MINUTES MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Friday, February 12, 2021 Via Zoom Call 11:00 a.m.

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: The Board of Trustees of Appalachian State University met via Zoom and conference call at the call of the Chair and the Chancellor on Friday, February 12, 2021; at 11:00 a.m., Chair Scott K. Lampe presided and called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM:

James M. Barnes M. Lee Barnes, Jr. Donald C. Beaver John M. Blackburn Michael C. Davis Scott K. Lampe Mark E. Ricks

Kimberly M. Shepherd R. Thomas Sofield James K. Reaves E. Bonnie Schaefer Carole P. Wilson

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Charles V. Murray

OTHERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM:

Dawn Antonucci Jane Barghothi

JJ Brown

C. Philip Byers, Member, UNC

Board of Governors Sheri Everts, Chancellor

Hank Foreman
Paul Forte
Megan Hayes
Jason Marshburn
Paul Meggett
Heather Norris

All votes were taken by roll call (see Attachment 1).

CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTICE: Chair Lampe read the following statement:

"Under the State Government Ethics Act, all voting members of the Board of Trustees have a duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts. Looking at the agenda for today's meeting, does anyone know that you have a conflict of interest or an interest that would give rise to the appearance of a conflict of interest? If so, please let me know now."

Trustee Wilson noted that she would recuse herself on any matters related to Mako Laboratories.

<u>ROLL CALL</u>: Chair Lampe asked Dawn Antonucci to call roll to verify all participants on the call.

<u>RECOGNITION OF VISITORS</u>: Chair Lampe welcomed guests and press in attendance as confirmed during the roll call.

<u>APPROVAL OF ABSENCES</u>: Chair Lampe stated that Trustee Charles Murray was unable to attend the meeting due to personal reasons.

Upon motion made, seconded and verified by roll call vote, Trustee Murray's absence was approved as presented.

<u>REPORT FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS</u>: Chair Lampe recognized Trustee M. Lee Barnes, Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, for this report. Trustee Barnes stated there were two (2) informational items to share with the Board.

Academic Affairs Report

We first heard a report from Interim Provost Norris, in which she shared updates on Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 classes and plans for summer and beyond. By and large, both students and faculty were satisfied with their teaching and learning environments this past fall. The spring schedule reflects the average of face-to-face and online courses wanted by students as they indicated in a student survey conducted last fall. Academic Affairs, when requested, continues to work with individual students regarding schedule preferences.

Enrollment Management Report

Associate Vice Chancellor Cindy Barr provided an overview of Fall 2020 enrollment successes, a review of Appalachian's enrollment pipelines and an overview of current admissions processes. Barr emphasized the importance of diversifying enrollment pipelines in light of shifting state and regional demographics as well as continued investments to support renewable, four-year recruitment scholarships. These efforts will help Appalachian maintain our strong academic reputation in a more competitive recruiting environment. Barr also updated the committee on two recent hires in the Office of Admissions, Sr. Director of Admissions, Kimberly Holley, and Associate Director for Diversity Initiatives, Shakina Simeona-Lee.

Trustee Barnes indicated this concluded his report for the Academic Affairs Committee (see Appendix A).

<u>REPORT FROM BUSINESS AFFAIRS</u>: Chair Lampe recognized Trustee Kimberly M. Shepherd, Chair of the Business Affairs Committee, for this report. Trustee Shepherd stated there was one (1) informational item to share with the Board.

Trustee Shepherd shared that Mr. Paul Forte, Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs presented a briefing on Capital Projects. Mr. Forte also shared that the university has over \$200 million in projects currently under construction and that the P3 housing project is on schedule with Phase 2 scheduled for completion on July 30, 2021 and Phase 3 on July 30, 2022. Lastly, Mr. Forte shared that Sanford Hall is nearing completion and he is hopeful there will be a ribbon cutting at our next board meeting.

Trustee Shepherd indicated this concluded her report for the Business Affairs Committee (see Appendix D).

REMARKS FROM CHAIR LAMPE:

Chair Lampe made the following comments/announcements/reminders:

- Thanked the Committee and their Chairs for their reports.
- The next scheduled Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Friday, March 26, 2021.

CLOSED SESSION: Chair Lampe announced that he would entertain a motion for the Board to convene in closed session. Chair Lampe asked that the Trustees, Chancellor Everts, Governor Byers, Interim Provost, Vice Chancellors, General Counsel, Chief Communication Officer, Director of Environmental Health and Safety and Emergency Management and the Assistant Secretary join the voting members in closed session.

Chair Lampe stated the secondary telephone line would be closed to conduct closed session business. Should participants like to attend once open session is reconvened they can simply stay on the line and the host will reopen the telephone line at the appropriate time.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and verified by roll call vote, the Board convened in closed session to:

prevent the disclosure of privileged or confidential information pursuant to North Carolina General Statute, Section 126-22 in accordance with [N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a) (l)]; and

Prevent the premature disclosure of an honorary degree, scholarship, prize, or similar award in accordance with [N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a) (2)].

<u>PUBLIC SESSION RECONVENED</u>: Upon motion duly made, seconded and verified by roll call vote, the Board reconvened in open session at 11:30 a.m.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned by roll call vote at 11:34 a.m.

Scott K. Lampe, Chair

Down Antonucci

Assistant Secretary

Appalachian Board of Trustees Roll Call Record of Votes in Open Session February 12, 2021

Roll Call Vote for Attendance:

James Barnes - Yes

Lee Barnes - Yes

Don Beaver - Yes

John Blackburn - Yes

Michael Davis - Yes

Scott Lampe - Yes

Charles Murray - Absent

James Reaves - Yes

Mark Ricks - Yes

Bonnie Schaefer - Yes

Kim Shepherd - Yes

Thomas Sofield - Yes

Carole Wilson - Yes

Roll Call Vote to Approve Absences:

Motion was made by: Bonnie Schaefer

Seconded by: Jimmy Barnes

James Barnes - Yes

Lee Barnes - Yes

Don Beaver - Yes

John Blackburn- Yes

Michael Davis - Yes

Scott Lampe - Yes

Charles Murray - Absent

James Reaves - Yes

Mark Ricks - Yes

Bonnie Schaefer - Yes

Kim Shepherd - Yes

Thomas Sofield - Yes

Carole Wilson - Yes

Roll Call Vote to Convene in Closed Session:

Motion was made by: Mark Ricks

Seconded by: Lee Barnes

James Barnes - Yes

Lee Barnes - Yes

Don Beaver - Yes

John Blackburn - Yes

Michael Davis - Yes

Scott Lampe - Yes

Charles Murray - Absent

James Reaves - Yes

Mark Ricks - Yes

Bonnie Schaefer - Yes

Kim Shepherd - Yes

Thomas Sofield - Yes

Carole Wilson - Yes

Roll Call Vote to Adjourn:

Motion was made by: Carole Wilson

Seconded by: James Barnes

James Barnes - Yes

Lee Barnes - Yes

Don Beaver - Yes

John Blackburn - Yes

Michael Davis - Yes

Scott Lampe - Yes

Charles Murray - Absent

James Reaves - Yes

Mark Ricks - Yes

Bonnie Schaefer - off the call and did not vote

Kim Shepherd - Yes

Thomas Sofield - Yes

Carole Wilson - Yes

MINUTES MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Friday, February 12, 2021 Zoom

<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> The Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees of Appalachian State University met at the call of the Chairperson, Lee Barnes, on Friday, February 12, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom. Chairperson Lee Barnes presided and called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lee Barnes, Chairperson

Michael Davis

Carole Wilson

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Charles Murray

Bonnie Schaefer

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dawn Antonucci Jane Barghothi Cindy Barr John Blackburn

JJ Brown Kathy Brown

Sheri Everts, Chancellor

Hank Foreman
Paul Forte
Megan Hayes
Scott Lampe
Paul Meggett
Mike McKenzie
Heather Norris
James Reaves
Kim Shepherd

All votes were taken by roll call (See Attachment 1).

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responded that she would recuse herself from any discussions relating to Mako Medical Laboratories.

EXPECTATION OF CONDUCT NOTICE: Chairperson Barnes read the following statement: As we begin the business portion of the meeting, I would like to remind everyone of the Subcommittee's expectations for conduct at our meetings. We ask that those attending today remain respectful of fellow attendees and the Committee. Those attending an official meeting may not engage in conduct that is inconsistent with our Bylaws or that interferes with the rights of others to observe and listen to the proceedings. Any individual who disrupts the meeting will be asked to leave and may be subject to arrest.

Academic Affairs Presentation

Heather Norris, Interim Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor, shared updates on Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 classes and plans for summer and beyond. She indicated that, based on student and faculty survey results, by and large, both students and faculty were satisfied with their teaching and learning environments this past fall. The spring schedule reflects the average of face-to-face and online courses wanted by students as they indicated in a student survey conducted last fall. Academic Affairs, when requested, continues to work with individual students regarding schedule preferences.

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<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: There being no further business, upon motion duly made, seconded and approved by roll call vote, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Brown Recording Secretary

Appalachian Board of Trustees Academic Affairs Committee Meeting Roll Call Record of Votes February 12, 2021

Roll Call for Attendance:

Roll Call was taken by: Chair Barnes

Michael Davis - Yes Charles Murray - Absent Bonnie Schaefer - Absent Carole Wilson - Yes

Roll Call Vote to Adjourn:
Motion was made by: Carole Wilson

Seconded by: Michael Davis

Lee Barnes - Yes Michael Davis - Yes Charles Murray - Absent Bonnie Schaefer - Absent Carole Wilson – Yes

MINUTES MEETING OF THE APPALACHIAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES BUSINESS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

February 12, 2021 Via Zoom Call 10:00 a.m.

<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> The Business Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees of Appalachian State University met via zoom at the call of the Chairperson and the Chancellor on Friday, February 12, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Mrs. Kim Shepherd presided.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

James Reeves

Bonnie Schaefer

Kim Shepherd, Chair

Thomas Sofield

MEMBER ABSENT:

Donald Beaver

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

John Blackburn Michael Davis Scott Lampe

Carole Wilson

OTHERS PRESENT:

John Adams Jane Barghothi Philip Byers Sharon Bell

J.J. Brown

Sheri Everts, Chancellor

Hank Foreman
Paul Forte
Megan Hayes
David Jamison
Nick Katers
Paul Meggett
Heather Norris
Diane Pitts

ALL VOTES ARE RECORDED BY ROLL CALL - See attached list.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTICE: Chair Kim Shepherd read the following:

"Under the State Government Ethics Act, all voting members of the Board of Trustees have a duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts. Looking at the agenda for today's meeting, does anyone know that you have a conflict of interest or an interest that would give rise to the appearance of a conflict of interest? If so, please let me know now." [None reported]

The following statement was also read, "as we begin the business portion of the meeting, I would like to remind everyone of the Committee's expectations for conduct at our meetings. We ask that those attending today remain respectful of fellow attendees and the Committee. Those attending an official meeting may not engage in conduct that is inconsistent with our Bylaws or that interferes with the rights of others to observe and listen to the proceedings. Any individual who disrupts the meeting will be asked to leave and may be subject to arrest."

CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE:

Paul Forte, Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, presented information regarding the following capital projects:

- Projects in progress \$209,389,002
 Projects > \$750K 13
 Projects < \$750K 17
 Projects completed last 60-90 days 2
- Payne Branch Environmental Restoration:
 Restored 1,200-foot section of Middle Fork of the New River
 Removed the dam and large amounts of sediments
 Improved water quality, wildlife habitat and expanded recreational opportunities
- P3 Phase 2 Building 300: Laurel Creek Hall:

Construction started: February 13, 2020

Completion date: July 30, 2021 Current status: On schedule

• P3 Phase 3 - Building 400: New River Hall:

Construction started: June 1, 2020 Completion date: July 30, 2022 Current Status: On schedule

• Stadium End Zone Project:

Beneficial Occupancy: February 2021 Athletics' Staff Move-in: March 2021

• Sanford Hall Renovation:

Ribbon Cutting: March 26, 2021

Current Status: COVID-19 delays of approximately 2 weeks, attempting recovery

• Child Development Center:

Bids received December 6, 2020 Construction to start Spring 2021 Building completion hopefully by August 2021

• Career Development Center:

Project Scope: Career Development Center is becoming centralized and is expanding their

space inside the Plemmons Student Union

Construction Start: December 2020

Completion date: June 2021

<u>CLOSED SESSION:</u> Chair Shepherd announced that she would entertain a motion for the Business Affairs Committee to convene in closed session.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and approved by roll call vote, the Business Affairs Committee convened in closed session to:

- prevent the disclosure of privileged information under North Carolina General Statutes 132-1.7, subsections (a) and (a2) of United States laws or regulations [N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(l)];
- consult with our attorney to preserve the attorney-client privilege [N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(3)].

<u>PUBLIC SESSION RECONVENED:</u> Upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the Board reconvened in open session at 10:28 a.m.

<u>ADJOURNEMENT:</u> There being no further business, upon motion made, seconded and approved by roll call vote, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Pitts

Board of Trustees Meeting Business Affairs Committee February 12, 2021 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call to Approve Absences:

James Reaves Bonnie Schaefer Kim Shepherd Thomas Sofield

Roll Call to Convene in Closed Session:

James Reaves Bonnie Schaefer Kim Shepherd Thomas Sofield

Roll Call to Reconvene in Open Session:

James Reaves Bonnie Schaefer Kim Shepherd Thomas Sofield

Roll Call to Adjourn:

James Reaves
Bonnie Schaefer
Kim Shepherd
Thomas Sofield