

FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY
MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
J. C. Jones Board Room, Charles Chesnutt Library
June 14, 2018
1:30 p.m.

The Fayetteville State University Board of Trustees convened on Thursday, June 14, 2018 at 1:33 p.m. in the J. C. Jones Board Room in the Charles Chesnutt Library. Chairman Jodie Ervin presided. Trustee Brenda Timberlake delivered the invocation.

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

The oath of office was administered to newly appointed Trustee member Mr. Karee Brown-Jones, SGA President, by Notary Public Valerie Colorado.

ROLL CALL

The following trustees were in attendance: Richard C. Adams, Harvey Allen, Stuart Augustine, Jodie Ervin, Karee Brown-Jones, John McNeil, Veda Neal, Donald Porter, Brenda Timberlake, and Kirk deViere. Trustees Edward Dickerson, Sherida McMullan and Brandon Phillips were not in attendance.

Before proceeding into the main portion of the meeting, Chairman Ervin read the State Government Ethics Act to remind all members of the Board of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict under this Act.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Veda Neal and properly seconded by Trustee Donald Porter that the minutes of the Board meeting held March 29, 2018, be accepted as printed. *The motion carried.* It was moved by Trustee Donald Porter and seconded by Trustee Harvey Allen that the minutes of the Special Called Meeting of the Executive Committee held on May 10, 2018 be accepted as printed. *The motion carried.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Audit Committee – Trustee Richard C. Adams, Chair
Chairman Ervin asked for a motion to approve the 2018-2019 Internal Audit Plan. Trustee John McNeil made a motion to approve the plan. Trustee Harvey Allen seconded the motion. *The motion carried.*

STUDENT REPORT

Trustee Karee Brown-Jones introduced himself and his Student Government Association (SGA) team. Trustee Brown stated that he is a Senior, Math major, and the newly installed President of the SGA. He ran his campaign on the platform, Bronco DNA.

Trustee Brown stated that the SGA will focus on four strategic goals this academic year, and they are 1) promoting diversity/inclusion; 2) ability to voice student concerns; 3) develop a better line of communications between students and the administration, faculty and staff; 4) and, increase student morale.

Chancellor Anderson asked Trustee Brown what would be his top goal? Increasing student morale was a top concern and suggested that at games, there be a student section. Trustee Vedas Neal and Chancellor Anderson shared some thoughts regarding increasing student morale to include having a SGA crew or (as in the past) a Chancellor's Crew—an identifier. Trustee Neal also stated that in order to develop better relationships with administration etc., he could meet with department heads, unit heads, and faculty and staff senates.

Trustee Brown thanked everyone, and he was welcomed aboard by the Board membership.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman Ervin began by sharing his love for Fayetteville. He suggested having a house warming at Fayetteville State University. It would be great to have a town hall meeting, another avenue for the university to connect with the community.

We celebrated Founders Day in April. Chairman Ervin stated that the speaker, Dr. Henry Louis Gates, was outstanding.

On April 9th, FSU co-hosted the State of the University with the City of Fayetteville, at the Airborne Museum downtown Fayetteville, in which President Margaret Spellings was the speaker on her "Touring North Carolina" tour. The turnout was great.

On May 10th, there was a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees to approve the design and architectural engineers to complete the renovations of the Rudolph Jones Student Center and the Lyons Science Building.

On May 11-12, Chairman Ervin attended commencement exercises for both post graduates (first time having them separated from the undergrads), and undergrads. There were 100 post-grads that received degrees. At the May 11th

commencement ceremony, Congressman Butterfield gave the address to the graduates and Chairman Ervin stated he did an outstanding job.

Former Foundation Board member, Mr. Harry Shaw, passed away recently. His funeral was on May 23rd. Mr. Shaw was a giant figure during the Civil Rights movement. Chairman Ervin suggested that we might do something on campus to honor him.

