



University System of Maryland Board of Regents
Via Zoom
June 17, 2021 Public Minutes

Call to Order. Chair Linda Gooden called the meeting of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents to order at 8:35 a.m. on Thursday June 17, 2021, virtually via Zoom. Those in attendance were: Chair Gooden; Regents Attman, Fish, Gonella, Gossett, Gourdine, Holzapfel, Johnson, Neall, Pope, Rauch, Sansom, Wallace, and Wood; Presidents Anderson, Breaux, Fowler, Goodwin, Hrabowski, Jarrell, Jenkins, Nowaczyk, Pines, Schatzel, Schmoke, and Wight; Chancellor Perman, Vice Chancellors Boughman, Herbst, Hogan, McDonough, Raley, and Sadowski; Ms. Mulqueen, Ms. Wilkerson, and AAGs Bainbridge and Langrill.

Chair Gooden began thanking faculty, staff, and students across the USM for their hard work during the pandemic. She recognized the Regents that have either already left the Board or will be leaving the Board this month: Sam Malhotra, Meredith Mears, Nate Sansom, Aaliyah Edwards, Barry Gossett, and Kelly Schulz. She also welcomed new Student Regents, Ada Beams and Ayoyola Oludayo, as well as Regent Signe Pringle, who will be filling Regent Schulz's ex officio role. She noted that in-person meetings will resume in the Fall.

Chair Gooden also took time to acknowledge why the Board is meeting on Thursday June 17th instead of Friday the 18th. The Chancellor and USM Presidents established Juneteenth as a USM holiday. Because it falls on a Saturday this year, it is being observed on Friday June 18th.

Educational Forum: *International Students*. Senior Vice Chancellor Boughman introduced the panel, which included Dr. Ross Lewin, Associate Vice President for International Affairs at University of Maryland, College Park; Gail Gibbs, Director of the Office of International Students and Scholars at Towson University; Dr. Brian Stiegler, faculty member in the Janet Dudley-Eshbach Center for International Education; and Cedric Nwafor, an alumnus of University of Maryland, College Park from Cameroon. The panel discussed the importance of international education across the system, noting that globalization/global learning is no longer a luxury, but a necessity. They discussed the economic gain from international students and provided some examples of the work of international students.

Chancellor's Report. Chancellor Perman began his report by noting the Juneteenth holiday. He then said that we have much to celebrate at the end of this academic year, including that nearly three-fourths of Marylanders are vaccinated, and positivity rates are under 1%. He cautioned, however, that the COVID crisis is not quite over, and we need to stay vigilant. He reported that the universities are planning to return to as close to normal as possible and that he and CUSP are still discussing COVID protocols.

Chancellor Perman then moved on to reflect on the past year. We welcomed the following new leaders over the year:

- Dr. Darryll Pines – President of University of Maryland, College Park
- Dr. Bruce Jarrell – President of University of Maryland Baltimore
- Dr. Gregory Fowler – President of University of Maryland Global Campus
- Dr. Anne Khademian – Executive Director of the Universities at Shady Grove
- Dr. Eileen Abel – Executive Director of University System of Maryland at Southern Maryland

He noted that all USM institutions have been engaged in the fight against COVID through early graduation for nursing students, research, and donations to help students with distance learning. Our universities also continue to be recognized for academic excellence, leadership honors, and being top Fulbright producers.

Chancellor Perman highlighted the growth in our academic programs and campus facilities over the year. He also made note of several generous gifts to our institutions over the year including those from MacKenzie Scott and Steve Bisciotti (in honor of Ozzie Newsom), specifically aimed at our HBCUs. Several institutions also received sizeable research grants and scholarship funding.

He provided an update on outreach and community service milestones across the system. He also affirmed the USM's commitment to racial and social justice and highlighted some of the many things our universities are doing to address these critical issues.

Chancellor Perman shared details of the several campus visits he conducted since last fall and presented a slideshow with photos from the visits. He ended his report highlighting the Class of 2021 with a slideshow and thanking them for their perseverance over the past year plus.

