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

## **MINUTES**

University of Connecticut  
Rome Commons Ballroom  
South Campus Complex  
Storrs, Connecticut

March 23, 2010

## **OPEN SESSION**

The meeting was called to order at 11:03 a.m. by Chairman Lawrence McHugh. Trustees present were: Francis Archambault, Jr., Louise Bailey, Michael Bozzuto, Gerard Burrow, Richard Colon, Jr., Andrea Dennis-LaVigne, Peter Drotch, Lenworth Jacobs, Jr., Michael Martinez, Joan McDonald, Thomas Ritter, Corey Schmitt, Wayne Shepperd, and Robert Ward.

Trustees F. Philip Prelli and Richard Treibick participated by telephone.

Trustees Rebecca Lobo, Mark McQuillan, Denis Nayden, and Kevin J. Kelleher, who represents the Governor's Office, were absent from the meeting.

University staff present were: President Hogan, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Nicholls, Vice President for Health Affairs Laurencin, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Gray, Vice President and Chief Operations Officer Feldman, Vice President for Human Resources and Payroll Services Munroe, Vice President for Student Affairs Saddleire, Interim Vice President for Enrollment Planning, Management and Institutional Research Melvin, Senior Vice Provost and Vice President for Research Singha, Interim Vice Provost Cooper, Senior Associate to the President and Chief of Staff Troyer, Associate Vice President of Architectural and Engineering Services Bradley, Associate Vice President for Diversity and Equity McGee, Associate Vice President for Communications Walter, Executive Secretary to the Board Rubin, Chief Audit and Compliance Officer Walker, Health Center Chief Financial Officer Biancamano, Acting Health Center Chief of Staff Callahan, Senate Representatives Gary English, Karla Fox, William Stwalley, C. Ernesto Zirakzadeh, and Ms. Locke.

Assistant Attorneys General Ralph Urban and Michael Sullivan were also present.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On a motion by Mr. Treibick, seconded by Mr. Drotch, the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 11:04 a.m. to discuss:

1. Commercial or financial information given in confidence
2. Preliminary drafts and notes that the University has determined that the public interest in withholding such documents clearly outweighs the public interest in disclosure

Chairman McHugh 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: Archambault, Bailey, Bozzuto, Burrow, Colon, Dennis-LaVigne, Drotch, Jacobs, Martinez, McDonald, McHugh, Ritter, Schmitt, Shepperd, and Ward.

Trustees Prelli and Treibick participated by telephone.

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The following University staff were present for the meeting: President Hogan, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Nicholls, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Gray, Vice President and Chief Operations Officer Feldman, Vice President for Human Resources and Payroll Services Munroe, Senior Associate to the President and Chief of Staff Troyer, and Executive Secretary to the Board Rubin.

Assistant Attorneys General Ralph Urban and Michael Sullivan were also present.

### OPEN SESSION

Executive Session ended at 11:21 a.m. The Board returned to Open Session at 1:00 p.m. Trustees Shepperd, Treibick, and Kevin J. Kelleher, who represents the Governor's Office, joined the meeting by telephone. John Dempsey Hospital Director Summerer, and Senate Representatives Donna Korbel and Andrew Moiseff also joined the meeting at this time.

#### 1. Public Participation

The following members of the public addressed the Board on environmental sustainability on campus:

- Catherine Pomposi, Student
- Kathleen A. Carey, Student

#### 2. Chairman's Report

(a) Matters outstanding

(b) Minutes of the meeting of February 18, 2010

On a motion by Dr. Burrow, seconded by Mr. Drotch, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 18, 2010.

(c) Recommendations for Designation as Board of Trustees  
Distinguished Professor, Academic Year 2009-2010 (Attachment 1)

Presentations were made by each of the Designees describing their research.

On a motion by Dr. Jacobs, seconded by Ms. Bailey, the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendations for designation as University of Connecticut Board of Trustees Distinguished Professor.

(d) Consent Agenda Items:

On a motion by Mr. Drotch, seconded by Ms. McDonald, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda.

(1) Contracts and Agreements for the Storrs-based programs (Attachment 2)

(2) Designation of Authorized Officer for Sale Purposes for  
UCONN 2000 General Obligation and Special Obligation  
Bonds (Attachment 3)

#### 3. President's Report

President Hogan acknowledged the help of many in facilitating The UConn Health Network and Connecticut Bioscience Initiative. He thanked the Board, particularly those Trustees who participated actively in the listening tour, specifically Chairman McHugh, and Trustees Ritter, Archambault, and Ward. President Hogan also thanked Health Center Board of Directors Chair Burrow and Vice-Chair Sandy Cloud. He also expressed his gratitude to Governor Rell, the leadership of the General Assembly, CEO's of the regional affiliated hospitals, and Senator Christopher Dodd for pursuing federal assistance for this venture.

