# ATHENS STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES BOARD MEETING JANUARY 18, 2019

The Athens State University Board of Trustees (also referred herein as the Board) held a meeting at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, January 18, 2019 in the Founders Hall Chapel to consider University matters.

#### PRESIDING: MR. RONNIE CHRONISTER

The Board of Trustees meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by Mr. Ronnie Chronister.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

## **ROLL CALL**

On roll call, the following Board members were present and constituted a quorum to conduct business:

Ms. Crystal Brown	Ms. Maxine Randolph
Mr. Ronnie Chronister	Mr. Clint Shelton
Ms. Cathy Dickens	Mrs. Missy Ming Smith
Mr. Macke Mauldin	
Senator Arthur Orr	

Also present were Dr. Ron Ingle, Interim President of Athens State University and Mr. Shane Black, University Legal Counsel, and Ms. Jackie Gooch, Secretary to the Board. Governor Kay Ivey and Chancellor Jimmy Baker, and Dr. Sandra Sims-deGraffenried were absent.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mrs. Smith, the Board approved the agenda by affirmative votes (8-0) of members present.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board approved the minutes of the October 19, 2018 Board meeting.

## **OLD BUSINESS, PENDING MOTIONS AND RESOLUTION**

Minutes from the Executive Committee meetings (October 18, 2018 and November 1, 2018) were presented. Dr. Ron Ingle provided an update on the progress of the presidential search process. A search timeline was presented to each Board member.

# **NEW BUSINESS, PENDING MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

# Adoption of Resolution 1-01-18-2019 (Attachment A)

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Senator Orr, the Board adopted Resolution 1-01-18-2019, President Candidate Interviews. This resolution authorizes and directs the Executive to (i) receive Dr. Ron Ingle's report of the final candidates for the position of President of the University, (ii) conduct interviews with those final candidates, and (iii) present a recommendation concerning the appointment of the President of the University to the full Board at the Board's regular May, 2019 meeting. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (8-0) of members present.

#### **Board of Visitors Nomination/Appointment (Attachment B)**

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Ms. Dickens, the Board appointed Rita Wallace to the College of Business Board of Visitors for a three year term. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (8-0) of members present.

## **Strategic Plan – Affirmation and Acceptance (Attachment C)**

On a motion made by Ms. Dickens and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board affirmed and accepted the 2016-2020 Strategic Plan. Mrs. Smith requested a friendly amendment to include the addition of language into the Strategic Plan identifying the University as a completion college. This amendment was accepted by Ms. Dickens and seconded by Mr. Mauldin. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (8-0) of members present.

## Amended Athens State University Board of Trustees By-Laws (Attachment D)

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board approved the revisions to the bylaws as presented. These revisions address grounds for removal of a member of the Board. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (8-0) of members present.

## **Revisions to University Policy: Legal and Ethical Policy (Attachment E)**

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Ms. Dickens, the Board approved the revisions to the University policy: Legal and Ethical Policy to include grounds for removal of a member of the Board. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (8-0) of members present.

# Academic Program Approval: Certificate in Information Security (College of Arts and Sciences) (Attachment F)

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Ms. Dickens, the Board approved the Certificate in Information Security for the College of Arts and Sciences. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (8-0) of members present.

# Academic Program Approval: Certificate in Cybersecurity Operations (College of Business) (Attachment G)

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Ms. Dickens, the Board approved the Certificate in Cybersecurity Operations for the College of Business. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (8-0) of members present.

## **Program Title Change-B.S. in Information Assurance to B.S. in Management of Cybersecurity Operations (Attachment H)**

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Ms. Randolph, the Board approved the program title change from B.S. in Information Assurance to B.S. in Management of Cybersecurity Operations for the College of Business. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (8-0) of members present.

# **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### Athens State University Family Relationship Disclosure

The Board was presented with Family Relationship Disclosure Forms received since the October 2018 Board meeting.

#### **Reaffirmation and Accreditation Update**

The Board was presented SAVE THE DATE information regarding the SACSCOC reaffirmation visit for April 13-15, 2021.

#### **Statement of Economic Interests**

Individual Board members must submit their statement of Economic Interests by April 30, 2019.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

No additional report.

## **REPORT AND CLOSING COMMENTS OF BOARD MEMBERS**

Board Committee Updates and Report Acceptance

Enrollment and Student Services – chaired by Ms. Smith Academic Affairs – chaired by Ms. Randolph Finance and Facilities – chaired by Mr. Chronister Development – chaired by Mr. Mauldin (in the absence of Dr. Sims-deGraffenried)

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Senator Orr, the Board accepted the Enrollment/Student Services Board Committee report, the Academic Affairs Committee report, the Development Committee report, and the Finance and Facilities Committee reports as presented. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (8-0) of members present.

#### ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Senator Orr, Mr. Chronister adjourned the Athens State University Board of Trustees meeting at 3:10 pm.