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**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT**

**AGENDA**

University of Connecticut  
Avery Point Campus  
1084 Shennecossett Road  
Groton, Connecticut

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**OPEN SESSION**

The meeting was called to order at 11:08 a.m. by Chairman John Rowe. Trustees present were: James Abromaitis, Louise Bailey, Philip Barry, Michael Bozzuto, Andrea Dennis-LaVigne, Peter Drotch, Lenworth Jacobs, Salmun Kazerounian, Michael Martinez, F. Philip Prelli, Thomas Ritter, and Richard Treibick.

Trustees Linda Gatling, Stephen Kuchta, and Denis Nayden participated by telephone.

Trustees Claire Leonardi, Rebecca Lobo, and Betty Sternberg, and Brenda Sisco, who represents the Governor's Office, were absent from the meeting.

University staff present were: President Austin, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Nicholls, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Aronson, Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Flaherty-Goldsmith, Vice President for Operations Dreyfuss, Vice President for Student Affairs Saddlemire, Vice Provost for Academic Programs Singha, Vice Provost for Strategic Planning Greger, Special Assistant to the President Callahan, University Communications Director Brohinsky, Chief Audit and Compliance Officer Walker, Interim Director of Architectural and Engineering Services Kraus, Health Center Chief of Staff Carlson, Dr. Schurin, University Senate representative Kent Holsinger, and Ms. Locke. Assistant Attorney General McCarthy was also present.

Also in attendance were Aetna Chief of Staff Patricia Hassett, Attorney Laurann Asklof and Attorney R. Bradley Wolfe, who represented the law firm of Gordon Muir and Foley, LLP.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Mr. Treibick, seconded by Ms. Bailey, **THE BOARD VOTED** to go into Executive Session at 11:17 a.m. to discuss matters pertaining to personnel and litigation. The Chairman noted that on the advice of counsel only staff members whose presence was necessary to provide their opinion would be permitted to attend Executive Session.

Trustees present were: Abromaitis, Bailey, Barry, Bozzuto, Dennis-LaVigne, Drotch, Jacobs, Kazerounian, Martinez, Prelli, Ritter, Rowe, and Treibick.

Trustees Gatling, Kuchta, and Nayden participated by telephone.

Also in attendance was Aetna Chief of Staff Patricia Hassett.

Executive Session ended at 1:15 p.m. The Board returned to Open Session at 1:17 p.m. All actions taken were by unanimous vote of the Trustees present.

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**1. Public Participation**

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

**2. Chairman's Report**

(a) Matters outstanding

Chairman Rowe welcomed Mr. Michael A. Bozzuto, who was present during Executive Session, but was not available for the full Board meeting. Mr. Bozzuto replaced William Berkley, who served on the Board for twelve years. Chairman Rowe also welcomed Dr. Gerard Burrow, who will assume effective September 1.

Chairman Rowe then issued a statement on behalf of the Board with respect to the general issues regarding construction projects at the University. Earlier today, he said, the Board received a report from the Audit and Compliance Committee, conveyed by Committee chair Denis Nayden. That report included a report by Mike Walker, the Director of the University's Office of Audit and Compliance, for the Committee. His work focused primarily on the relations with Pinnacle and BlumShapiro.

Chairman Rowe noted that the Board had previously noted that it set several actions in place in response to the concerns that arose. One was reflected in a detailed report that the President gave the Board at a special meeting in the beginning of June. Another was related to Mike Walker's initial report to the Board that was given at the public meeting. A third was the PricewaterhouseCoopers' report that was commissioned as well, to have an independent view. Mr. Walker and the Audit and Compliance Committee have now done an additional review. Part of the initial response, the Chairman said, was not just more fact-finding, but included a very to-the-point and effective, initial action plan that the President proposed and put in place.

Chairman Rowe said that the report that was reviewed today is being finalized as a result of the Board's conversation. He said he will be conveying this report this afternoon to representatives of the Governor's panel, which is evaluating these issues. The Board indicated from the outset that it intended to work together with the Governor's panel cooperatively, and indicated to them that it would make this report available to them when it was complete in the hope that they would find it informative in their own efforts. Chairman Rowe said he is confident that the Governor's Commission will find it helpful. He said that when the report is complete later today, he would convey it to the press.

