



University System of Maryland Board of Regents
Towson University
October 21, 2011

Minutes of the Public Session

1. Call to Order. Chairman Johnson called the meeting of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents to order at 8:36 a.m. on Friday, October 21, 2011 at the Towson University. Those in attendance were: Chairman Johnson; Regents Attman, Augustine, Florestano, Gossett, Hance, Kelly, Kinkopf, McMillen, Shea, Slater, Vance, and Wojciechowski; Chancellor Kirwan, Vice Chancellors Goldstein, Hogan, Moultrie, and Vivona; Assistant Attorneys General Faulk and Short; Presidents: Aldridge, Avery, Boesch, Burnim, Loh, Interim President Mortimer Neufville, Perman, Melanie Perreault (for Dudley-Eshbach), Philip Rous (for Hrabowski), Steve Spahr (for Gibraltar), Anita Thomas (for Bogomolny), and Interim President Marcia Welsh; Ms. Doyle, and USM Staff.
2. Remarks from Senator Barbara Mikulski. Senator Mikulski expressed to the Board of Regents how proud she was of the University System of Maryland and the role and activities the institutions or taking to ensure leadership in Cyber Security. She explained how critical it is to the nation that our Universities produce a well qualified workforce in information assurance to maintain our leadership and defend our security. She also provided a brief update on the Congressional activities and the fiscal outlook for the nation.
3. Welcome from the Towson University (TU). Interim President Marcia Welsh welcomed the regents to Towson University and provided an update on the status of TU.
4. Committee of the Whole.
 - a. Approval of meeting minutes from September 9, 2011 Public Session. (Moved by Regent Attman, seconded by Regent Kelly; unanimously approved.)
 - b. Approval of meeting minutes from September 9, 2011 Executive Session. (Moved by Regent Attman, seconded by Regent Kelly; unanimously approved.)
 - c. Approval of meeting minutes from October 6-7, 2011 Board Retreat. (Moved by Regent Gossett, seconded by Regent Kelly; unanimously approved.)
 - d. Extension of Waiver of Certain Residency Requirements for Relocating Civilian Employees of the U.S. Armed Forces and Defense Contractor Employees under

BRAC 2005. (Moved by Regent Gossett, seconded by Regent McMillen; unanimously approved.)

- e. Chancellor's Report. Chancellor Kirwan welcomed the new president for Towson University, Dr. Maravene Loeschke, and thanked the presidential search committee led by Regent Louise Michaux Gonzales and Dr. Marcia Welsh, who has served as acting president.

Dr. Kirwan highlighted a number of accomplishments of the USM institutions. He also reported that the USM received very favorable debt ratings from all three bond rating agencies, which reflects the sound financial stewardship of the USM and also saves a significant amount of money.

The Chancellor highlighted that the USM will hold its seventh Way2GoMaryland event on Saturday, November 12, 2011 at Coppin State University. He also noted that the USM's strategic plan is moving forward and making progress; he has made presentations on the plan to a number of business groups and a detailed progress report will be provided later this year.

Dr. Kirwan reported that the UMCP – UMB Merger Study is on track. The Chancellor and the Board of Regents have received numerous letters, comments, and emails and two USM-sponsored public hearings are scheduled.

