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 8:30 a.m. on Friday, October 19, 2018 at the University System of Maryland at Hagerstown. Those in attendance were: Chairman Brady; Regents Attman, Fish, Frazier, Gooden, Gossett, Gourdine, Holzapfel, Johnson, Neall, Pevenstein, Pope, Rauch, Wallace and Wood; Presidents Anderson, Breaux, Goodwin, Hrabowski, Loh, Miyares, Nowaczyk, Perman, Schatzel, Schmoke, Thompson, and Wight; Chancellor Caret, Vice Chancellors Boughman, Herbst, Hogan, Neal, Raley, and Sadowski; Ms. Wilkerson, and AAGs Bainbridge and Langrill.

Welcome from the University System of Maryland at Hagerstown (USMH). Executive Director Mark Halsey welcomed the regents and presidents and highlighted accomplishments of USMH.

Educational Forum – Strengthening Maryland’s Health Care Workforce was presented by Dr. Jay Perman, President at the University of Maryland, Baltimore.

Chancellor’s Report. Chancellor Caret echoed Mr. Halsey’s remarks concerning new programs being offered, as well as programs being expanded at USMH. He also commended the entire USMH “family” on progress that has been made. He touched on significant accomplishments at the various institutions, which included honors bestowed and improved rankings; he acknowledged various grants that had been secured by the different institutions. Chancellor Caret acknowledged the USM’s Elkins Professors for 2019; and later touched on USM’s upcoming budget for the next fiscal year. He briefly addressed the ongoing investigation being overseen by the regents, involving the tragic death of UMCP student-athlete Jordan McNair. Chancellor Caret concluded his report by acknowledging the passing of USM Chancellor Emeritus Brit Kirwan’s wife, Patty Kirwan; and, former U.S. Senator and Chairman of the USM Board of Regents Joe Tydings.

1. Report of Councils

   a. Council of University System Faculty (CUSF). Dr. Westerman presented the report. CUSF met on September 17th at USG. The meeting included a new member orientation and a panel on interinstitutional and interprofessional experiences. Other topics included approval of BOR Faculty Award Committee, work on a report on faculty salaries, and a motion to focus on academic integrity as a council this year.
b. Council of University System Presidents. Dr. Perman presented the report. CUSP met on October 1st. Topics discussed at this meeting included new requirements for sexual harassment training, the Northeast Higher Education Center, an update on the coalition case, the enhancement request, and a discussion of possible retreat topics.

c. University System of Maryland Student Council. Mr. Prouty presented the report. USMSC held its first meeting of the year on September 9th at the USMO in Adelphi. Topics covered included student safety, bereavement policies, mental health, affordability, and civic engagement. Applications for the Board of Directors were released and the council prepared for their next meeting.

d. Council of University System Staff (CUSS). Mr. Freeman presented the report in the absence of Ms . Gray. CUSS met on September 18th at UB and discussed topics such as tasks for the upcoming year, retiree prescription benefits, BOR Staff Awards, and the monitoring of legislation and staff benefits.

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 21, 2018 Public and Closed Sessions (action)
      ii. Approval of meeting minutes from October 1, 2018 Public and Closed Sessions of a Special Board Meeting (action)

   b. Committee on Organization and Compensation
      i. Approval of meeting minutes from October 11, 2018 Public and Closed Sessions (action)
      ii. Status of Work Plan on Executive Compensation and Governance (information)

   c. Committee on Finance
      i. Approval of meeting minutes from September 13, 2018 Public and Closed Sessions (action)
      ii. University System of Maryland: Official Intent Resolution on Reimbursement of System Cash Balances Spent on Revenue Bond-Authorized Projects (action)
      iii. University of Maryland, College Park: Establishment of $25M Quasi-endowment to Provide Matching Fund for Maryland Promise Fund (action)
      iv. University of Maryland, Baltimore: Renovation of 16 S. Poppleton Street, Baltimore (action)
      v. Frostburg State University 2018 Facilities Master Plan (information)

3. Review of Items Removed from Consent Agenda
4. Committee Reports

a. Committee of the Whole

i. UMCES Joint Chairmen’s Report. As a follow-up to the presentation of the draft report by President Goodwin during September’s board meeting; Dr. Boughman presented the pros and cons of UMCES remaining a separate institution. She concluded her discourse by recommending that UMCES maintain its current status. The report was followed by a resolution supporting UMCES operating as an independent institution. It further emphasized the need to expand existing and new collaborations and partnerships with USM institutions, with an emphasis on Environmental Science at the University of Maryland, College Park and agencies of the Governor’s Council on the Chesapeake Bay. (Chairman Brady moved and Regent Gourdine seconded the motion; it was unanimously approved.)

ii. Universities at Shady Grove Renaming Request for the Camille Kendall Building. (Regent Gossett moved and Regent Attman seconded the motion; it was unanimously approved.)

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

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.