The report should not be taken out of context, he indicated. It really only deals with two issues, the Pinnacle and BlumShapiro relationships, and not the whole landscape of construction projects and issues. It is nonetheless an important piece.

What the Board finds, Chairman Rowe continued, is that there were, over a period of time, very, very significant lapses and inadequacies with respect to the oversight of some of these projects. He said that these failures occurred at both the governance level and the management level, and in the communication between the management and the governance. There were a number of factors that seemed to come together in leading to these deficiencies:

- The huge scale of UCONN 2000

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- The conflicting views that were coming in. The Board was getting reports that things were going very well as well as reports that things were going badly from the same sources at the same time.
- The organizational structure, which in retrospect, was clearly not up to the task.
- A situation on the Board where the Audit Committee of the Board really felt that the responsibility for much of the audit of the specific projects lied either with the BlumShapiro audit firm or with the state auditors and therefore, meetings were not frequently enough, and information was not reviewed frequently enough about the projects by the governance.
- A lack of follow-up in some cases from the management to the governance on a number of these issues.

This set of issues, Chairman Rowe said, he believes are very serious. The Board believes as a group that some of the changes that have been put in place already are significant improvements and will make it very much more likely that all can have confidence going forward with respect to the management of the projects. But the task is not yet done.

Chairman Rowe pointed to a few of the changes, in addition to the President's initial Corrective Action Plan referred to earlier. He pointed out that in late 2003, the Board established a new Audit Committee of the Board and changed and broadened its scope and charter and its membership, fusing members from the Health Center Board as well as the University Board. That Committee, under the direction of Mr. Nayden, has been meeting very frequently and very effectively. And so there was a significant Board induced change in the governance early on, before the Board knew of these problems, because the Board felt that the Audit Committee needed to be enhanced.

But, he continued, the Board feels that there are likely to be additional management changes and additional governance changes which need to be put in place before the Board can move forward with the confidence that the taxpayers deserve and require. The Board is working as a group to develop these recommended changes with the management and administration. The Board hopes and expects that it will continue to develop those in the context of the Governor's panel, so that when the final recommendations come out, perhaps early in the fall, there would be a coherent set of forward-looking management and governance structures and processes.

Notwithstanding the need to develop these in a deliberate way, the Board, Chairman Rowe said, is at the same time moving forward. It has commissioned the final reports from BlumShapiro to get those in and done as soon as possible. They had been languishing. The Board has put in place the Corrective Action Plan the President indicated, and there is forward movement in the items that Vice President Flaherty-Goldsmith outlined earlier, which the Board will hear about during the Financial Affairs Committee report, which are very significant management changes as to what the management oversight is for these projects.

Chairman Rowe said for himself that, having spent many hours reading these materials and talking with people, he believes that there is an absolute commitment on the part of the administration and the Board to develop a program that is beyond reproach. He added that he believes that everyone on the Board and the management understands, and agrees, and accepts the fact that there were very, very significant failures. There were aspects of this program that were great successes in terms of the speed, in terms of much of the quality, in terms of the

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transformational effect it's had on the University. He reminded the Board that this is a series of very expensive, large construction projects about which there has never been any concern that there was political influence. There were very, very careful approaches taken from the very outset to assure this was this was an apolitical process. If the same kinds of attention that was placed on that had been placed on some of the other aspects of it, the University probably wouldn't be where it is now in terms of these concerns. But the Board shouldn't forget that it was a very, very large multi-billion dollar State project like this to come all the way through it and not have any questions raised with respect to fraud or abuse is something that is really noteworthy.

The Chairman thanked the administration and the Board for their ongoing support, advice, and participation, but work is by no means done. He specifically thanked Mr. Walker, who entered as our internal auditor just as this was coming along and has worked very, very hard with the Board. He said that while we are chagrined that there were these deficiencies and failures on the Board as well as the management, we also are equally optimistic and confident that we will have these programs under excellent supervision very soon if they are not already so.

(b) Greetings from the Avery Point Campus

Associate Vice Provost Joe Comprone welcomed the Board to the Avery Point Campus.

(c) Board Recognition

Chairman Rowe read the following resolution in honor of William R. Berkley.

