Minutes of the Public Session

Call to Order. Chairman Shea called the meeting of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents to order at 8:31 a.m. on Friday, October 9, 2015 at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore. Those in attendance were: Chairman Shea; Regents Augustine, Brady, Comitz, Gooden, Gossett, Gourdine, Michaux Gonzales, Neall, Pevenstein, Rauch, and Slater; Presidents Bell, Interim President Bowling, Burnim, Interim President Chandler, Dudley-Eshbach, Hrabowski, SVP Dr. Bruce Jarrell (for Perman), VP for Administration & Finance Erica Kropp (for Boesch), Loh, Miyares, Sehmoke, and Thompson; Chancellor Caret, Vice Chancellors Boughman, Moultrie, Raley, Vivona; Ms. Doyle, and AAG Bainbridge.

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

1. Committee of the Whole.
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from September 18, 2015 Public and Closed Sessions. (Moved by Regent Brady, seconded by Regent Gooden; unanimously approved.)
   b. Resolution for Patrick “P.J.” Hogan. (Moved by Regent Neall, seconded by Regent Gossett; unanimously approved.)
   c. 2015 Board Retreat. Chancellor Caret reported that the BOR planned to hold their annual fall retreat on October 23, 2015.
   d. Chancellor’s Report. Chancellor Caret thanked University of Maryland Eastern Shore (UMES) and President Juliette Bell for hosting the meeting. The Chancellor reported that, as announced earlier, he is scheduling daylong visits to each USM campus to meet with institutional leaders, faculty, staff, and students. He has held three visits so far at UMBC, SU and UMES.

Chancellor Caret reported on a number of notable developments for the system, including a $3 million grant to USM for the First in the World (FITW) program, which supports efforts to test and develop innovative strategies to improve student outcomes. In addition, the USM, considered as a single body, placed 54th in the Reuters ranking of the 100 most innovative universities from across the globe. He also highlighted a number of achievements at USM institutions.
The Chancellor noted that his four day tour of the state will start on October 12 and will include meetings with business leaders, educators, government officials, advocacy organizations, and others to elicit opinions and perspectives as to USM’s strengths, challenges, and opportunities and provide a chance to "tell and sell" the USM story, generating stronger broad-based understanding of, and support for, the USM and its mission. He thanked the State Employees' Credit Union (SECU) for sponsoring the transportation for the tour.

Chancellor Caret reported that the development of the FY 2017 budget is still in preliminary stages, but every effort will be made to keep affordable access to quality higher education a genuine funding priority.

In concluding his remarks, Chancellor Caret thanked P.J. Hogan for his eight years of outstanding service as vice chancellor for government relations for the University System of Maryland. Both Chancellor Caret and USM BOR Chair Jim Shea presented the resolution to Mr. Hogan.

   a. Council of University System Faculty. Dr. Bryant reported that the Council was advised by the OAG regarding alignment of USM’s retirement and terminal leave policies with federal tax laws and discussed various retirement incentive programs. The Council reviewed the recommendations to change the governance structure at UMUC and voted for the Shared Governance subcommittee to develop a response for the Executive Committee to submit to the Chancellor and USM BOR.
   b. Council of University System Presidents. President Dudley-Eshbach reported on the Council’s retreat with was held on October 5, 2015. Key topics discussed at the retreat included the FY 2016 and 2017 budgets, academic and administrative E & E 2.0 initiatives, strategies to enhance budget equity and the appropriate use of peers, enrollment growth initiatives and meeting state workforce needs, strategies to enhance student degree completion and to strengthen USM’s research and innovation mission. The Chancellor and presidents also briefly discussed differential tuition, regional higher education centers, marketing the USM, and ways the USM can leverage UMUC strengths to benefit other institutions and areas economic development.
   c. University System of Maryland Student Council. Mr. Wallace was not present, however a written report was submitted.
   d. Council of University System Staff. Ms. Wimbish reported that the Council is reviewing the timeline for the BOR staff awards and best practices for recognizing high performing staff. The Council also discussed the timeline for submissions to the CUSS quarterly newsletter, the telework policy and ways to increase participation at system regional higher education centers.

3. Committee on Education Policy & Student Life. Regent Brady presented the report of the committee.
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from September 22, 2015 Public Session. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Gooden; unanimously approved.)
   b. New Academic Program Proposals.
i. University of Maryland, College Park: Bachelor of Science in Information Science. (Moved by Regent Brady, seconded by Regent Michaux Gonzales; unanimously approved.)
c. Amendments: Board of Regents Student Social Media Privacy Policy (V-1.20). (Moved by Regent Brady, seconded by Regent Gourdine; unanimously approved.)
d. Salisbury University: Creation of an Honors College. (Moved by Regent Brady, seconded by Regent Gooden; unanimously approved.)
e. Proposal: University of Maryland University College: New Academic Governance Policy. (Moved by Regent Brady, seconded by Regent Pevenstein; unanimously approved.)
f. E&E 2.0, Analytics, and Student Success. Regent Brady presented the report.
h. Tentative Annual Agenda, 2015-2016. Regent Brady presented the report.

4. Committee on Finance. Regent Pevenstein presented the report of the committee.
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from September 29, 2015 Public and Closed Sessions. (Moved by Regent Gourdine, seconded by Chairman Shea; unanimously approved.)
   b. University of Maryland, College Park: Memorandum of Agreement with the Maryland Transit Administration Regarding the Maryland-National Capital Purple Line. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Brady; unanimously approved.)
   c. Towson University: Facilities Master Plan Update. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Gossett; unanimously approved.)
   d. Comprehensive Technical Review of USM Human Resources Policies. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Brady; unanimously approved.)
   e. University of Maryland, College Park: Modification of M Square Research Park Single Purpose Entities Leases. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Brady; unanimously approved.)
   f. University of Maryland, College Park: Sale of Property to Washington County, Maryland. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Gossett; unanimously approved.)
   g. University of Maryland, Baltimore: Modification to Board of Regents Approval to Create a Ground Lease on 100 N. Eutaw St., 410-412 W. Fayette St., 414-418 W. Fayette St., and 405 Marion St., Baltimore, MD in order to Authorize Sale of Properties and/or Create Two Separate Ground Leases. (Moved by Regent Pevenstein, seconded by Regent Neall; unanimously approved.)

5. Committee on Audit. Regent Augustine presented the report.

6. Committee on Advancement. Regent Gossett presented the report of the committee.
   a. Approval of meeting minutes from September 30, 2015 Special Closed Session. (Moved by Regent Gossett, seconded by Regent Gooden; unanimously approved.)
   b. Naming Request from the University of Maryland, College Park. (Regent Gossett moved, seconded by Regent Slater; unanimously approved.)

7. Reconvene to Closed Session. Chairman Shea 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 Neall, seconded by Regent Brady; unanimously approved.)

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.