I. Council Reports

- a. Council of University System Staff (CUSS). Dr. Shishineh presented the report. She provided an update on the Board of Regents Staff Awards. A report about the shared governance survey was included with her CUSS report. She noted that the Council would be completing their year-end reports and holding elections in July. Finally, Dr. Shishineh provided an update on the return-to-work survey, saying that they're in the process of creating individual reports for each school.
- b. Council of University System Presidents (CUSP). President Breaux presented the report stating that CUSP continues to convene bi-weekly to address issues related to the COVID-19 pandemic, in addition to other systemwide matters. Meetings continued to focus heavily on COVID-19, including the Chancellor's announcement that vaccinations will be mandatory for students, faculty, and staff returning to campus in the fall. CUSP also discussed many other topics including the capital budget request, collective bargaining, USM dashboard indicators, and more. The presidents provided feedback on the strategic planning process and received an

update on the Enrollment Work Group. Congressman Sarbanes joined a CUSP meeting to discuss the For the People Act.

- c. University System of Maryland Student Council (USMSC). Ms. Rappeport presented the USMSC report. She started by shouting out the new USMSC President, Yvonne Harper. The Council continued its work with civic education, with representatives attending a session presented by Dr. Shapiro with Congressman Sarbanes regarding the For the People Act. USMSC listened to student feedback regarding COVID-19 planning and shared with advisors and the Chancellor's Office. Ms. Rappeport closed by thanking everyone for their support throughout the last year.
- d. Council of University System Faculty (CUSF). Dr. Brunn presented the report and began with an update on the Council's work regarding academic integrity. She noted that CUSF has brought the process as far as it can and has now turned the work over to the USM with the goal of revising the existing policy. CUSF will pursue a parallel path working on implementation. Dr. Brunn provided an update on the technology questionnaire/memo discussed at the last Board of Regents meeting.

CUSF held a town hall regarding structural inequities on May 12, 2021, entitled "From Obstacles to Solutions: Experiences in Structural Inequalities, A Solutions Oriented Approach". It addressed faculty and student diversity, as well USM initiatives, White House initiatives, and diversity in the curriculum.

Dr. Brunn ended by noting that in the coming year, the Education Policy Committee will work with Dr. Nancy Shapiro on how to encourage civic engagement across the curriculum.

2. Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda was presented to the regents by Chair Gooden. She asked if there were any items on the agenda that should be removed for further discussion. There were no requests to remove any items. Chair Gooden moved and Regent Attman seconded the motion to accept the consent agenda. The motion was unanimously approved. The items included were:
 - a. Committee of the Whole
 - i. Approval of meeting minutes from April 16, 2021 Public and Closed Sessions (action)
 - ii. Approval of meeting minutes from April 23, 2021 and May 5, 2021 Special BOR Meetings for Public Session (action)
 - b. Committee on Education Policy and Student Life
 - i. Approval of meeting minutes from May 4, 2021 Public Session (action)
 - ii. New Academic Program Proposals (action)
 1. Coppin State University: Bachelor of Science in Data Science
 2. Coppin State University: Master of Science in Health Information Management

3. University of Maryland, Baltimore: Doctor of Philosophy in Palliative Care
 4. University of Maryland, College Park: Bachelor of Science in Social Data Science
 5. University of Maryland, College Park: Bachelor of Science in Fermentation Science
- iii. 2021 Cultural Diversity Reports (action)
 1. Bowie State University
 2. Coppin State University
 3. Frostburg State University
 4. Salisbury University
 5. Towson University
 6. University of Baltimore
 7. University of Maryland, Baltimore
 8. University of Maryland, Baltimore County
 9. University of Maryland, College Park
 10. University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science
 11. University of Maryland Eastern Shore
 12. University of Maryland Global Campus
 - iv. University of Maryland Eastern Shore Request to Use Standardized Tests as an Optional Criterion for Admission (action)
 - v. Discussion: Test-Optional in the Time of COVID (information)
 - vi. 2020-2021 EPSL Agenda Brainstorming (information)
- c. Committee on Advancement
 - i. Approval of meeting minutes from May 12, 2021 Public Session (action)
 - ii. Towson University: Rename Paca House and Carroll Hall (action)
 - d. Committee on Governance and Compensation
 - i. Approval of meeting minutes from May 13, 2021 and June 10, 2021 Public and Closed Sessions (action)
 - ii. USM at Southern Maryland Board of Advisors Bylaws (action)
 - iii. Universities at Shady Grove Board of Advisors Bylaws (action)
 - e. Committee on Audit
 - i. Approval of meeting minutes from June 4, 2021 Public and Closed Sessions (action)
 - f. Committee on Finance
 - i. Approval of meeting minutes from June 10, 2021 Public and Closed Sessions (action)
 - ii. University System of Maryland: FY 2022 Operating Budget (action)
 - iii. FY 2022 System Funded Construction Program Request (action)
 - iv. University System of Maryland: 43rd Bond Resolution—Auxiliary Facility and Tuition Revenue Bonds (action)

- v. University System of Maryland: Official Intent Resolution on Reimbursement of System Cash Balances Spent on Revenue Bond-Authorized Projects (action)
- vi. Bowie State University: Facilities Master Plan Update (action)
- vii. University System of Maryland: Correction to Fiscal Year 2022 Schedule of Self-Support Charges and Fees (action)
- viii. Proposed Amendments to USM Policy VII-8.05—Policy on Professional Conduct of Nonexempt and Exempt Staff Employees (action)
- ix. Proposed FY 2022 Contract between the University of Maryland, Baltimore and the University of Maryland Medical System Corporation (action)
- x. Approval of Fund Sources for UMCP Discovery Fund and UMB Baltimore Fund under USM Policy VIII-14.00—Policy on Investments and Loans to Maryland-based Businesses that are Affiliated with USM Institutions (action)
- xi. University of Maryland Global Campus: Lease Renewal for Dorsey Station Location (action)
- xii. University of Maryland Global Campus: Facilities and Equipment Maintenance Contract-Option Renewal (action)
- xiii. Frostburg State University: Creation of University-Affiliated Business Entity (non-profit) and Approval of FSU President and Vice President’s Participation (action)
- xiv. Proposed Amendments to USM Policy V-2.10—Policy on Reports of Intercollegiate Athletics (action)

- g. Committee on Economic Development and Technology Commercialization
 - i. Approval of meeting minutes from June 10, 2021 Public Session (action)
 - ii. Approval of Fund Sources for UMCP Discovery Fund and UMB Baltimore Fund under USM Policy VIII-14.00—Policy on Investments and Loans to Maryland-based Businesses that are Affiliated with USM Institutions (action)

3. Review of Items Removed from Consent Agenda

4. Committee Reports

- a. Committee of the Whole
 - i. Amendment to USM Policy on Student Classification for Admission and Tuition Purposes (VIII-2.70). Senior Vice Chancellor Boughman presented the proposed amendments to the policy to ensure that it is in compliance with The Veterans Healthcare and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020. Regent Fish moved and Regent Attman seconded approval of the amendments to the policy. The motion was unanimously approved.
 - ii. Proposed Dates for 2022-2023 Full Board Meetings. Regent Rauch moved and Regent Pope seconded approval of the proposed dates for the 2022-2023 full board meetings. The motion was unanimously approved.
 - iii. Resolutions of Appreciation. Regent Johnson moved and Regent Rauch seconded approval of resolutions of appreciation for the following. The motion was unanimously approved.

1. Regent Aaliyah Edwards
 2. Regent Barry Gossett
 3. Regent Sam Malhotra
 4. Regent Meredith Mears
 5. Regent Nathaniel Sansom
 - iv. 2021-2022 Committee Assignments. Chair Gooden shared the committee assignments for 2021-2022.
 - v. Election of BOR Vice Chair. Regent Neall indicated that he would like to serve as Vice Chair of the Board of Regents until the next elections. Regent Gooden moved that Regent Neall be elected, Regent Johnson seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.
 - vi. University of Baltimore Taskforce – Implementation Update. President Schmoke provided an update and will have a more in-depth presentation in September.
 - vii. USM Marketing and Branding Taskforce Report. Regent Gonella provided an update on the USM Marketing and Branding Taskforce Report.
- b. Committee on Audit Update. Regent Fish provided an update on the Committee on Audit’s activities over the past year. These included reviewing FY 21 objectives, reviewing proposed revisions to the Policy on Affiliated Foundations, reviewing audit reports, and hearing from an engagement partner about a scope of services.
5. Reconvene to Closed Session Reconvene 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 Johnson, seconded by Regent Pope; unanimously approved.)

Meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m.