**WILLIAM R. BERKLEY  
1993-2005**

**WHEREAS**, William R. Berkley has served with high distinction as a member of the University of Connecticut Board of Trustees for the past twelve years; and

**WHEREAS**, as a guiding force in the development of the University's Strategic Plan in the mid-1990s, and as an ongoing member of the Strategic Planning, Financial Affairs, Institutional Advancement and Joint Audit and Compliance Committees, Mr. Berkley has played a key role in UConn's transformation from a position of regional leadership to one of national prominence; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Berkley is one of Connecticut's foremost business and civic leaders, who has contributed his financial and management skills to the University throughout his tenure on the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Berkley has been a generous supporter of education in other ways, including service as a member of the governing board of distinguished institutions elsewhere and, here at UConn, as a supporter of the arts and other programs, and, notably, as the endower of the UConn Mentor Connection that has brought more than 700 promising high school students to the University; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Berkley's colleagues on the Board will greatly miss his vision, skill, humor, and forceful advocacy, but recognize that he leaves a major legacy that will serve as a model for future members;

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**NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY *RESOLVED***, That the Board of Trustees of the University of Connecticut records its deep gratitude to William R. Berkley for his distinguished service to this institution, and extends its best wishes for the years ahead.

On a motion by Mr. Treibick, seconded by Mr. Abromaitis, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the resolution for Trustee Berkley.

(d) Committee appointments

Chairman Rowe noted that he has contacted Board members regarding committee assignments. The current committee assignments were provided as a handout at Trustees' places. He asked Trustees to contact him or the Board Office regarding modifications. Chairman Rowe said that he has spoken with Mr. Bozzuto, who has been appointed to the Student Life and Financial Affairs Committees. Dr. Burrow will be contacted about his assignments in addition to his responsibilities as Chair of the Health Center Board of Directors.

Trustee Kazerounian asked if he could participate on other committees in addition to Student Life and asked if there was a limit.

Chairman Rowe asked what committees he would like to be on.

Chairman Rowe responded that Board members typically serve on a couple committees, but there was no specific limit. Chairman Rowe said that Trustee Kazerounian could let them know at the end of the meeting.

Chairman Rowe stated that a revised list would be presented for approval at the next Board meeting. If Board members have additional thoughts about committee assignments, they can contact his office, Ms. Hassett, or Dr. Schurin.

(e) Minutes of the meeting of June 21, 2005

On a motion by Mr. Treibick, seconded by Mr. Barry, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the minutes of the meetings of April 12, May 9, and June 1, 2005.

(f) Consent Agenda Items:

On a motion by Dr. Jacobs, seconded by Mr. Martinez, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the following items listed on the Consent Agenda.

(1) Discontinuation of the Ph.D. Program in Education Studies within the Neag School of Education (Attachment 1)

(2) Renaming of the Bachelor of Science in Agronomy to Bachelor of Science in Turfgrass and Soil Science within the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources (Attachment 2)

(3) Renaming of the Associate of Applied Science in Horticulture to Associate of Applied Science in Ornamental Horticulture and Turfgrass Management within the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources (Attachment 3)

(g) Personnel matters (Storrs-based programs) (Attachment 4)

(1) Designation of Emeritus Faculty

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On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Prelli, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the designation of emeritus status to the following faculty members:

1. David Herzberger, Professor, Department of Modern and Classical Languages, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, effective July 1, 2005.
2. Hugh Macgill, Professor, School of Law, effective July 1, 2005.

(2) Sabbatics

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded Mr. Prelli, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the sabbatic leave list.

(3) Informational matters

(g) Election of Board Secretary

Chairman Rowe called for nominations for the Office of Secretary of the Board of Trustees. Trustee Abromaitis offered a motion, seconded by Dr. Jacobs, to nominate Ms. Bailey as Secretary. The motion was approved unanimously.

Chairman Rowe thanked Vice-Chair Bailey for her willingness to continue to serve another year.

**3. President's Report**

President Austin updated the Board on several important congressional and Connecticut General Assembly legislative issues. Last week Congress approved a \$286.5 billion transportation bill, which provides two noteworthy earmarks for the University. In today's Board materials, the administration seeks approval of a design budget of \$11.5 million for the North Hillside Road project. Congress previously approved \$4 million for federal support for this project. The current transportation bill is expected to provide another \$2.1 million, which means that roughly 53% of the road will be covered by the federal government. The road will open up the most important contiguous space to the University for incubation facilities and other important activities that support our research mission. President Austin thanked Senators Dodd and Lieberman and Congressman Simmons, among others, for their support.