Chairman Ervin attended the Board of Governor's meeting in Chapel Hill. Trustee Neal and Chancellor Anderson were both in attendance.

The Capital Campaign is now complete. The university raised \$26 million. Trustee Ervin urged Board members to give, if they've not already done so. He'd like the Board to be at a 100% give rate. The Board must continue to be ambassadors and recruiters.

There will be elections for new officers at the September annual meeting. The nominating committee consists of Trustees Edward Dickerson, Stuart Augustine, Donald Porter, Brenda Timberlake, Veda Neal, and Jodie Ervin. They will present the Board with a new slate of officers on September 27th for approval.

Chancellor Anderson's bi-annual review is coming up. A link will be sent out to complete the survey. The deadline to complete the review/survey is June 27. Lynn Duffey at the System Office will compile the information.

Chairman Ervin thanked Ms. Suzetta Perkins, the Board liaison, for obtaining the Board's business cards. He also thanked the Board, administration, faculty and staff for all they do.

CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

On Saturday, June 16, the official unveiling of the Jeff Capel portrait will be held at the Capel Arena.

Chancellor Anderson provided highlights of the vivarium research initiative symposium. FSU is now in partnership with Ft. Bragg (WOMAC Hospital) for this Research Initiative that will be underwritten by the Geneva Foundation. Chancellor Anderson suggested the acreage at the Washington Drive site to place the center. He further stated that it will take \$10 million to build the first phase. Chancellor Anderson stated that this will be a good opportunity for STEM students to get research internships. Dr. Daryush Ila is part of this initiative. Vivarium is a terrarium used especially for small animals.

Recently, Chancellor Anderson visited with Senator Wesley Meredith, who is preparing a proclamation in support of FSU's sesquicentennial celebration. Senator Meredith is working with the new Board of Governors' chair, Mr. Harry Smith, to obtain \$25 million for each of the five public HBCU's, which equates to

approximately \$5 million each. Chancellor Anderson will meet with Senator Meredith in the next few weeks.

Chancellor Anderson would like to rekindle the Chancellor's Speaker Series. Dr. Jon Young will facilitate this effort. We would like to bring in some major speakers. Two suggestions were the Surgeon General and rapper J. Cole.

In the planning stages are town hall meetings to discuss the civil war museum. The museum will be high-tech affair that will house a component that spotlight a narrative on slave children. Chancellor Anderson and Dr. Bertha Miller are on the advisory board.

As well, Chancellor Anderson would like to conduct a forum for students to discuss/talk about the budget and management of it. He contends that students who graduate from minority-serving schools are more likely to see a jump in their economic status.

Chancellor Anderson invited Dr. Denise Payton, Director of the University Concert Choir, to present her proposal. Dr. Payton asked the university for their assistance in hosting and accommodating the Intercollegiate Music Association (IMA) to be held February 7 – 9, 2019. Thirteen HBCU's will attend; which amounts to approximately 165 students. The University Choir would like to sponsor a welcome brunch, student reception, and conductor's/faculty reception. The event will culminate in a Grand Concert Program.

Trustee Kirk deViere requested moving the Board meeting from 1:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. It was entertained as a motion and Trustee Vedas Neal seconded the motion.

CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Donald Porter made a motion to go into closed session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6). The motion was seconded and *carried*.

OPEN SESSION

The Board of Trustees reconvened in open session. Chairman entertained a motion to approve the promotion for seven faculty members. Trustee Donald Porter made a motion to approve promotion for the following:

Dr. Kimberly Smith Burton (to Full Professor)
Mr. Shane Booth (to Full Professor)
Dr. Dong Wang (to Full Professor)
Dr. Hongbing Zhang (to Full Professor)
Dr. Oliver Johnson (to Full Professor)
Dr. Dean Swinford (to Full Professor)

Dr. David Griffie (to Full Professor)

Trustee John McNeil seconded the motion. *The motion carried.*

ADJORNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Timberlake, Secretary

Suzetta Perkins, Recorder