

FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY
MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
J. C. Jones Board Room, Charles Chesnutt Library
March 28, 2019
1:00 p.m.

The Fayetteville State University Board of Trustees convened on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in the J. C. Jones Board Room in the Charles Chesnutt Library. Chairman Vedas Neal presided. Trustee Karee Brown-Jones delivered the invocation.

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

The oath of office was administered to newly appointed Trustee member Mr. William Warner by Notary Public Terrance Robinson.

ROLL CALL

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

Before proceeding into the main portion of the meeting, Chairman Neal 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 Stuart Augustine and properly seconded by Trustee Richard Adams that the minutes of the Board meeting held December 13, 2018, were accepted as printed. *The motion carried.* It was moved by Trustee Jodie Ervin and properly second by Trustee Sherida McMullan that the minutes of the Special Called Meeting of the Board held January 15, 2019, were accepted as printed. *The motion carried.* It was moved by Trustee Stuart Augustine and properly second by Trustee Donald Porter that the minutes of the Special Called Meeting of the Board held February 11, 2019, were accepted as printed. *The motion carried.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Academic Affairs and Personnel Committee – Trustee Sherida McMullan, Chair
Chairman McMullan asked for a motion to approve the policy on Centers and Institutes. Trustee Donald Porter made a motion to approve the policy. Trustee Harvey Allen second the motion. *The motion carried.*

Business and Finance Committee – Trustee Jodie Ervin, Chair

Chairman Ervin asked for a motion of approval to allow Fayetteville State University to increase the Health and Wellness Center's project authority from \$5.5M to \$7.5M. Trustee Stuart Augustine made a motion to allow FSU to increase the Health and Wellness Center's project authority from \$5.5M to \$7.5M. Trustee Brenda Timberlake second the motion. *The motion carried.*

Chairman Ervin asked for a motion of approve the selected corporation, Szostak Design, to provide design/architectural and engineering services for the Health and Wellness Center and authorize university staff to negotiate a contract and fee with Szostak Design. Trustee Stuart Augustine made a motion to approve the selected Corporation, Szostak Design. Trustee Donald Porter second the motion. *The motion carried.* to allow Fayetteville State University to lease space on the tower to T-Mobile. Trustee Stuart Augustine made a motion to authorize university staff to negotiate a contract and fee with Szostak Design. Trustee Donald Porter seconded the motion. *The motion carried.*

STUDENT REPORT

Trustee Karee Brown shared the Student Government Association's (SGA) mission, which is to serve as the voice of the students, promote academic excellence and encourage positive involvement for the enhancement of student life. Trustee Brown also shared the SGA's strategic goals that are tied to their mission statement, offering solutions and projected outcomes for each goal.

The SGA established a student spirit section called 'The Stable' in support of our student athletes and to display Bronco Pride. Also, the SGA sponsored several "Hot Chocolate Mixers" to discuss campus concerns.

The Campus Beautification Project continues to be one of the SGA's community service projects. The SGA hosted one of these projects on February 9th for incoming leaders. Trustee Brown thanked Facilities Management and students for coming out to support this effort.

In taking a stand against hunger, the SGA, along with Mr. Wesley Fountain, secured a \$10,000 grant from Food Lion to start a food pantry on campus. Trustee Brown thanked Mr. Fountain for his assistance with this project. It was learned, during the course of this meeting, that Food Lion will restock the pantry and that Campbell Soup will donate a pallet.

On March 23, the SGA participated in spring open house to attract prospective students.

Trustee Brown, along with other FSU student leaders, attended the CIAA men and women's basketball tournament in Charlotte. While attending the CIAA, Trustee Brown and others attended the CIAA Education Day Recruitment Fair. While not only cheering for our basketball teams, they participated in a

recruitment effort with the Marching Bronco Xpress pep band at various high schools in the area.

Last, 60 Student Government Association presidents journeyed to Washington, D. C. to lobby for increased funding for HBCUs and share their vision for HBCUs in the future.

This was Trustee Brown's last meeting. He thanked everyone who supported him throughout his tenure.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman Neal thanked Chancellor Anderson and his staff for keeping up the good work. The Board had an opportunity to participate in the Triple Crown Giving Challenge Fundraiser. Funding will go toward scholarships and textbooks. The Board committed to raising \$10,200. Chairman Neal thanked the staff in Institutional Advancement for inviting the Board to participate and further stated that the Board's giving would be 100%.