5. Report of Councils

- a. Council of University System Presidents. President Burnim presented the report of the Council. The Council discussed the agenda for the BOR Retreat scheduled for October 6/7, the Strategic Plan goals of enhanced retention and graduation and increases in enrollments, proposed changes to USM Policy on Appointment, Rank, Tenure, the participation fee for the ACU Presidents' Climate Commitment, funding for academic facilities renewal, a variety of issues relating to salaries and benefits for FY 2013, and the feedback received from a survey of campus maternity leave benefits.
- b. Council of University System Faculty. Dr. Shirazi provided the report of the Council. The Council discussed issues related to shared governance and adjunct faculty, were presented an update on Race to the Top - A Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers, and Common Core, and were provided an update on the joint committee reports - UMCP-UMB Merger Study, Baltimore City Study, Coppin Study - and three separate committees involving intercollegiate athletics. The Council also discussed a proposed change in the USM tenure and promotion policy.
- c. Council of University System Staff. Mr. Brown provided the report of the Council. The Council discussed the Board of Regents' Awards, including the timeline for the Awards, and the UMB/UMCP Merger study and public hearings. The council also discussed their goals for 2011-2012 which included increased communication between CUSS and campus councils and with institution Presidents and senior administration, the 2012 legislative agenda, and the Board of Regents' progress on the UMCP/UMB Merger Study.
- d. University System of Maryland Student Council. Mr. Welsh provided the Council report. The Council elected Jacob Goldberg from the University of Baltimore to be

Council secretary, approved the language in the application for student regent and the search process will begin later this month, and unanimously passed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws that would grant full voting rights to the regional higher education center representatives to the Council. The Council was briefed by Ms. Anna Bedford, Council representative and president of the Graduate Student Association at the University of Maryland, College Park, on a pending lobbying effort for the University to adopt a Graduate Assistant Parental Leave Policy. The Council also discussed the possibility of hosting or facilitating a system-wide college newspaper summit as a way to open communication between college newspapers in various system campuses and also discussed the merger study between the University of Maryland, College Park and the University of Maryland, Baltimore.

6. Finance Committee. Regent Kelly provided the committee report.
 - a.-d. Approval of meeting minutes from September 1, 2011 Public Session and Executive Session; Approval of meeting minutes from October 6, 2011 Public Session and Executive Session. (Moved by Regent Attman, seconded by Regent Florestano; unanimously approved.)
 - e. Bowie State University: Facilities Master Plan Update. Regent Kelly reported that the Committee reviewed this as an information item.
 - f. Frostburg State University Facilities Master Plan Update. (Moved by Regent Kelly, seconded by Regent Kinkopf; unanimously approved.)
 - g. University System of Maryland: Review of Capital Improvement Projects. Information item reviewed by Committee.
 - h. University System of Maryland: Report on FY 2010 Procurement Contracts. Information item reviewed by Committee.

7. Education Policy Committee. Regent Florestano provided the Committee report.
 - a. Approval of meeting minutes from September 21, 2011 Public Session. (Moved by Chairman Johnson, seconded by Regent Attman; unanimously approved.)
 - b. Creation at Coppin State University of a College of Health Professions. (Moved by Regent Florestano, seconded by Regent Slater; unanimously approved.)
 - c. Report on General Education at FSU. Information item.
 - d. PARCC: Partnership for Readiness in College and Careers (Common Core State Standards Assessment Consortium). Information item.
 - e. Report on Program Actions Delegated to the Chancellor, 2010-2011. Information item.
 - f. Status of Reports Required by 2011 Joint Chairmen's Report. Information item.
 - g. Role and Function of the BOR Education Policy Committee. Information item.
 - h. Tentative Annual Agenda 2011-2012. Information item.

8. Committee on Advancement. Regent Gossett presented the Committee report which included a status report on the FY 2012 Campaign.

9. Economic Development and Technology Commercialization Committee. Regent Attman presented the Committee report.

a.-d. Approval of meeting minutes from June 14, 2011 Public Session and Executive Session; Approval of meeting minutes from September 1, 2011 Public Session and Executive Session. (Moved by Regent Kelly, seconded by Regent Florestano; unanimously approved.)

10. Audit Committee. Regent Augustine presented the Committee report.

a. Approval of meeting minutes from October 7, 2011 Closed Session. (Moved by Chairman Johnson, seconded by Regent Slater; unanimously approved.)

11. Reconvene to Executive Session. (Chairman Johnson moved, Regent Vance and it was unanimously approved to reconvene in Executive Session.) The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 a.m.