The transportation bill also includes \$2 million over a four-year period to support a "University Transportation Center" in the School of Engineering. The primary activity will be air quality research, specifically ways to reduce emissions, which will bring our substantial expertise to bear in a major health and environmental problem.

At the State level, the State Matching Grant Program will change from a \$1 State match for \$2, in private support \$1 to \$4. Multi-year commitments made prior to January 1, 2005 will be honored at 1:2. President Austin emphasized that the matching grant appropriation does not take place until the State's Rainy Day Fund reaches 10% of the General Fund appropriation. This has not occurred in recent memory, and it is something the University hopes to change legislatively.

The President reported that there was a period in the final weeks of the Legislative Session in which the continuation of the Matching Grant Program was in question, and in the final weeks several key legislative leaders in support of this program crafted a document that could be passed and kept in existence for potential modification next year. Fortunately, there are many legislative leaders who understand the importance of this particular bill as a means for the University to induce private

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philanthropy in ways that had never been the case prior to the enactment of UCONN 2000. President Austin stated that it is very important to continue the momentum.

President Austin noted that as a result of new legislation, the positions of Chair of the Health Center Board of Directors and Commissioner of the Department of Economic and Community Development (Dr. Gerard N. Burrow, effective September 1, and Trustee James Abromaitis, respectively) have become ex officio members of the Board of Trustees. Because of the statutory change in regarding the state office position Trustee Abromaitis currently holds, the Governor has the opportunity to appoint another member of the Board.

President Austin stated that over the past several months, the administration has acknowledged problems in the building construction program in legislative forums and before the Governor's Commission. He stressed that the administration takes the deficiencies very seriously and has indicated regret that the problems have occurred, and in response we have put forth a Corrective Action Plan that takes substantial steps to rectify those deficiencies. President Austin added that there may be additional work needed. He also stated that the University administration is absolutely committed to ensuring that Connecticut taxpayers know that their dollars are being invested wisely to produce the best quality, publicly supported institution. President Austin thanked Chairman Rowe and the Board for their support.

Without diminishing the importance of the challenges that the University faces, President Austin reported on some positive highlights regarding student enrollment. He emphasized that UCONN 2000 legislation was enacted to address some important issues, such as the "brain drain" of Connecticut students; strengthening the relationship between the research university and the corporate aspirations for economic expansion; and finding ways to keep Connecticut's best students in the State to enhance the quality of the economy, tax base, and quality of life. He was pleased that during this time of administrative and structural challenge, the University still received 19,737 applicants for Storrs, which is up over 200 compared to last year. We are still holding the number of freshman constant for the fourth consecutive year. The average Storrs SAT score is up to 1191, which is 12 points higher than last year.

President Austin also reported that 22% of the incoming students are minority, which is up from 17% last year. Last fall the University welcomed 96 valedictorians and salutatorians. As of last week, we expect 115, which means one out of every 28 students was first or second in his or her high school class.

#### **4. Academic Affairs Committee Report**

(a) Committee Chairman's report on Committee activities

Vice-Chair Jacobs reported that the Academic Affairs Committee met this morning. He emphasized the positive student enrollment statistics presented by President Austin. Vice-Chair Jacobs also stated that the Academic Affairs Committee remains committed to supporting and recognizing the increasing minority student population. This mission is in keeping with the metrics that were set for the administration over the past several years.

The Academic Affairs Committee discussed the discontinuation of the Ph.D. Program in Education Studies within the Neag School of Education and the renaming of two degrees in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, all of which were approved under the Consent Agenda.



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Vice-Chair Jacobs indicated that he is looking forward to continuing discussion on the Provost's academic initiatives.

## 5. Financial Affairs Committee Report

### (a) Committee Chairman's report on Committee activities

Vice-Chair Nayden reported that the Financial Affairs Committee met this morning and discussed numerous items. Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Flaherty-Goldsmith led a discussion of the new proposed guidelines set forth to manage and monitor the budgeting of construction projects. Following that discussion, Vice President Flaherty-Goldsmith discussed a series of separate budget approvals for specific projects dealing with on-going work and investment. As we continue to move forward on these new processes, these guidelines will ensure that there is proper monitoring control and accounting for the invested dollars for the State and its constituents.

