

**ATHENS STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BOARD MEETING
JULY 18, 2014**

The Athens State University Board of Trustees (also referred herein as the Board) held a meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, July 18, 2014 in the Founders Hall Chapel to consider University matters.

**PRESIDING: DR. SANDRA SIMS-deGRAFFENRIED
CHAIR PRO TEMPORE OF THE BOARD**

The Board of Trustees meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. by Dr. Sandra Sims-deGraffenried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no individuals registered to speak to the Board.

ROLL CALL

On roll call, the following Board members were present and constituted a quorum to conduct business:

Dr. Sandra Sims-deGraffenried
Ms. Cathy Dickens
Mr. Garth Lovvorn
Mr. Macke Mauldin
Senator Arthur Orr
Ms. Maxine Randolph
Mr. Tazewell Shepard

Also present were Dr. Robert Glenn, President of Athens State University and Ms. Jackie Gooch, Secretary to the Board. Governor Robert Bentley, Dr. Mark Heinrich, Ms. Mary Scott Hunter, and Mr. Clint Shelton were absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion made by Senator Arthur Orr and seconded by Mr. Garth Lovvorn the Board approved the agenda by affirmative votes (7-0) of members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Mr. Garth Lovvorn and seconded by Mr. Tazewell Shepard, the Board approved the minutes of the April 18, 2014 Board meeting by the affirmative votes (7-0) of members present.

OLD BUSINESS, PENDING MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Mike McCoy, Vice President for Financial Affairs, reported that the Executive Committee of the Board met on May 28, 2014 and approved a 7% tuition increase for 2014-2015 pending final approval of the Board of Trustees.

NEW BUSINESS, PENDING MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

AY 2014-2015 Budget (Attachment A)

On a motion made by Senator Arthur Orr and seconded by Mr. Macke Mauldin, the Board approved the AY 2014-2015 Budget. This motion was approved by affirmative votes (7-0) of members present.

AY 2014-2015 Tuition and Fee Schedule (Attachment B)

On a motion made by Ms. Cathy Dickens and seconded by Mr. Garth Lovvorn, the Board approved the AY 2014-2015 Tuition and Fee Schedule. This motion was approved by affirmative votes (7-0) of members present.

Board of Trustees Nominating Committee – Board Representative (Attachment C)

Dr. Sandra Sims-deGraffenried explained the process, as mandated by legislation, for appointing Trustees. Dr. Sims-deGraffenried opened the floor for nominations to serve on the nominating committee. Ms. Cathy Dickens volunteered to serve as the Board representative on the nominating committee. On a motion made by Mr. Tazewell Shepard, Dr. Sims-deGraffenried closed the nomination process. Ms. Cathy Dickens will serve as the Board representative on the nominating committee.

Approval of Non-Degree Programs (Certificate Programs) (Attachment D)

On a motion made by Mr. Garth Lovvorn and seconded by Ms. Maxine Randolph, the Board approved the following non-degree programs (certificate programs) offered by the University: 1) SAP Student Achievement Recognition Certificate, 2) Certificate in Logistics and Supply Chain Management, 3) Certificate in Acquisition and Contract Management and 4) Certificate in Marketing and 5) Certificate in Children's Advocacy Studies Training (CAST). This motion was approved by affirmative votes (7-0) of members present.

Options: Public History Option (History Major) and Public History Option (Social Science Major) (Attachment E)

On a motion made by Mr. Macke Mauldin and seconded by Mr. Tazewell Shepard, the Board approved the Public History option offered under the B.A. in History major and under the B.S. in Social Science major. This motion was approved by affirmative votes (7-0) of members present.

2015 Board of Trustee Retreat and Board of Trustee Meeting Dates (Attachment F)

On a motion made by Mr. Garth Lovvorn and seconded by Mr. Tazewell Shepard, the Board approved the 2015 Board of Trustee Retreat and Board of Trustee Meeting Dates. Mr. Lovvorn asked if the proposed January 16, 2015 date could be changed to January 23, 2015. Senator Orr made a motion to amend the January 16, 2015 date to January 23, 2015 and it was seconded by Mr. Macke Mauldin. This motion was approved by affirmative votes (7-0) of members present.