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President Hogan informed the Board that the Honors and Awards Committee met earlier this year and has put forth recommendations to award at this year's Commencement ceremony an honorary *Doctor of Humane Letters* to each of the following individuals: Dr. Scott S. Cowen, Mr. Wendell G. Minor, and Dr. Narissa Ramdhani.

On a motion by Mr. Drotch, seconded by Dr. Jacobs, the Board voted unanimously to add to the agenda the recommendations for honorary degrees.

On a motion by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendations to award an honorary *Doctor of Humane Letters* to Dr. Scott S. Cowen, Mr. Wendell G. Minor, and Dr. Narissa Ramdhani.

4. Academic Affairs Committee Report

- (a) Report on Committee activities

5. Financial Affairs Committee Report

- (a) Report on Committee activities
- (b) Items requiring Board discussion and approval:

On a motion by Mr. Drotch, seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted unanimously to add to the agenda consideration of the following item:

- (1) Project Budget (Revised Final) for Waterbury Downtown Campus – Courtyard Landscaping and Artwork

Chairman McHugh asked for a collective vote on the project budgets. On a motion by Mr. Drotch, seconded by Mr. Ritter, the Board voted unanimously to approve the project budgets (Items 1 – 8), along with the project budget previously added to the agenda.

- (1) Project Budget (Planning) for Code Remediation and Renovations – Ratcliffe Hicks Arena (Attachment 4)
- (2) Project Budget (Planning) for Residential Life Facilities – McMahon Elevator Replacement (Attachment 5)
- (3) Project Budget (Planning) for Shippee Dining Hall Renovations (Attachment 6)
- (4) Project Budget (Design) for Depot Storehouse – Roof Replacement (Attachment 7)
- (5) Project Budget (Design) for the Security Upgrades – Hilltop Apartments (Attachment 8)
- (6) Project Budget (Final) for Jorgensen Renovation – Auditorium Seating Replacement (Attachment 9)
- (7) Project Budget (Final) for Steam Condensate Distribution System Improvements – Phase I (Attachment 10)
- (8) Project Budget (Third Revised Final) for the Law School Renovations/Improvements – Façade Restoration (Attachment 11)

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6. Joint Audit and Compliance Committee Report
  - (a) Report on Committee activities
7. Buildings, Grounds and Environment Committee Report
  - (a) Report on Committee activities
8. Construction Management Oversight Committee Report
  - (a) Report on Committee activities
9. Health Center Report
  - (a) Report on Health Center activities

On a motion by Dr. Burrow, seconded by Mr. Ritter, the Board voted unanimously to add to the agenda The UConn Health Network and Connecticut Bioscience Initiative proposal.

Dr. Burrow reported that the Governor's proposal was formally presented to the Health Center Board of Directors last week and received unanimous endorsement. The proposal includes a new bed tower for the John Dempsey Hospital, renovations to the existing clinical facilities, and the transfer of the NICU operations to the Connecticut Children's Medical Center, which will allow for additional medical-surgical beds. It also provides for the creation of The UConn Health Network, which is comprised of five initiatives that are collaborations with regional hospitals. Dr. Burrow also noted that the Governor's proposal calls expansion and strengthening of the existing Clinical and Translational Science Institute and the establishment of a Bioscience Enterprise Zone.

Chairman McHugh expressed his gratitude to President Hogan, Vice President Laurencin, and Vice President Gray for their time and effort over the last several years. He personally thanked Trustee Ritter, Ward, and Archambault for the listening tour effort, and also Health Center Board of Directors Chair Burrow and Vice-Chair Cloud, along with Trustees Jacobs, Shepperd, and McDonald. Chairman McHugh also acknowledged Governor Rell and the legislative leadership for their support as we move forward.

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Ms. McDonald, the Board voted unanimously to endorse the elements of The UConn Health Network and Connecticut Bioscience Initiative.

A copy of the resolution is attached to the file copy of the Board minutes.

- (b) Informational items:
  - (1) Health Center Board of Directors Recognitions (Attachment 12)
10. Student Life Committee Report
  - (a) Report on Committee activities
11. Institutional Advancement Committee Report
  - (a) Report on Committee activities
  - (b) Development Progress Executive Summary (Attachment 13)

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12. Adjournment

Chairman McHugh announced that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at the Rome Commons Ballroom (South Campus Complex), Storrs, Connecticut.

There being no further business appearing, the Board meeting adjourned at 2:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise M. Bailey  
Secretary