Vice-Chair Nayden asked Linda to summarize the key provisions.

Vice President Flaherty-Goldsmith discussed the following key provisions of the Guidelines:

- 1) All capital budgets in excess of \$500,000 that commence after July 1, 2005 will have detailed budgets at the planning, design, and final stages.
- 2) That these budgets will represent revenues from all sources and expenditures from all sources.
- 3) That budgets prior to July 1, 2005 will not have the required contingencies that will be required going forward.
- 4) For projects already underway as of July 1, 2005, the administration will bring forward the remaining budgets between now and November 2005.
- 5) The administration will continue to develop Deferred Maintenance budgets as they have done in the past and present them as part of the capital budget process. In the fall, after the fiscal year is closed, they will bring forward the list of projects that have been designated from Deferred Maintenance, and as expenditures are made, reports that reflect those expenditures.
- 6) They will implement a process that mimics that for the line in UCONN 2000 entitled "Equipment, Library Collections and Telecommunications."

The Building and Grounds (B & G) Committee will continue to develop other guidelines that will be presented to the Board. One of those is in the process of being implemented now, which deals with the purchase of furniture that is not required for the primary function of the building. The new process dictates that office-type furniture will not come out of the UCONN 2000 budget, but will be funded from other sources in the school or department. They will be presented to the Board as a footnote to the budget.

Chairman Rowe asked why this guideline was developed. Vice President Flaherty-Goldsmith responded that there have been numerous discussions on this issue and it was decided that it was important to maximize UCONN 2000 dollars for relevant capital infrastructure rather than for the purpose of furnishing office equipment. She

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clarified that research equipment would be considered part of the project and would be an appropriately purchase out of UCONN 2000 funds. Departments are encouraged to fund office furniture from their own accounts or use furniture that was available in their previous facility.

Chairman Rowe raised concerns about the potential for individual furniture purchases and asked for some assurance that the procurement process would be organized to assure that the University would receive the best price.

Vice President Flaherty-Goldsmith responded that as a general rule, departments order office equipment together and work closely with the University's Purchasing Department. She was confident that the procurement process could be managed in a way that would deter excess costs.

Chairman Rowe referred to an earlier question that was raised in the Financial Affairs Committee regarding the project for the Intramural, Recreational and Intercollegiate Facilities (Burton and Shenkman Facilities in Attachment 7). A question was raised about the accessibility of those facilities to the general student population – those who do not participate in organized intramural sports. He asked Mr. Hathaway how those facilities were going to be used.

Athletic Director Hathaway responded that he spoke a few days ago with newly elected Student Trustee Kazerounian and Dr. Ronald Schurin about this matter. Athletics will be determining program usage for varsity teams. Many of their teams, including football, will be utilizing those facilities, especially because of the lack of outdoor fields and cold weather. However, they will also be programming that facility for recreation purposes and intramurals. They are working closely with the Executive Director of Recreational Services in developing activities and leagues that will utilize the facility, and the general student population will have access to the building through that process.

Chairman Rowe asked if students who are not members of an organized team could utilize the services and obtain some schedule access.

Athletic Director Hathaway responded that students can access the facility in the same manner as other recreational facilities, through their UConn ID card. The new facility is designed for intramural and related activities, such as soccer, flag football, etc. There will not be an indoor track.

(b) Items requiring Board discussion and approval:

- (1) General Guidelines for Implementing the Corrective Action Plan  
for UConn's Construction Program (Attachment 5)

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded Ms. Bailey, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the General Guidelines for Implementing the Corrective Action Plan for UConn's Construction Program.

- (2) Approval of Project Budget (Design) for North Hillside Road  
Completion (Attachment 6)

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded Ms. Bailey, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the Design Budget of \$11,500,000 for North Hillside Road Completion.

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- (3) Approval of Project Budget (Final) for Intramural, Recreational and Intercollegiate Facilities (Burton Family Football Complex and Mark R. Shenkman Training Center) (Attachment 7)

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded Ms. Bailey, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the Final Budget totaling \$45,597,000 for Intramural, Recreational and Intercollegiate Facilities (Burton Family Football Complex and Mark R. Shenkman Training Center) as said project was previously approved as part of the annual Capital Plan for 2005 and as part of the EIE Study at its August 3, 2004 meeting.

