Call to Order

1. Reconvene to Closed Session (action)
STATEMENT REGARDING CLOSING A MEETING
OF THE USM BOARD OF REGENTS
SPECIAL BOR MEETING

Date: March 15, 2024
Time: Approximately 4:05 p.m.
Location: Zoom

STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO CLOSE A SESSION

Md. Code, General Provisions Article §3-305(b):

(1) To discuss:

   [ ] (i) The appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom it has jurisdiction; or

   [ ] (ii) Any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals.

(2) [ ] To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals with respect to a matter that is not related to public business.

(3) [ ] To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto.

(4) [ ] To consider a preliminary matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State.

(5) [ ] To consider the investment of public funds.

(6) [ ] To consider the marketing of public securities.

(7) [X] To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter.

(8) [X] To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation.

(9) [ ] To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations.
To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussions would constitute a risk to the public or public security, including:

(i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and

(ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans.

To prepare, administer or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination.

To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct.

To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter.

Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiation strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process.

To discuss cybersecurity, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to:

(i) security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology;

(ii) network security information, including information that is:

   - related to passwords, personal identification numbers, access codes, encryption, or other components of the security system of a governmental entity;

   - collected, assembled, or maintained by or for a governmental entity to prevent, detect, or investigate criminal activity; or

   - related to an assessment, made by or for a governmental entity or maintained by a governmental entity, of the vulnerability of a network to criminal activity; or

(iii) deployments or implementation of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices.

Md. Code, General Provisions Article §3-103(a)(1)(i):

Administrative Matters

TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:

1. Update on pending litigation involving a USM institution.
2. A discussion of a proposed settlement of a matter involving a USM institution.
REASON FOR CLOSING:

1. To consult with legal counsel regarding pending litigation involving a USM institution (§3-305(b)(8)); and
2. To consult with legal counsel regarding a proposed settlement of a matter involving a USM institution (§3-305(b)(7)).