GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of the Wednesday, October 2, 2019 Meeting

(Minutes approved and released at 11-15-19 Board of Trustees Meeting)

Call to Order and Roll Call

The Governors State University Board of Trustees meeting for Wednesday, October 2, 2019 was called to order by Chair Lisa Harrell at 2:02pm. Roll call was taken and Trustees Kevin Brookins, John Brudnak, Pedro Cevallos-Candau, Lisa Harrell, Jim Kvedaras, Lester Van Moody, and Anibal Taboas were in attendance. Trustee Angela Hickey was absent.

Also in attendance:

Elaine P. Maimon, President

Elizabeth A. Cada, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

W. Paul Bylaska, Vice President for Administration and Finance

Mary Pat Burns, Interim General Counsel, Burke Burns & Pinelli, Ltd.

Penny Perdue, Chief of Administrative Operations and Liaison to the Board

Joan Johns Maloney, Coordinator of Benefits and Employee Relations, Human Resources

David Golland, Faculty Senate President

Kristiana Russell, Student Senate President

Sheryl Jones-Harper, Civil Service Senate President

Sandra Alvarado, Director of Human Resource Service/Title IX Coordinator

Stacy Amedeo, Academic Advisor, Senior Status, College of Health and Human Services

Catherine Balthazar, Dean, College of Health and Human Services

Zion Banks, Senior Writer, Marketing and Communications

Paul Blobaum, Faculty, University Library

Karen Caesar, Director, Office of Special Events

Darcie Campos, Assistant Vice President of Career Services

Linda Campos-Moreira, Faculty, College of Health and Human Services

Cynthia Carr, Faculty, College of Health and Human Services

Sasha Cervantes, Faculty, College of Education

Vickii Coffey, Faculty, College of Health and Human Services

Shirley Comer, Faculty, College of Health and Human Services

Amy Comparon, Executive Director, Student Resource Center

David Conrad, Faculty, College of Education

Donald Culversion, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Nichole Dalaly, Academic Advisor, Undergrad Academic Advising Center

Will Davis, Vice President for Institutional Advancement and CEO of the GSU Foundation

Shannon Dermer, Dean, College of Education

Cari Didion, Librarian, University Library

Christienne Dyslin, Faculty, College of Education

Jeanetta Edwards, Academic Advisor, College of Education

Sondra Estep, President of GSU UPI Chapter 4100

Kristoffer Evangelista, Chief Internal Auditor

Lydia Falconnier, Faculty, College of Health and Human Services

LaSheena Fuller, Client Relations Representative, Financial Aid

Susan Gaffney, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Dianna Galante, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Brian Gardeakos, Facilities Development and Management

Anne Gill, Interim Associate Vice President for Human Resources

David Green, Chair, College of Business

Pam Guimond, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Larry Hank, Maintenance Laborer, Facilities Development and Management

Crystal Harris, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Michael Hart, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Sarah Hirsch, Project Manager, Advertising and Marketing, Marketing and Communications

Stephen R. Hyzny, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Rosemary Johnsen, Associate Provost and Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs

Carla Johnson, Academic Advisor, Senior Status, College of Education

Lynnette Johnson, Office Manager, College of Arts and Sciences

Denise Jones, Specialist, Office of Sponsored Programs and Research

Freddie Kato, Jr., Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Alice Keane, Faculty, College of Business

Joseph Kearns, IT Technical Associate

Jeannine Klomes, Faculty, College of Education

Richard Manprisio, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Johnsie McAuley-Davis, Administrative Assistant, College of Health and Human Services

Meagan McCaffrey, Faculty, College of Education

James McGee, Director of Public Safety

Paul McGuinness, Assistant VP for Enrollment Management and Dir. of Admissions

Paula McMullen, Academic Advisor, College of Arts and Sciences

Brenda Moore, Client Relations Representative, Financial Aid

Susie Morris, Office Manager, Student Affairs

Sharry Murawski, Clients Relations Representative, Financial Aid

Michel Nguessan, Faculty, University Library

Kerri O'Shea, Academic Advisor, Undergrad Academic Advising Center

Laura Owens, Academic Systems Specialist, College of Health and Human Services

Noria Pagone, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Milan Panic, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Timothy Pedigo, Faculty, College of Education

Pamela Penn, Assistant Director, Undergraduate Academic Advising Center

John Potempa, Associate VP for Facilities Development and Management

Chuck Pustz, AVP for Information Technology

Jelena Radovic-Fanta, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Lana Rogachevskaya, Executive Director, Center for Performing Arts

Cynthia Romanowski, Faculty, University Library

Steven Russell, Faculty, College of Education

Joao Salm, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Colleen Sexton, Associate Provost and Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs

Steven Sharp, Faculty, College of Education

John Simon, Faculty, College of Business

Christina Sintic, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Sabrina Slocum, Academic Advisor, Undergraduate Academic Advising Center