- (4) Approval of Project Budget (Final) for Hilltop Apartments Corrective Action Plan (Attachment 8)

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded Ms. Bailey, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the detailed Final Budget for the Hilltop Apartments Corrective Action Plan.

- (5) Approval of Project Budget (Final) for North Hillside Road Tennis Courts (Attachment 9)

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded Ms. Bailey, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the Final Budget of \$900,000 for the North Hillside Road Tennis Courts which are required to replace the courts that were removed to clear the site for the Burton Family Football Complex and Mark R. Shenkman Training Center.

- (6) Approval of Project Budget (Final) for Law School Renovations/Improvements (Hartranft Elevator) (Attachment 10)

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded Ms. Bailey, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the Final Budget of \$1,095,600 for the Law School renovations/improvements (Hartranft Elevator) previously detailed in the annual Capital Budget materials presented in June of 2005.

- (7) Approval of Project Budget (Final) for West Hartford Campus Renovations/Improvements (Attachment 11)

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded Ms. Bailey, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the Final Budget of \$850,000 for the West Hartford campus renovations/improvements.

- (c) Informational item:

- (1) UCONN 2000 Book #20 (Separate cover)

## 6. Joint Audit and Compliance Committee Report

- (a) Committee Chairman's report on Committee activities

Chairman Rowe made initial comments at the outset of the Board meeting regarding the draft report of the Joint Audit and Compliance that was discussed during Executive Session. Vice-Chair Nayden stated that he did not have additional comments.

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**7. Health Center Report**

(a) Report on Health Center activities

Chairman Rowe reported that there was no official report of the Health Center Board of Directors. He informed the Board that Executive Vice President for Health Affairs Deckers recently underwent heart surgery for an elective procedure and is recovering well. Chairman Rowe also mentioned that there are a number of openings on the Health Center Board of Directors and he, Ms. Leonardi, and Dr. Burrow have discussed these openings in conjunction with the Governor's Office. They are making progress in identifying individuals to serve.

**8. Student Life Committee Report**

(a) Committee Chairwoman's report on Committee activities

There was no report of the Student Life Committee.

**9. Institutional Advancement Committee Report**

(a) Committee Chairman's report on Committee activities

Vice-Chair Treibick reported that the Institutional Affairs Committee met via teleconference on Friday, July 29, 2005.

Vice-Chair Treibick directed Trustee attention to Attachment 14, the Development Progress Executive Summary as of May 31, 2005. The Foundation reported that approximately \$56 million will be raised as of June 30, 2005 from about 34,000 donors, which represents the second highest level in the University's history. Last year's \$75 million was the all-time high. The single largest gift was a \$10 million commitment from Ray Neag. As a result of this gift, the UConn Health Center raised \$21 million, which is an all-time high. Athletics contributed \$16.7 million – another high. Alumni contributed 38% of the total, corporations 24.6%, and foundations 16.6%.

Vice-Chair Treibick also noted that cash gifts totaled \$56 million, which was 120% of the goal. The amount eligible for State match is almost non-existent at this point in time.

The Annual Fund increased by 20% to cross the \$3 million threshold for the first time. The number of alumni and other donors totaled 26,787 in support of the Annual Fund. The President's Fund was off 10% and the Dean's Fund was up 41%.

Operationally, the UConn Foundation completed a successful year under budget with a total investment return at 10% compared with the S & P return of 6.3%.

Chairman Rowe noted that that return is very positive.

President Austin added that there are some extraordinary individuals on the Foundation's Investment Committee, such as John Kim, Mark Shenkman, Denis McCarthy, and Gary Gladstein. They are very well known in the industry and have made some profitable decisions, such as anticipating the downturn four or five years ago.

Chairman Rowe asked Vice-Chair Treibick if fund raising efforts have been affected by the negative media coverage. Vice-Chair Treibick responded that the current climate has not had a negative affect on philanthropy. He also stated that he did not believe that the issues regarding the State Match Program would affect fundraising efforts. The Foundation has established a base of approximately \$50 to \$60 million that they can raise annually primarily by tapping sources that are

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currently available. In order to raise more than that, the Foundation would need to think in terms of another capital campaign, which is something that should be considered. He noted that it took several years to achieve a solid database with a good product to sell.

