

**ATHENS STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BOARD MEETING
JULY 19, 2019**

The Athens State University Board of Trustees (also referred herein as the Board) held a meeting at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, July 19, 2019 in the Founders Hall Chapel to consider University matters.

PRESIDING: MR. RONNIE CHRONISTER

The Board of Trustees meeting was called to order at 2:32 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
Mr. Ronnie Chronister
Mr. Macke Mauldin
Senator Arthur Orr
Ms. Maxine Randolph
Dr. Sandra Sims-deGraffenried

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, Cathy Dickens, Missy Ming Smith and Clint Shelton were absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried, the Board approved the agenda by affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried, the Board approved the minutes of the May 17, 2019.

OLD BUSINESS, PENDING MOTIONS AND RESOLUTION

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried, the Board affirmed receipt of the May 17, 2019 Executive Committee minutes.

NEW BUSINESS, PENDING MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Acceptance of Contract for Dr. Philip Way (Attachment A)

On a motion made by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board accepted the contract, as signed, for Dr. Philip Way as the 37th President of Athens State University. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Board of Visitors Nomination/Appointment (Attachment B)

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried, the Board appointed Mr. Matt Massey, Dr. John Wilson, and Dr. Jon Smith to serve on the College of Education Board of Visitors for a 3-year term. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

FY 2019-2020 Budget (Attachment C)

On a motion made by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried and seconded by Ms. Randolph, the Board approved the FY 2019-2020 budget which included a one-time payment of \$1000 to each employee of Athens State University. This one-time payment will be paid on the December payroll. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (5-0) of members present with Senator Arthur Orr abstaining.

Review and Affirmation of University Mission Statement (Attachment D)

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Ms. Brown, the Board affirmed the University's mission statement with no recommended changes. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

2020 Board Meeting Dates (Attachment E)

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board approved the meeting dates for 2020. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

2019-2021 Board of Trustees Committee Structure (Attachment F)

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board approved the committee structure for 2019-2021. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

2019-2021 Board of Trustees Executive Committee (Attachment G)

On a motion made by Ms. Randolph and seconded by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried, the Board appointed the 2019-2021 Executive Committee. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Board of Trustees Evaluation Results (Attachment H)

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Ms. Brown, the Board accepted the 2019 Board Self-Evaluation results as presented. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Adoption of Resolution No. 1-07-19-2019 (Attachment I)

On a motion made by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board approved the adoption of Resolution No. 1-07-19-2019. This resolution is a restatement of the resolution originally adopted by the Board on January 11, 2013 to authorize the President of the University to execute limited purchases of real property and to approve contracts for capital improvements, alterations, remodeling and changing of capital improvements. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present. Senator Orr requested that the Board of Trustees be provided with a physical plant improvement plan on an annual basis.

OTHER BUSINESS

Recognition of Service

Senator Orr presented Ms. Randolph with a resolution from the Alabama Senate commending her for her service on the Athens State University Board of Trustees.

Chairman Chronister also presented Ms. Randolph with a token of appreciation from the Board of Trustees.

Athens State University Family Relationship Disclosure

None reported.

Reaffirmation and Accreditation Update

The Board received a SACSCOC Accreditation update regarding the status of the QEP process.

Article

The Board received an article for review. "Safeguarding Our Communities from Sexual Predators: What College Presidents and Trustees Should Ask".

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Ingle expressed his appreciation to the Board for their support during his term as Interim President.

REPORT AND CLOSING COMMENTS OF BOARD MEMBERS

Board Committee Updates and Report Acceptance

Enrollment and Student Services – chaired by Ms. Brown

Academic Affairs – chaired by Ms. Randolph

Finance and Facilities – chaired by Mr. Chronister

Development – chaired by Mr. Mauldin

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Ms. Brown, 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 (6-0) of members present.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, Mr. Chronister adjourned the Athens State University Board of Trustees meeting at 3:15 pm.