Joshua Sopiarz, Librarian, Faculty, University Library

Ivan Soto, Academic Advisor, Academic Advising Center

Jessica Specht, Director, Dual Degree Program

Tracy Sullivan, Assistant Vice President of Procurement

Andrius Tamulis, Faculty, College of Education

Reneé Theiss, Faculty, College of Health and Human Services

Albert Tuskenis, Faculty, College of Education

J. Christopher Tweddle, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Aurélio Valente, Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

Amy Vujikala, Faculty, College of Education

Stephen Wagner, Faculty, College of Business

Byron Waller, Faculty, College of Education

Ellie Walsh, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Ting Jie (TJ) Wang, Faculty, College of Business

Robin Washington, Faculty, College of Health and Human Services

Deirdre Webb, Admissions and Records Officer, Registrar

Merri Wilkerson, Office Manager, College of Arts and Sciences

Corey Williams, Associate VP for Student Affairs & Dean of Students

Bruce Wilson, Faculty, College of Arts and Sciences

Jim Zumerchik, Facilities Project Manager, Facilities Development and Management

Sandra Zurawski, Director of Budget and Financial Planning

In addition, the following Faculty Senate Representatives were in attendance: Alli Cipra, Carlos Ferran, Giesela Grumbach, William Kresse, Rashidah Muhammad, Lara Stache, Catherine Tymkow, and Chelsea Vanderpool.

Chair Remarks

Chair Harrell provided her remarks to the Board, welcoming all to the meeting.

Public Comment

Sondra Estep, Associate Professor, College of Education and President, UPI Chapter 4100 Dr. Estep provided her report and outlined a list of University issues impacting the union.

LaSheena Fuller, Client Relations Representative, Financial Aid, and Civil Service Senator Ms. Fuller provided her report to the board.

Catherine Tymkow, Associate Professor, Nursing, College of Health and Human Services Dr. Tymkow provided her report to the board, expressing her concern about the university's ability to retain faculty if they are not competitively paid.

Christina Sintic, University Lecturer, Senior Status, Division of Humanities and Social Services, College of Arts and Sciences

Professor Sintic provided her report to the board and discussed the teaching load of faculty members.

Carla Johnson, Academic Advisor, Senior Status, College of Education Ms. Johnson provided her report to the board and discussed the work loads of advisors.

Brenda Moore, Client Relations Representative, Financial Aid, and Union Steward of the Teamsters Union

Ms. Moore provided her report to the board, expressing support for the UPI and a wish for a return to the bargaining table.

Nicole Sorice, GSU Student

Ms. Sorice provided her report to the Board, expressing her appreciation for her professors and stating her support of them.

Brian Gardeakos, Facilities Development and Management, and Assistant Chief, Operating Engineers Union

Mr. Gardeakos provided his report to the board, expressing support for the UPI.

Jeannine Klomes, Associate Professor, Division of Education, College of Education Dr. Klomes provided her report to the board, speaking about her history with GSU, remarking that GSU has gone from a secret to a gem in the area, and urging UPI negotiations to continue.

Larry Hank, Maintenance Laborer, Facilities Development and Management and member of Teamsters Union 743

Mr. Hanks provided his report to the board, expressing support for the UPI.

Presentations from Executive Search Firms

The Board heard presentations from and asked questions of four search firms who went through a competitive procurement process that resulted in awards from the Illinois Public Higher Education Cooperative.

Mr. Gene Head and Mr. Barry Vines represented Diversified Search.

Mr. Dennis Barden represented Witt Kieffer.

Ms. Marion Frenche, Ms. Susanne Griffin, and Dr. Jan Greenwood represented Greenwood/Asher. Ms. Greenwood participated via teleconference.

Mr. Paul Chou represented Korn Ferry via teleconference.

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Legal Update/Executive Session

Chair Harrell requested a motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 2(c)(2) and 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act at 4:30pm to discuss collective negotiating matters and pending litigation. Kvedaras motioned. Cevallos-Candau seconded. Roll call was taken and Brookins, Brudnak, Cevallos-Candau, Harrell, Kvedaras, Moody, and Taboas approved. Interim General Counsel Burns and President Maimon remained in Executive Session.

Trustee Brudnak motioned that the Board come out of Executive Session at 5:20pm. Trustee Brookins seconded. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

The Board reviewed and discussed each of the four executive search firm presentations. The Board engaged other University stakeholders in the room in the discussion relating to the four executive search firms. Following the discussion, Chair Harrell asked for a motion to approve Resolution 20-16: Authorization to Hire External Executive Search Firm, Witt Kieffer. Trustee Brookins motioned. Trustee Kvedaras seconded. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 5:55pm with a motion from Trustee Brudnak and a second from Trustee Moody. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted, Penny Perdue Recording Secretary