(b) Items requiring Board discussion and approval:

(1) Academic Program Naming Recommendation (Attachment 12)

(a) College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

(1) Judi and Gary Gladstein Distinguished Chair  
in Human Rights

On a motion by Dr. Rowe, seconded by Mr. Abromaitis, **THE BOARD VOTED** to approve the Judi and Gary Gladstein Distinguished Chair in Human Rights.

Dr. Dennis-LaVigne reported on the following facilities naming recommendations.

(2) Facilities Naming Recommendations (Attachment 13)

(a) Health Center

(1) The Chase Family Skeletal Biology Research  
Laboratories and The Chase Family Research Floor

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Abromaitis, **THE BOARD VOTED** to authorize naming the fourth floor laboratories of the Medical Arts and Research Building at the University of Connecticut Health Center The Chase Family Skeletal Biology Research Laboratories. It is understood that research is the primary purpose of the building's fourth floor, and it is therefore agreed that the entire fourth floor will be named as The Chase Family Research Floor.

(2) The Laura and Mark Yellin Conference Center

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Abromaitis, **THE BOARD VOTED** to authorize naming the University of Connecticut Health Center's conference rooms EG-013 and EG-052 and immediately adjoining spaces as The Laura and Mark Yellin Conference Center.

(b) School of Law

(1) Cheryl A. Chase Hall

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Abromaitis, **THE BOARD VOTED** to authorize naming the administration building at the School of Law, presently known as Hartranft Hall, as the Cheryl A. Chase Hall.

(c) College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

(1) RV Lowell Weicker  
(Department of Marine Sciences, Avery Point Campus)

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On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Abromaitis, **THE BOARD VOTED** to authorize naming the University of Connecticut's new marine sciences research vessel the RV Lowell Weicker.

Vice-Chair Treibick abstained from voting on this item.

(d) School of Pharmacy

- (1) Harold G. Hewitt Pharmaceutical Sciences  
Research Laboratories

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Abromaitis, **THE BOARD VOTED**, based upon a recommendation from the University's Building Names Committee, to authorize naming the pharmacy research laboratories in the new School of Pharmacy/Biology building on the Storrs campus as the Harold G. Hewitt Pharmaceutical Sciences Research Laboratories.

(e) Division of Student Affairs

- (1) Douglas A. Bernstein '85 Game Room

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Abromaitis, **THE BOARD VOTED** to authorize naming the game room in the Student Union the Douglas A. Bernstein '85 Game Room.

Chairman Rowe asked for more detail about renaming a building at the Law School. He wanted to make sure that it did not have a donor designation in the beginning.

Trustee Dennis-LaVigne responded that the Law School property previously belonged to the Hartford Seminary and the building name was part of that designation. The administration at the Law School has assured the Institutional Advancement Committee and the Building Names Committee that there would be no problem renaming this building.

Trustee Barry stated that the naming recommendation for the Harold G. Hewitt Pharmaceutical Sciences Research Laboratories located in the new Pharmacy Building represents the first opportunity to apply the Policy Regarding Demolition of Named Structures, which was approved at the April Board meeting.

Chairman Rowe thanked Vice-Chair Treibick for his gift for the marine sciences research vessel.

Vice-Chair Treibick asked University Communications Directory Brohinsky to provide a legislative update. Mr. Brohinsky briefly mentioned the statutory changes to the Matching Grant Program and the change in composition of the Board of Trustees that Vice-Chair Treibick discussed earlier in his report. Mr. Brohinsky noted that the Health Center will have access to the Connecticut Health and Education Finance Authority (CHEFA), which will allow them access to state supported bonds for clinical activity for the research and educational mission of the Health Center. This is a very important change. He

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noted that Alvin Wilson has been the point person for the University with respect to both the State and Federal governmental relations.

(c) Development Progress Executive Summary (Attachment 14)

**10. Adjournment**

Chairman Rowe announced that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 20, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. at the University of Connecticut, Rome Commons Ballroom (South Campus Complex), Storrs, Connecticut.

There being no further business appearing, the Board meeting adjourned at 2:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary