



**USM BOARD OF REGENTS
ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE
In person and teleconference
May 8, 2025**

Minutes of the Closed Session

A meeting of the Board of Regents Committee on Advancement was held in-person and teleconference on May 8, 2025, at 11:00 am at the USM office in Adelphi, MD. In attendance were Regents Linda Gooden, Hugh Breslin, Geoff Gonella, Dhruvak Mirani, and Elena Langrill from the Office of the Attorney General. From the USM office: Chancellor Jay Perman; Senior Vice Chancellors Ellen Herbst and Alison Wrynn; Vice Chancellors Leonard Raley, Michael Sandler, and Michele Masucci; Chief of Staff Denise Wilkerson; Associate Vice Chancellor Marianne Horrigan; and Gina Hossick, Executive Assistant to Leonard Raley. From the University of Maryland, College Park, Beth Javier-Wong, Assistant Vice President for Strategic Outreach; from Frostburg State University, John Short, Vice President for Advancement & Regional Engagement, and Executive Director, FSU Foundation.

Chair Breslin called the meeting to order at 11:41 am

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

The University of Maryland, College Park (UMCP) requests that the Board of Regents approve naming a Center for Behavioral Finance at the Robert H. Smith School of Business in recognition of an alumnus who has made groundbreaking contributions to behavioral finance and his significant philanthropic commitment to the University of Maryland. With extensive academic, research, and professional experience, this individual has become a leading authority in finance, particularly in the areas of behavioral finance, dividend policy, and survey research methodology. To support future generations of business leaders, the donor has committed a new irrevocable estate gift to the Smith School of Business.

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

Naming request from Frostburg State University (action)

Frostburg State University (FSU) requests that the Board of Regents approve naming FSU's softball playing surface after two alumni who have a 20-year history of supporting the University both financially and through service on the FSU Foundation Board of Directors. An upgrade of the softball facility will include the installation of a synthetic turf playing surface. The gift allows FSU to continue its commitment to creating and providing excellent co-curricular student experiences through investment in facilities, and aligns with the core values and strategic goals set forth in FSU's Strategic Plan.

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

The meeting adjourned at 11:52 am.