

USM BOARD OF REGENTS SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE Via video conference call And teleconference September 12, 2024

## **Minutes of the Public Session**

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Co-chairman Gonella called the meeting to order at 11:12 am.

Convene to closed session

Regent Gonella read the Convene to Close Statement and then moved for recommendation, seconded by Regents Gooden and Pope, and unanimously approved.

The public meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am.



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Co-Chairman Gonella called the meeting to order at 11:15 am.

1. Naming request from the University of Maryland, College Park (action)

The University of Maryland requested approval to name a new academic program within the Robert H. Smith School of Business (in the process of obtaining the appropriate approvals) in honor of an alumnus who is committing \$18 million to the university. The donor will also be honored with recognition of spaces at the Xfinity Center and the Jones-Hill House complex as well.

Regent Gonella moved for recommendation, seconded by Regents Gooden and Pope, and unanimously approved.

2. Information regarding naming of Arboretum at Salisbury University

Salisbury University informed the committee about plans to name the arboretum at Salisbury University in honor of the wife of a couple who has been extraordinary generous to the university. The naming also recognizes the couple's commitment totalling \$2.5 million in support of the Arboretum, which will generate spendable income to support 45% of the Arboretum's annual operating budget.

Chancellor Perman has gotten to know this couple and admires their devotion to SU, and the Regents are very touched for their continued support.

This item was presented for information purposes; there were no votes on this item.

3. Motion to adjourn (action)

Regent Gonella moved for a motion to adjourn, seconded by Regents Breslin and Pope, and unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 am.