Minutes of the Public Session

Call to Order. Chairman Brady called the meeting of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents to order at 8:31 a.m. on Friday, December 9, 2016 at Bowie State University. Those in attendance were: Chairman Brady; Regents Augustine, Enriquez, Fish, Gooden, Gossett, Gourdine, Holzapfel, Johnson, Neall, Pevenstein, Pope, Rauch, and Slater; Presidents Bell, Boesch, Burnim, VPAF Marvin Pyles (for Dudley-Eshbach), Hrabowski, Loh, Miyares, Nowaczyk, Perman, Schatzel, Schmoke, and Thompson; Chancellor Caret, Vice Chancellors Boughman, Hogan, Moultrie, Raley, Sadowski, and Vivona; Ms. Doyle, and AAG Bainbridge.

Welcome from the Bowie State University (BSU). President Burnim welcomed the regents and highlighted accomplishments of BSU.

I. Committee of the Whole.

   a. Approval of meeting minutes from October 21, 2016 Public and Closed Sessions; and November 30, 2016 Public and Closed Session of the Board Retreat. (Moved by Regent Pope, seconded by Regent Johnson; unanimously approved.)

   b. Revision to Biennial Exempt Salary Structure Adjustment for Fiscal Years 2017 and 2018. (Moved by Regent Gossett, seconded by Regent Gooden; unanimously approved.)

   c. Chancellor’s Report. Chancellor Caret thanked President Mickey Burnim and Bowie State University for hosting. He made note of President Burnim’s retirement in June 2017 and highlighted some of his accomplishments while at BSU. Chancellor Caret also highlighted a number of accomplishments across the USM.

   He provided an update on the budget reduction plan submitted by Governor Hogan that reduces USM’s current FY 2017 budget by $14.2 million, or just over 1 percent. He detailed the plan that USM will follow and said that the system will do all it can to avoid layoffs. He also noted that the FY 2018 budget is in the formation stage and that he will keep the system informed as it progresses.

   Chancellor Caret highlighted the on-going B-Power effort between University of Baltimore and Coppin State University. He gave an update on his regional “van tour”, where he will spend a day in various parts of the state listening to business needs. He briefed the regents on the USM Early Stage Investment Fund, launched last month, which is USM’s first-ever venture capital fund. The Chancellor also noted
that the USM is ready to work with the new administration as it implements higher education policy.


a. Council of University System Presidents. President Perman presented the CUSP report. CUSP met on November 7th and topics discussed included online-hybrid courses, the USM scorecard, goals from the CUSP retreat, meeting with the other councils, USM’s participation in Light City, Title IX complaint handling, workforce and economic development, and a briefing on the FY 18 budget. Topics discussed at the December 5th meeting included the FY 18 budget, a USM economic and workforce development plan, a collective bargaining status update, the Light City festival, the Faculty Workload Report, the Millenium Leadership Institute, interagency agreements, the use of criminal history questions in admissions applications, and a debrief of the Board of Regents retreat.

b. University System of Maryland Student Council. No report was presented.

c. Council of University System Staff. Ms. Larkins presented the CUSS report. CUSS met in October and November. She highlighted the continued work of the Staff Awards and Recognition Committee, as well as the other standing committees. She highlighted a council concern: who do staff go to if they have a workplace concern? CUSS is going to do some research into what institutions have ombudspersons and the impact of the service. Ms. Larkins also shared some highlights from the joint council meeting in which a number of Regents participated.

d. Council of University System Faculty. Dr. Kauffman presented the CUSF report. CUSF held two meetings and an ExCom meeting since the last Board of Regents meeting. Topics discussed included the mission statement, vision, and strategic plan which were passed at the October meeting, the joint council meeting, and a motion to reaffirm the collective bargaining motion that supports the 11/16/10 motion. Dr. Kauffman highlighted the issue of social media and its role in shared governance. He also raised the issue of bullying and professional conduct for faculty.

3. Committee on Audit.

a. Approval of meeting minutes from October 19, 2016 Public and Closed Sessions. (Moved by Regent Augustine, seconded by Regent Gooden; unanimously approved.)
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from November 17, 2016 Public Session. (Moved by Regent Brady, seconded by Regent Gossett; unanimously approved.)

5. Committee on Education Policy and Student Life.
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from November 15, 2016 Public and Closed Sessions. (Moved by Regent Slater, seconded by Regent Johnson; unanimously approved.)
   b. New Academic Program Proposals
      i. University of Maryland, Baltimore County: Bachelor of Science in Translational Life Science Technology. (Moved by Regent Slater, seconded by Regent Gourdine; unanimously approved.)
      ii. University of Maryland University College: Bachelor of Science in Homeland Security. (Moved by Regent Slater, seconded by Regent Johnson; unanimously approved.)
   c. Opening Fall 2016 Enrollment and FY 2017 Estimated FTE Report. Regent Slater presented the report.
   d. Report on the Instructional Workload of the USM Faculty. Regent Slater presented the report.
   e. USM P-20: First in the World Maryland Mathematics Reform Initiative. Regent Slater presented the report.

6. Committee on Organization and Compensation.
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from November 21, 2016 Public and Closed Sessions. (Moved by Regent Gooden, seconded by Regent Gossett; unanimously approved.)
   b. Review of Committee Charge. (Moved by Regent Gooden, seconded by Regent Pope; unanimously approved.)
   c. BOR Policy Review: VI-6.10: Policy on Records Management. (Moved by Regent Gossett, seconded by Regent Pope; unanimously approved.)
   d. Compensation Study. Regent Gooden presented the report.

7. Committee on Finance.
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from November 17, 2016 Public and Closed Sessions. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Gooden; unanimously approved.)
   c. Coppin State University: Facilities Master Plan Update. Regent Pevenstein presented the report.
   d. Committee Charge. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Pope; unanimously approved.)
   e. University System of Maryland: Resolution Regarding Designation of Signatories in Connection with Auxiliary Facility and Tuition Revenue Bonds. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Pope; unanimously approved.)
f. Proposed Revision to Board of Regents Policy VIII-14.00—Policy on Investments and Loans to Maryland-based Businesses that are Affiliated with USM Institutions. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Gossett; unanimously approved.)

g. University of Maryland, Baltimore: Demolition of Three Structures Located at 114-120 North Greene Street, Baltimore, Maryland. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Pope; unanimously approved.)

h. University of Maryland, Baltimore County: Food Service Contract Amendment. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Gooden; unanimously approved.)

i. Towson University: Increase Authorization for University Union Addition and Renovation. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Gourdine; unanimously approved.)

j. Towson University: Increase Authorization for Recreation Building Phase 2—Burdick Addition. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Gourdine; unanimously approved.)

k. Towson University: Increase Authorization for Residence Tower Renovation. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Gourdine; unanimously approved.)

8. Committee on Advancement.

   a. Year-to-date Fundraising Report. Regent Gossett presented the report.

9. Reconvene to Closed Session. Chairman Brady read the “convene to close” statement citing the topics for the closed session and the relevant statutory authority for closing the meeting under 3-305(b) and 3-103(a)(1)(i). (Moved by Regent Brady, seconded by Regent Gooden; unanimously approved.)

Meeting adjourned at 10:14 a.m.