Call to Order. Chair Linda Gooden called the meeting of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents to order at 8:30 a.m. on Friday February 17, 2023 at the Universities at Shady Grove. Those in attendance were: Chair Gooden; Regents Atticks (virtual), Attman, Breslin, Fish, Gonella, Gourdine (virtual), Helal, Leggett, McDonald, Neuberger, Oludayo, Peters (virtual), Pope, Rauch, Smarick, Wallace (virtual), and Wood; Presidents Anderson, Ashby, Breaux, Fowler, Goodwin, Jarrell, Provost Wilks for Jenkins, Lepre, Nowaczyk, Interim President Perrault, Ms. Eastman for Pines, and Schmoke; Chancellor Perman; Vice Chancellors Herbst, Hogan, Masucci, McDonough, Raley, and Wrynn; Dr. Boughman, Ms. Mulqueen, Ms. Wilkerson, and AAGs Bainbridge and Langrill.

Chair Gooden called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the first board meeting of 2023. She started her remarks by reflecting on black history, an important and undeniable aspect of our nation’s history. She recognized Wes Moore as Maryland’s first Black governor.

She welcomed two new Regents – Secretary of Agriculture Kevin Atticks and Secretary of Commerce Kevin Anderson. She also thanked former Secretary of Agriculture Joe Bartenfelder and former Secretary of Commerce Mike Gill for their service as Regents. Additionally, she welcomed TU Interim President Melanie Perrault and Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs Alison Wrynn to their first Board meeting.

She then turned the meeting over to USG Executive Director Anne Khademian.

Welcome from Universities at Shady Grove. Dr. Khademian welcomed everyone to the Universities at Shady Grove. She highlighted the ACES Program and USG’s new partnership with Google. A student, Audrey, spoke about her experience in the Pathways Program. Finally, USG Board Member Fernanda Arnaldez spoke about her experience with USG and the value that it brings to Montgomery County.

Educational Forum: Anchor Institutions across the USM: Spotlight on Frostburg State University. Dr. Michele Masucci, Vice Chancellor for Research and Economic Development, presented an educational forum about anchor institutions within the USM. She focused on Frostburg State University and some of the recent developments happening in and around Frostburg.

Chancellor’s Report. Chancellor Perman presented his report. He thanked Vice Chancellor Masucci for her presentation and echoed Chair Gooden’s sentiments about the importance of Black History Month.
He spoke about recent leadership news across the USM. UMCES President Peter Goodwin announced his plans to retire and Dr. Melanie Perrault began her tenure as TU’s interim president. The TU president search committee also kicked off, with Regent Ellen Fish as chair. The USM welcomed Dr. Alison Wrynn as Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs and will be saying goodbye to Dr. Joann Boughman.

Chancellor Perman thanked Dr. Khademian and USG for hosting the meeting. He highlighted recent successes at USG and across the System, including rankings, individual and institutional excellence, partnerships and grants, and community-engaged service.

He touched briefly on the FY 2024 budget proposal. It is a $2.1 billion proposal, which is a 10.8% increase over FY 2023. He noted that the budget shows Governor Moore’s strong support for the USM.

Chancellor Perman ended his remarks with a farewell to Senior Vice Chancellor Jo Boughman. He said that her name is virtually synonymous with the System’s because she is such an integral part of the USM. The students will remember her as an ally and an advocate because she has always understood how vital student representation is. That’s why Jo established and funded an endowment for the first-year student regents called the Student Voice Legacy Trust that will help those student regents pay for their education while serving on the Board.

He ended with one last round of applause for Jo and invited her to say a few words.

I. Council Reports

a. University System of Maryland Student Council (USMSC). Mr. Siddiqui presented the USMSC report. In January, the USMSC officially started accepting applications for the first ever Board of Regents Student Excellence Scholarship and received over 150 applications in the first two weeks. Mr. Siddiqui, along with the CUSS and CUSF chairs, also had a chance to speak with President Breaux about innovation and entrepreneurship. He closed his remarks by noting the success of Advocacy Day.

b. Council of University System Faculty (CUSF). Dr. Brewer presented the report. The Executive Committee met with Chancellor Perman on January 20th. The Chancellor suggested task forces related to higher education and the Maryland Blueprint, as well as mental health. Dr. Brewer also organized an informational session on Open Access. The Executive Committee also gave input on USM branding in their February 6th meeting. Topics discussed during general body meetings included faculty status, collective bargaining for graduate students, and committee work. Dr. Brewer also spoke about the success of Advocacy Day.