On January 25, 2019, Chairman Neal attended the Board of Governors meeting in Chapel Hill. On February 17, 2019, Chairman Neal spoke on behalf of the Board of Trustees at the ceremony honoring the name of the College of Business and Economics, The Broadwell College of Business and Economics. While there, she had a chance to tour the Next Gen Lab.

Chairman Neal attended the CIAA Championship in Charlotte. Chair Neal stated she enjoyed the hospitality and cheering the on the Lady Broncos. While there, she had the opportunity to meet Governor Cooper.

Looking ahead, Chairman Neal invited the Board to come out and attend Founders Day on Tuesday, April 2nd and the Donor's Luncheon on April 4th. She further stated that she will be meeting Interim President Roper on April 3rd.

CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

Chancellor Anderson provided copies/examples of what takes place and is covered at the UNC Board of Governor's Committee meetings and full Board meeting each month.

A continuing focus on FSU's \$10K Degree Pathway partnership with NC Community Colleges is on-going. On Monday, April 1, 2019, FSU will be celebrating the partnerships with our Community College partners with workshops, break-out panels, speakers, and special recognition. The community colleges have a lot of partnerships with 4-year institutions. A request for funds to support recruitment has been made possible through the Gates Foundation.

We have certain UNC Strategic Plan metrics we have to meet that includes focus on low-income and rural student, with all programs online. A student who has an AA degree may be able to pay \$1,000 to \$2,000 their last 2 years at the four-year college level.

On Tuesday, April 2, 2019, is Founder's Day. It will be held at 2 p.m. in the Seabrook Auditorium. Our own, Dr. Bertha Miller, will be the speaker.

On Wednesday, April 3rd, FSU will be visited by the new interim UNC System President, Mr. Roper. Chancellor Anderson is looking forward to establishing a relationship with the new interim President.

On Thursday, April 4th, we will host the Donor's Luncheon. On Friday, April 5th, an undergrad/graduate symposium will take place. One hundred students are scheduled to participate.

The WOMAC Research Center is on hold. WOMAC reports to someone else now, and Chancellor Anderson hopes to have more information at the next meeting.

Chancellor Anderson stated that the university is in the midst of developing a new strategic plan. The committee is working on developing sub-committees. There will be a work retreat to work on the strategic priorities, and risks. Revising the Mission Statement is one of the priorities. Hope to have it finalized by the December meeting.

Chancellor Anderson gave the floor to Angel Powell, FSU pre-law advisor, who spoke about our pre-law program. Ms. Powell stated that as of 2012, 111 students that have been advised and have applied to law school. Eighty-one students have been accepted into law school. Of the total number of applicants, 81 were advised by Attorney Powell or others. Eighty-two percent of the students who participated in the pre-law program and admitted to law school were African American. Former pre-law student, Jessica Tuttle was accepted into Campbell's Law School and helped develop the pre-law program there.

A handout was given to Board members noting the cost to take down each of the designated dorms.

Undergraduate commencement is scheduled for May 11th while graduate commencement is Friday, May 10th. Newly appointed North Carolina Chief Justice Cheri Beasley will deliver the keynote address for the undergraduate Commencement ceremony.

A town-hall meeting with students is in the works. The focus will be on educating students on how the budget is developed and how revenue is garnered. Chancellor Anderson thanked everyone for all they've done for FSU.

CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Jodie Ervin 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 by Trustee Sherida McMullan. *The motion carried.*

OPEN SESSION

The Board of Trustees reconvened in open session. Chairwoman Neal entertained a motion to amend the head women's basketball coach's contract as presented by the Athletic Director. Trustee Porter made the motion to amend the head football coach's contract. Trustee Sherida McMullan second the motion. *The motion carried.*

Trustee Porter made a motion to approve promotions for the following:
Dr. Timothy Buckner – Associate Professor
Dr. Li Chen - Associate Professor
Dr. Su Dong - Associate Professor
Dr. Beverly Edwards - Associate Professor
Dr. Eid Haddad - Associate Professor
Dr. Lenora Hayes - Associate Professor
Dr. Chandrika Johnson – Associate Professor
Dr. Mohsen Souissi – Full Professor
Dr. Alexandru Stana - Associate Professor
Dr. Amanda Virelles - Associate Professor
Trustee Harvey Allen second the motion. Nine approved; one abstention

ADJORNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Timberlake, Secretary
Suzetta Perkins, Recorder