Minutes of the Public Session

Call to Order. Chairman Shea called the meeting of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents to order at 8:31 a.m. on Friday, December 7, 2012 at Coppin State University. Those in attendance were: Chairman Shea; Regents Attman, Augustine, Florestano, Michaux Gonzales, Gooden, Gossett, Hershkowitz, Kelly, Kinkopf, McMillen, Slater, Vance, and Young; Chancellor Kirwan, Vice Chancellors Boughman, Hogan, Moultrie, Raley, and Vivona; Assistant Attorneys General Faulk and Short; Presidents Bell, Boesch, Bogomolny, Burnim, Provost Diane Allen (for Dudley-Eshbach), Gibraltar, Loeschke, Loh, Provost Marie Cini (for Miyares), Hrabowski, Neufville, and Perman; USM Council representatives; Ms. Doyle, Ms. Ryan, and USM Staff.

Educational Forum on Stimulating Entrepreneurship and Innovation throughout the USM.

Regent Attman provided an overview highlighting the significant efforts of the USM in supporting and stimulating entrepreneurship and innovation at USM institutions.

Welcome from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. Dr. Hrabowski welcomed the regents to the University of Maryland, Baltimore County and provided an update on the status of UMBC.

1. Committee of the Whole.
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from December 7, 2012 Public Session. (Moved by Regent Shea, seconded by Regent Michaux Gonzales; unanimously approved.)

   b. Approval of meeting minute notes from December 7, 2012 Executive Session. (Moved by Regent Shea, seconded by Regent Slater; unanimously approved.)

   c. Report on the USM’s Implementation of Policies to Improve the Status of Graduate Assistants and Adjunct Faculty. Vice Chancellor Joseph Vivona presented the report.
d. Chancellor’s Report. Chancellor Kirwan thanked President Hrabowski and the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) for hosting the meeting and highlighted some of the remarkable things happening on the campus. He also reviewed the highlights of USM institution activities, rankings, accomplishments and recognitions. He noted that UMCP Professor of Physics Sylvester James Gates received the National Medal of Science—the highest honor the president can bestow upon an American scientist. He also reported that Regent Gary Attman’s company, FutureCare, was named the best Baltimore area company to work for a second year in a row and, in a national survey conducted by the Philadelphia-based Workplace Dynamics; FutureCare was named the 30th best company to work for in America.

The Chancellor then discussed the governor’s 2014 budget recommendations for the University System of Maryland, which provides $1.2 billion in state funds for the USM, a funding increase of $82.3 million, which represent a 7.7 percent increase.

Of the $82.3 million, $57.9 million is for current services, or mandatory cost increases, and $24.4 million is for enhanced funding in vital areas of state and USM needs - STEM and health education; tech transfer and commercialization; and academic transformation and college completion. These are priorities Maryland’s leaders have established as the areas that will propel the state forward, both economically and socially, well into the future. USM will further advance progress in these areas with an additional $10 million of internal institutional funds, bringing total enhancement funding to more than $34 million. The Governor’s budget proposal would also enable USM to keep tuition increases modest (3 percent), advancing Maryland’s reputation as a national leader in keeping college affordable and, more importantly, improving access and affordability for the students. He also reported that there are 30 or more pieces of legislation that have the potential to affect the USM and higher education, with impacts ranging from operational and financial to academic.

The Chancellor emphasized the affordability of USM institutions noting that the cost of attending a public university in Maryland for in-state students has risen a mere 2 percent, after adjusted for inflation, since 2007, which is this the smallest increase in the nation. USM moved from having the 6th highest tuition in the nation down to 26th. He also noted other achievements of the USM system, including the enrollment of a record number of students, increases in both retention and completion, a narrowing of the achievement gaps, enhancements in quality and acceleration in the USM impact on the State’s economy.

The Chancellor thanked student regent Steven Hershkowitz, the chair of the USM Student Council Zach Cohen, and UMCP Student Government Association President Samantha Zwerling for testifying before the legislature on behalf of the USM.


a. Council of University System Faculty. Dr. Zimmerman provided the report of the Council. CUSF held two meetings since the last BOR meeting. These meetings
focused on shared governance, provisions of the BOR Policies on tuition remission (motion passed by CUSF) and sick leave, as well as the CUSF motion on academic freedom and the Regents’ Faculty awards. CUSF approved a motion to make modifications to the tuition remission policy. In addition, the CUSF membership asked the Executive Committee to be responsible for publishing an article in the Faculty Voice.

b. Council of University System Presidents. President Burnim provided the report of the Council. At the January 7, 2013 CUSP meeting, the presidents discussed the FY 2014 proposed budget, the status of meet and confer agreements and important topics of interest from the CUSP retreat. At the February 4, 2013 meeting, the presidents discussed a number of issues relating to the legislative session, the non-exempt pay plan and USM tuition waiver policy.

c. University System of Maryland Student Council. Mr. Jesse Fox reported on the Council activities on behalf of Zach Cohen. Recent Council activities include the STEM funding workgroup, the shared governance evaluation workgroup and planning for a University System-wide student lobbying day, which is scheduled to take place on February 28th.

d. Council of University System Staff. Mr. Brown reported on the Council activities. On December 11, 2012, the Council discussed implementation of the new smoking policy, proposing that a task force be created to brainstorm ideas for implementation and enforcement, and a proposal for a System-wide employee assistance program (EAP). The Council met again on January 22 and discussed the proposed FY 2014 budget and communication strategies for CUSS support.

3. Committee on Education Policy and Student Life.
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from January 16, 2013 Public Session. (Moved by Regent Michaux Gonzales, seconded by Regent Gossett; unanimously approved.)

   b. Approval of meeting notes from January 16, 2013 Executive Session. (Moved by Regent Michaux Gonzales, - Regent Slater noted that his title is “Mr.” not “Dr.” - seconded by Regent Attman; unanimously approved with the correction.)

   c. New Academic Program Proposals.
      i. UB: Master of Science in Forensic Science. (Moved by Regent Michaux Gonzales, seconded by Regent Kelly; unanimously approved.)
      ii. UMB: Master of Science in Regulatory Science. (Moved by Regent Michaux Gonzales, seconded by Regent Florestano; unanimously approved.)
      iii. UMBC: Bachelor of Arts in Global Studies. (Moved by Regent Michaux Gonzales, seconded by Regent Augustine; unanimously approved.)
      iv. UMUC: Master of Science in Data Analytics. (Moved by Regent Michaux Gonzales, seconded by Regent Kelly; unanimously approved.)
v. UMUC: Bachelor of Science in Health Services Management. (Moved by Regent Michaux Gonzales, seconded by Regent Hershkowitz; unanimously approved.)

vi. UMUC: Bachelor of Science in Public Safety Administration. (Moved by Regent Michaux Gonzales, seconded by Regent Gooden; unanimously approved.)

vii. UMUC: Bachelor of Science in Nursing for Registered Nurses. (Moved by Regent Michaux Gonzales, seconded by Regent Gooden; unanimously approved.)

d. Results of Periodic Reviews of Academic Programs. Regent Michaux Gonzales presented the report.

e. External Funding Report. Regent Michaux Gonzales presented the report.


4. Committee on Finance.
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from January 24, 2013 Public Session. (Moved by Regent Kelly, seconded by Regent Michaux Gonzales; unanimously approved.)

b. Approval of meeting notes from January 24, 2013 Executive Session. (Moved by Regent Kelly, seconded by Regent Michaux Gonzales; unanimously approved.)

5. Committee on Economic Development and Technology Commercialization.
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from January 24, 2013 Public Session. (Moved by Regent Attman, seconded by Regent Hershkowitz; unanimously approved.)

b. Approval of meeting notes from January 24, 2013 Executive Session. (Moved by Regent Attman, seconded by Regent McMillen; unanimously approved.)

6. Committee on Advancement.
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from February 6, 2013 Public Session. (Moved by Regent Gossett, seconded by Regent Vance; unanimously approved.)

b. Approval of meeting notes from February 6, 2013 Executive Session. (Moved by Regent Gossett, seconded by Regent Michaux Gonzales; unanimously approved.)

c. Gift-related Naming Policy. (Moved by Regent Shea, seconded by Regent Slater; unanimously approved.)

d. Campaign Report. Regent Gossett presented the report.

7. Committee on Audit.
   a. Approval of meeting notes from December 19, 2012 Executive Session. (Moved by Regent Augustine, seconded by Regent Slater; unanimously approved.)

8. Committee on Organization and Compensation.
a. Approval of meeting notes from January 29, 2013 Executive Session. (Moved by Regent Kinkopf, seconded by Regent Gossett; unanimously approved.)

9. Reconvene to Executive Session. Regent Gossett moved for the adjournment of the meeting, seconded by Regent Michaux Gonzales, unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.