c. Council of University System Staff (CUSS). Dr. Patricio presented the report. She noted that the deadline for the Board of Regents Staff Awards closed and thanked everyone for their nominations. She provided an update on Advocacy Day and said
that it made her realize that shared governance is struggling across the USM. She provided insight into this perspective and how it relates to the collective bargaining bills in the General Assembly. She asked the USM staff and the presidents to reflect on shared governance and how it might be improved.

d. Council of University System Presidents (CUSP). President Breaux presented the report. CUSP met on January 9th. The topics on the agenda were an update on the strategic plan implementation and a discussion on the USM branding initiative.

2. Public Comment. Chair Gooden opened the meeting for public comment. Mr. Warren Pointer, AFSCME, addressed the Board regarding the operating budget and commented on the consolidated collective bargaining contract that is still under consideration.

3. 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 item. Chair Gooden moved and Regent Pope seconded the motion to accept the consent agenda. The consent agenda was approved. The items included were:

   a. Committee of the Whole
      i. Approval of meeting minutes from December 16, 2022 Public and Closed Sessions (action)
      ii. Approval of meeting minutes from February 2, 2023 Special Board Meeting (action)

   b. Committee on Advancement
      i. Approval of February 7, 2023 Public Minutes (action)
      ii. BOR IX – 2.00 – Policy on Affiliated Philanthropic Support Foundations (action)

   c. Committee on Audit
      i. Approval of December 15, 2022 Meeting Minutes (action)
      ii. Approval of January 13, 2023 Meeting Minutes (action)

   d. Committee on Economic Development and Technology Commercialization
      i. Approval of February 2, 2023 Meeting Minutes (action)

   e. Committee on Education Policy and Student Life
      i. Approval of January 10, 2023 Public and Closed Session Minutes (action)
      ii. Academic Program Proposals (action)
         1. Bowie State University: B.S. Public Health Informatics and Technology
         2. Bowie State University: P.B.C. Public Health Informatics
         3. Bowie State University: B.S. Health Services Administration
         4. Coppin State University: B.S. Cybersecurity Engineering
         5. Frostburg State University: B.S. Elementary Education/Special Education Dual Certification Major
6. Frostburg State University: Master of Environmental Management in Sustainability w/ UMCES
7. Towson University: Master of Science in Economic Analytics
8. University of Maryland, College Park: M.A. Hearing and Speech Services
9. University of Maryland Global Campus: B.S. Applied Technology
   iii. Report: Workload of the USM Faculty – Academic Year 2021-2022 (information)
   iv. Report on Extramural Funding – FY 2022 (information)

f. Committee on Finance
   i. Approval of meeting minutes from February 2, 2023 Public and Closed Sessions (action)
   ii. Proposed Amendments to BOR VIII-13.00—USM Policy on Business Entities (action)
   iii. University of Maryland, Baltimore: Davidge Hall Roof Repair (action)
   iv. University of Maryland Global Campus: Transfer of 2.22 acres of Land to the University of Maryland, College Park (action)
   v. University of Maryland, Baltimore: Facilities Master Plan (information)
   vi. University System of Maryland: FY 2024 Capital Budget Update (information)
   vii. FY 2022 Audited Financial Statements and USM Financial Planning (information)
   viii. University System of Maryland: Review of Capital Improvement Projects (information)

g. Committee on Governance and Compensation
   i. Certification of Committee Charters – Committee on Economic Development and Tech Commercialization (action)

4. Review of Items Removed from Consent Agenda

5. Committee Reports

   a. Committee on Education Policy and Student Life

      i. Results of Periodic (7-Year) Review of Academic Programs. Dr. Darlene Smith, Special Assistant to the Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, presented on the results of the periodic review of academic programs.

   b. Committee on Finance

      i. University System of Maryland: FY 2023 & FY 2024 Operating Budget Update. Regent Attman provided a short update on the operating budget noting the Governor’s strong support for the USM.
c. Committee of the Whole

i. Strategic Plan: Implementation Plan Update. Regent Gonella and Senior Vice Chancellor Herbst gave an update on the implementation plan for the USM strategic plan. The Regents approved the implementation plan (Moved by Regent Gonella, seconded by Regent Fish; unanimously approved.)

6. 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 McDonald, seconded by Regent Pope; unanimously approved.)

Meeting adjourned at 11:01 a.m.