



**USM Board of Regents  
Special Board Meeting  
Minutes from Public Session  
March 23, 2020  
Conference Call**

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**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 5:04 p.m. on Monday March 23, 2020.

Those in attendance: Chair Gooden; Regents Attman, Fish, Gonella, Gossett, Gourdine, Johnson, Leggett, Malhotra, Mears, Neall, Needham, Rauch, Wallace, and Wood; Chancellor Perman; Vice Chancellors Boughman, Herbst, Hogan, McDonough, Raley, and Sadowski; Ms. Wilkerson; and AAGs Bainbridge and Langrill.

- 1. Chancellor's Remarks.** Chancellor Perman provided an update that addressed the Governor's executive order regarding the closing of non-essential businesses. He explained that the executive order does not apply to the USM. He further explained that while our universities remain open throughout this period of remote instruction and remote work, he has emphasized how seriously we take Governor Hogan's orders. The Chancellor has asked the campuses curtail the number of employees working on site at the universities. Recognizing that there are essential staff needed to carryout essential services, non-essential staff should remain at home as much as is possible to flatten the curve of this outbreak.
- 2. 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 Gossett, seconded by Regent Johnson; unanimously approved.)

The meeting convened in closed session at 5:10 p.m.



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**Minutes of the Closed Session**

Chair Gooden called the special meeting of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents to order in closed session at 5:10 p.m. on Thursday March 23, 2020.

Those in attendance: Chair Gooden; Regents Attman, Fish, Gonella, Gossett, Gourdine, Johnson, Leggett, Malhotra, Mears, Neall, Needham, Rauch, Wallace, and Wood; Chancellor Perman; Vice Chancellors Boughman, Herbst, Hogan, McDonough, Raley, and Sadowski; Ms. Wilkerson; and AAGs Bainbridge and Langrill.

1. **Update on Strategic Communications Plan.** Vice Chancellor McDonough discussed strategic communication related to COVID-19. (§3-103(a)(1)(i));
2. **Legal Advice on the Governor of Maryland's Executive Orders.** The Regents received legal advice on the governor's executive orders and their applicability to the USM. (§3-305(b)(7));
3. **Legal Advice on Federal COVID-19 Relief Package.** The Regents received legal advice related to the federal COVID-19 relief package and its applicability to the USM. (§3-305(b)(7));
4. **Discussion about the Development of a Forecast to Estimate the Financial Impact of COVID-19.** The Board discussed the development of a forecast to estimate COVID-19 impact on the USM. (§3-103(a)(1)(i)).

The meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.