Ali Bazzi as the Charles H. Knapp Associate Professor in Electrical Engineering in the School of Engineering (Attachment 28)
- (29) Appointment of Associate Professor Matthew Stuber to the Pratt & Whitney Associate Professorship in Advanced Systems Engineering in the School of Engineering (Attachment 29)
- (30) Appointment of Dr. Liang Zhang to the Pratt & Whitney Associate Professorship in Advanced Systems Engineering in the School of Engineering (Attachment 30)
- (31) Nicole D. Gabelman CLAS '12 Bench at the W.B. Young Building (Attachment 31)
- (32) UConn Foundation Named Gift Guidelines (Attachment 32)
- (33) Student Life Committee Membership (Attachment 33)
- (34) Annual Reports of Endowed Chairs (UConn Health) (Attachment 34)
- (34) Appointment of Associate Professor Jessica Rouge to the Paul Krenicki Professorship of Chemistry in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (Attachment 34)

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3. President's Report
4. Academic Affairs Committee Report
 - (a) Report on Committee activities
 - (b) Item requiring Board discussion and approval:

On a motion by Trustee Rubin, seconded by Trustee Pollard, the Board voted unanimously to rename the School of Engineering to the College of Engineering, the Department of Computer Science and Engineering to the School of Computing, and the Department of Mechanical Engineering to the School of Mechanical, Aerospace and Manufacturing Engineering.

 - (1) Proposal for the College of Engineering, including the School of Computing and School of Mechanical, Aerospace and Manufacturing Engineering (Attachment 35)
 - (c) Community Engagement Presentation

Presenter: Dr. Indrajeet Chaubey, Dean
College of Agriculture, Health and Natural Resources
5. Financial Affairs Committee Report
 - (a) Report on Committee activities

Informational Item:

 - (1) 2023 Finance Corporation Report of Operations (Attachment 36)
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 on Committee activities
11. Institutional Advancement Committee Report
 - (a) Report on Committee activities
12. Committee for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Report
 - (a) Report on Committee activities
 - (b) Presentation: UConn after the U.S. Supreme Court Decisions: Race in Admissions

Presenters: Vice President for Student Life and Enrollment Fuerst
Senior Associate University Counsel Salafia

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13. Committee on Compensation Report
 - (a) Report on Committee activities
There was no Report on Committee activities.
14. Committee for Research, Entrepreneurship and Innovation Report
 - (a) Report on Committee activities
15. Other Business
No Other Business was presented to the Board.
16. Executive Session anticipated

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Trustee Crow, seconded by Trustee Bunnell, the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 11:10 a.m. regarding:

1. Preliminary drafts or notes provided the public agency has determined that the public interest in withholding such documents clearly outweighs the public interest in disclosure [CGS Section 1-210(b)(1)]; and
2. Records pertaining to strategy and negotiations with respect to pending claims or pending litigation to which the public agency or a member thereof, because of the member's conduct as a member of such agency, is a party until such litigation or claim has been finally adjudicated or otherwise settled [CGS Section 1-210(b)(5)]; and
3. 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 [CGS Section 1-200(6)(A)].

The following Trustees were in attendance: Bessette, Bunnell, Cantor, Crow, Dach, Daum, Dennis-LaVigne, Gandara, Gouin, Hurlburt, Mehta, O'Connor, Pollard, Ritter, Rubin, and Toscano.

The following University staff were in attendance for the part of the Executive Session: Maric, D'Allewa, Cruickshank, Fuerst, Gelston, Geoghegan, Kendig, Kirk, LaVallee, Nolan, Rubin, Williams, and Wrynn.

The Executive Session ended at 12:35 p.m., and the Board returned to Open Session at 12:35 p.m.

17. Adjournment

On a motion by Trustee Pollard, seconded by Trustee Crow, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The Board meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Dennis-LaVigne
Secretary