

USM BOARD OF REGENTS ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE May 13, 2020

MINUTES: Closed Session

In attendance: Regents: Barry Gossett (committee chair), Louis Pope, James Holzapfel, D'Ana Johnson, Drew Needham, Geoff Gonella, and Linda Gooden. Also in attendance were: Brian DeFilippis, VP from Towson University, Jackie Lewis, VP from the University of Maryland, College Park, Leonard Raley and Marianne Horrigan from the USM office, and Elena Langrill, from the Attorney General's Office.

Chairman Gossett called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. The committee considered three naming requests.

The committee considered a naming request from Towson University to name a quadrangle on campus in honor of Dr. Julius Chapman. Vice President for Advancement Brian DeFilippis noted that Dr. Chapman led the integration of Towson as Director of the Towson Opportunity Program and later as TU's Dean of Minority Affairs. He was instrumental in establishing the Black Student Union, the Black Faculty and Staff Association, and the Black Cultural Center – all of which celebrated their 50th anniversaries in 2019.

Regent Pope made a motion to recommend approval of the request to the full Board. Regent Gooden seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The committee considered a request from the University of Maryland, College Park to name the Joel & Kim Feller BSOS Advising & Career Center. Vice President for University Relations Jackie Lewis noted that Mr. Feller is a trustee of the UMCP Foundation; the Fellers' gift is the largest in the history of the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences. The Joel and Kim Feller BSOS Advising & Career Center will be located on the second floor of Tydings Hall.

Regent Gooden made a motion to recommend approval to the full Board; Regent Needham seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The committee considered a request to name UMD's Main Administration building in honor of Thomas V. Miller, Jr. The specific name will be decided in consultation with Senator Miller.

The committee agreed that not only is Senator Miller one of UMD's most distinguished alumni, but for decades he has proven himself an unceasing benefactor of this campus and other University System of Maryland schools.

Regent Gooden made a motion to recommend approval of this request to the full Board; Regent Gonella seconded the motion. The committee voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 12:31 pm