The Board will meet on the following dates for 2014-2015:

Friday, January 23, 2015 (8:00 am – 1:00 pm) Board Retreat
Friday, January 23, 2015 at 2:00 pm
Friday, April 17, 2015 at 2:00 pm
Friday, July 17, 2015 at 2:00 pm
Friday, October 16, 2015 at 2:00 pm

Election of Chair *Pro Tempore* and Vice Chair *Pro Tempore* for 2014-2016 (Attachment G)

Dr. Sandra Sims-deGraffenried declared the floor open for nominations for the Chair *Pro Tempore*. Senator Arthur Orr nominated Mr. Macke Mauldin for Chair *Pro Tempore*. Receiving no other nominations, Dr. Sims-deGraffenried closed the nomination process. Mr. Macke Mauldin acknowledge his willingness to serve. He was elected by a unanimous vote of the Trustees and will serve as Chair *Pro Tempore* of the Board of Trustees commencing in October 2014 and ending October 2016.

Dr. Sandra Sims-deGraffenried declared the floor open for nominations for Vice Chair *Pro Tempore*. Senator Arthur Orr nominated Ms. Cathy Dickens for Vice Chair *Pro Tempore*. Receiving no other nominations, Dr. Sims-deGraffenried closed the nomination process. Ms. Cathy Dickens acknowledged her willingness to serve. She was elected by unanimous vote of the Trustees will serve as Vice Chair *Pro Tempore* of the Board of Trustees commencing in October 2014 and ending October 2016.

2013-2014 President's Evaluation (Attachment H)

Dr. Sims-deGraffenried explained the process for evaluating the President. Dr. Sims-deGraffenried thanked all who participated. On a motion made by Mr. Garth Lovvorn and seconded by Mr. Macke Mauldin, the Board accepted the 2013-2014 performance evaluation of President Glenn as reviewed by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried with Dr. Glenn on July 3, 2014. This motion was approved by affirmative votes (7-0) of members present.

President's Salary 2014-2015 (Attachment I)

On a motion made by Mr. Garth Lovvorn and seconded by Ms. Maxine Randolph, the Board set President Glenn's annual base salary for 2014-2015 at \$200,000 (this is not an increase from 2013-2014) and extended the President's three (3) year rolling contract to December 31, 2016.

OTHER BUSINESS

Area updates were presented to the Board of Trustees by the following individuals:

Dr. Ron Cromwell, Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs
Mr. Mike McCoy, Vice President for Financial Affairs
Mr. Rick Mould, Vice President for University Advancement
Ms. Sarah McAbee – Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services
Ms. Belinda Krigel – Chief Information Officer
Mr. Damon Lares – Presiding Officer, Staff Senate

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Glenn reviewed updates and announcements with the Board.

REPORT AND CLOSING COMMENTS OF BOARD MEMBERS

Dr. Sims-deGraffenried thanked everyone for the reports/presentations.

Dr. Sims-deGraffenried thanked the Trustees for their attendance and thanked everyone in the audience for their attendance and commented that this was the largest attendance at a Board meeting.

Dr. Sims-deGraffenried reminded everyone to remember the University when reviewing their annual charitable contributions.

Dr. Sims-deGraffenried reminded Board members of the upcoming Summer Commencement. Any Board members who wish to bring greetings at any of these events should let Dr. Sims-deGraffenried know. Summer 2014 Commencement is scheduled for August 2, 2014.

Dr. Sims-deGraffenried stated that the Board Committees would begin working. Mr. Mauldin will convene the Finance and Facilities Committee before the October Board meeting. Dr. Sims-deGraffenried reminded committee chairs to utilize faculty members and the Board of Visitors for committee work.

Dr. Sims-deGraffenried reported that Board members had been receiving anonymous notes/letters in the mail since the last Board meeting. She further explained that those anonymous notes and letters were thrown in the trash. She requested that the individual(s) responsible for those notes to please make an appointment to speak with Dr. Glenn about their concerns and stated that she would be available to meet with them as well. Dr. Sims-deGraffenried further commented that she hoped this was not a member of the Athens State University family who authored these notes as they were poorly written and contained grammatical and punctuation errors.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Garth Lovvorn and seconded by Mr. Macke Mauldin, Dr. Sandra Sims-deGraffenried adjourned the Athens State University Board of Trustees meeting at 4:00 p.m.