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 8:36 a.m. on Friday, October 20, 2017 at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore. Those in attendance were: Chairman Brady; Regents Attman, Augustine, Bartenfelder, Dennis, Fish, Gooden, Gourdine, Johnson, Neall, Pope, Rauch, and Shorter; Presidents Breaux, Dudley-Eshbach, Ms. Lynn Rehn (for Goodwin), Hrabowski, Loh, Miyares, Nowaczyk, Perman, Dr. Timothy Chandler (for Schatzel), Schmoke, and Thompson; Chancellor Caret, Vice Chancellors Hogan, Neal, Raley, Sadowski, and Vivona; Ms. Doyle, and AAG Bainbridge.

Educational Forum – ExcelMD Initiative. Chancellor Caret and Vice Chancellor Sadowksi led a presentation on the ExcelMD Initiative and how it will provide more economic growth and innovation across the state of Maryland.

Welcome from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore (UMES). Dr. Kimberly Whitehead welcomed the regents in the absence of Dr. Bell and highlighted accomplishments of UMES.

Chancellor’s Report. Chancellor Caret provided a brief report to the Regents, as well as a full report online. He thanked President Bell and UMES for hosting and highlighted some recent accomplishments. He also made note of some of some great things happening at other USM institutions. Chancellor Caret ended his report by recognizing President Dudley-Eshbach’s retirement from Salisbury University after 18 years.

1. Report of Councils
   a. University System of Maryland Student Council (USMSC). Mr. Fabbi presented the USMSC report. The USMSC met on October 1st. Topics discussed included a resolution in support of the BRIDGE Act and legislation codifying the DACA program, a student leadership shared governance survey, and Title IX changes.
   b. Council of University System Staff (CUSS). Ms. Gray presented the CUSS report. CUSS met on September 29th. The Executive Committee discussed goals for the upcoming year including inviting an ombudsperson to an upcoming meeting, developing a shared governance survey for staff, advocating on behalf of staff during legislative session, and conducting an efficiency survey. Each committee also developed their own goals. Additionally, the council discussed presidential salary increases and President Dudley-Eshbach’s departure.
c. Council of University System Faculty (CUSF). Dr. Kauffman presented the CUSF report. CUSF held an ExCom meeting on September 11th and a Council meeting on September 20th. The Council meeting was held at USG, which was the first time the Council met at one of the RHECs. This location served the purpose of bringing faculty attention to RHECs and encouraging faculty to work with their presidents on issues associated with them. A member of the Towson University Retired Faculty Association (TURFA) spoke to the Council about how it could serve as a model on other campuses. CUSF passed resolutions relating to an ombudsperson and DACA. Dr. Kauffman provided commentary on academic dishonesty in the digital age, a thank you to the CUSF members reviewing the FMLA and Family Leave policies, and an update on the joint ombudsperson resolution.

d. Council of University System Presidents (CUSP). Dr. Perman presented the CUSP report. CUSP met on October 2nd and topics included updates on the FY 19 enhancement request, a new EU privacy policy that may affect USM institutions, OAG salaries and services, the Department of Education Office of Civil Rights interim guidelines, CUSP Retreat topics, the CUSP policy, the use of TASERs on campuses, and the Campaign Leadership Summit.

2. Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was presented to the regents by Chairman Brady. He asked if there were any items on the agenda that should be removed for further discussion. There were no requests to remove any items; therefore, Chairman Brady moved and Regent Pope seconded the motion to accept the consent agenda; it was unanimously approved. The items included were:

a. Committee of the Whole
   i. Approval of meeting minutes from September 15, 2017 Public and Closed Sessions (action)
   ii. Approval of meeting minutes from October 3, 2017 Public Session of a Special Board Meeting (action)

b. Committee on Organization and Compensation minutes from October 3, 2017 Public and Closed Sessions (action)

c. Committee on Finance
   i. Approval of meeting minutes from September 7, 2017 and October 3, 2017 Public and Closed Sessions (action)
   ii. Establishment of a $50M Quasi-endowment Fund to Provide Facilities Renewal Funding for State-Supported Facilities (action)
   iii. University System of Maryland: Official Intent Resolution of Reimbursement of System Cash Balances Spent on Revenue Bond-Authorized Projects (action)
   iv. Salisbury University: Increased Authorization for Severn Residence Hall Renovation (action)
   v. University System of Maryland: Summary of Intercollegiate Athletics Workgroup Review of Program Finances (information)
d. Committee on Education Policy and Student Life
   i. Approval of meeting minutes from September 19, 2017 Public Session (action)
   ii. New Academic Program Proposals (action)
      1. Towson University: Master of Science in Management and Leadership Studies
      2. UMUC: Conversion of Existing Area of Concentration in Acquisition and Supply Chain Management to Master of Science in Acquisition and Contract Management
      3. UMUC: Restructuring of Existing Area of Concentration in Information Assurance to Master of Science in Cyber Operations
      4. UMUC: Restructuring of Existing Area of Concentration in Public Relations to Master of Science in Strategic Communications
   iii. Proposed Amendments: USM Policy on Undergraduate Admissions (III-4.00) (action)
   iv. Report on Intercollegiate Athletics (information)
   v. Inclusion and Diversity Update (information)
   vi. Report on Academic Program Actions Delegated to the Chancellor, 2016-2017 (information)
   vii. Tentative Annual Agenda, 2017-2018 (information)

e. Committee on Advancement
   i. Approval of meeting minutes from October 11, 2017 Public Session (action)
   ii. Fundraising Totals for FY17 (information)

3. Review of Items Removed from Consent Agenda. There were no items removed from the Consent Agenda.

4. Committee Reports
   a. Committee of the Whole
      i. Update on Status of Southern Maryland Higher Education Center Merger Discussions with USM. There was a presentation by Joe Anderson, Darryll Pines, and Joe Vivona.

   b. Committee on Organization and Compensation.
      i. Sample Tally Sheet. Regent Gooden provided a brief update on the Sibson Report’s recommendations and reviewed the Sample Tally Sheet, explaining how it would be used to assess performance of the presidents.

5. 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)(i). (Moved by Regent Fish, seconded by Regent Shorter; unanimously approved.)

Meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m.