

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES VIA CONFERENCE CALL
APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Thursday, April 14, 2022
2:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: The Board of Trustees of Appalachian State University met via conference call at the call of the Chair and the Chancellor on Thursday, April 14, 2022, at 2:30 p.m. Chair Kimberly M. Shepherd presided and called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT ON THE CALL: James M. Barnes
John M. Blackburn
J. Jeffries Chesson
Fairley Bell Cook
James E. Harris
Scott K. Lampe
James K. Reaves
Mark E. Ricks
E. Bonnie Schaefer
Kimberly M. Shepherd
R. Thomas Sofield
Steven D. Wyatt

MEMBER ABSENT: Bailey K. Gardin

OTHERS PRESENT ON THE CALL: Dawn Antonucci
George Baldwin
C. Philip Byers, UNC Board of Governors Liaison
Sheri Everts, Chancellor
Hank Foreman
Doug Gillin
Kevin Mara
Paul Meggett

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

CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTICE: Chair Shepherd 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." None reported.

Chair Shepherd also read the following: "As we begin the business portion of the meeting, I would like to remind everyone of the Board's expectations for conduct at our meetings. We ask that those attending today remain respectful of fellow attendees and the Board. 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."

ROLL CALL: Chair Shepherd asked Dawn Antonucci to call roll to verify all participants joining the meeting.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Chair Shepherd welcomed guests and press in attendance as confirmed during the roll call.

APPROVAL OF ABSENCES: Chair Shepherd stated Trustee Bailey Gardin was not able to attend due to personal reasons. Upon motion duly made and seconded the absence was approved as presented.

CLOSED SESSION: Chair Shepherd announced that she would entertain a motion for the Board to convene in closed session. Chair Shepherd asked that the voting Trustees, Chancellor Everts, Governor Byers, Vice Chancellor & Chief of Staff, General Counsel, Athletic Director, and the Assistant Secretary join the voting members in closed session.

Chair Shepherd 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 at the appropriate time.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the Board convened in closed session to:

prevent the disclosure of privileged or confidential-information pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 126-24, in accordance with N.C.G.S. § 143-318.11(a)(1);

for the purpose of consulting with the University's attorney in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege, in accordance with N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(3);

to establish or instruct the staff or an agent concerning the position to be taken by or on behalf of this Board in negotiating the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease, and the amount of the compensation and other material terms of employment contract or proposed employment contract, in accordance with N.C.G.S § 143-318.11(a)(5); and

to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee, in accordance with N.C.G.S § 143-318.11(a)(6).

PUBLIC SESSION RECONVENED: Upon motion duly made, seconded and verified by roll call vote, the Board reconvened in open session at 3:22 p.m.

Second Amendment to Employment Agreement for Wrestling Head Coach

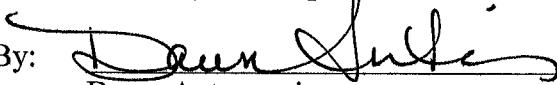
Chair Shepherd recognized Trustee Sofield, Chair of the Athletics Committee, for this item. Trustee Sofield stated the Athletics Committee presents the Second Amendment for the Employment Agreement for Wrestling Head Coach JohnMark Bentley. The coach's contract was included in the closed session materials for the Board's review.

Upon motion duly made, and seconded, the employment agreement was approved as presented by roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned by roll call vote at 3:24 p.m.

Kimberly M. Shepherd, Chair

By:


Dawn Antonucci

Assistant Secretary

Appalachian Board of Trustees
Roll Call Record of Votes in open Session
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Roll Call Vote to Approve Absences:

Motion was made by: James Barnes

Seconded by: Bonnie Schaefer

James Barnes - yes
John Blackburn - yes
Jeff Chesson - yes
Failey Bell Cook- yes
Bailey Gardin - absent
James Harris - yes
Scott Lampe – yes
James Reaves - yes
Mark Ricks - yes
Bonnie Schaefer - yes
Kim Shepherd - yes
Thomas Sofield - yes
Steven Wyatt - yes

Roll Call Vote to Convene in Closed Session:

Motion was made by: Kim Shepherd

Seconded by: Bonnie Schaefer

James Barnes - yes
John Blackburn - yes
Jeff Chesson - yes
Failey Bell Cook - yes
Bailey Gardin - absent
James Harris - yes
Scott Lampe - yes
James Reaves - yes
Mark Ricks - yes
Bonnie Schaefer- yes
Kim Shepherd - yes
Thomas Sofield - yes
Steven Wyatt – ye

Roll Call Vote to Approve JohnMark Bentley – Head Wrestling Coach Contract:

Motion was made by: Tommy Sofield

Seconded by: Steve Wyatt

James Barnes - yes

John Blackburn - yes

Jeff Chesson - yes

Failey Bell Cook- yes

Bailey Gardin - absent

James Harris - yes

Scott Lampe – yes

James Reaves - yes

Mark Ricks - yes

Bonnie Schaefer - yes

Kim Shepherd - yes

Thomas Sofield - yes

Steven Wyatt - yes

Meeting adjourned by Chair Kim Shepherd.