



**USM Board of Regents
Special Board Meeting
Minutes from Public Session
July 22, 2020
Zoom**

Minutes of the Public Session

Chair Gooden called the special meeting of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents to order in public session at 3:01 p.m. on Wednesday July 22, 2020.

Those in attendance included Chair Gooden; Regents Attman, Edwards, Gonella, Gossett, Gourdine, Holzapfel, Johnson, Leggett, Malhotra, Mears, Neall, Pope, Sansom, Schulz, and Wood; Mock (for President Anderson), Presidents Breaux, Goodwin, Hrabowski, Jarrell (Interim), Jenkins, Miyares, Pines, Delia (for President Nowaczyk), Perrault (for President Schatzel), Schmoke, and Wight; Chancellor Perman; Vice Chancellors Boughman, Herbst, Hogan, McDonough, Raley, and Sadowski; AAG Bainbridge and Langrill; and Ms. Wilkerson.

Chair Gooden opened the meeting by welcoming the two new student Regents, Aaliyah Edwards and Nathaniel Sansom, and the new University of Maryland, College Park President Darryll Pines. She congratulated on Coppin State University President Anthony Jenkins for his first two months as president. She also held a moment of silence to honor Representative John Lewis and the Rev. C.T. Vivian, two civil rights icons who died recently.

- 1. Chancellor's Updates.** Chancellor Perman began his remarks by honoring the life of David Ramsey, the Chancellor's predecessor at the University of Maryland, Baltimore. He echoed Chair Gooden's congratulations to President Jenkins and welcomed President Pines. He noted that President Pines addressed the twin pandemics of COVID-19 and racism on his very first day in office.

Chancellor Perman also provided an update on returning to campus reiterating that institutions will resume *some* in-person instruction with remote and hybrid learning still making up a large part of this fall's classes. Limited in-person learning will resume for many reasons including that some classes simply can't be effectively taught remotely, and some students need in-person interaction. He did note that the institutions will pivot to remote instruction again if the situation warrants it.

He closed by outlining the work USM institutions are doing to ensure robust testing and tracing programs to manage COVID-19 as we move forward.

- 2. Return to Campus Planning.** Vice Chancellor Boughman discussed the measures being taken in advance of students, faculty, and staff returning to campuses including contract tracing, cleaning, reduced campus density, physical distancing, testing, etc. She also

spoke about academic scheduling. Vice Chancellor Herbst discussed financial planning and state funding, citing a projected budget reduction.

- 3. USM BOR Diversity and Inclusion Symposium.** Chair Gooden discussed the Diversity and Inclusion Symposium being developed by the Board. She noted that the symposium will focus on three things: equity and climate, education and research, and the USM service mission. Presidents will share information within this framework at the August 26th meeting and the BOR Retreat will explore issues in more depth.
- 4. Revisions to VI-1.60 - University System of Maryland Policy on Sexual Misconduct.** Vice Chancellor Boughman presented proposed revisions to the USM Policy on Sexual Misconduct to address new regulations that go into effect on August 14, 2020. The Board of Regents approved proposed amendments to the USM Policy on Sexual Misconduct (Moved by Regent Gooden, seconded by Regent Attman; unanimously approved.)
- 5. Convene to Closed Session.** Chair Gooden 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 Gooden, seconded by Regent Wood; unanimously approved.)

The meeting reconvened in closed session at 4:16 p.m.