

**ATHENS STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 19, 2018**

The Athens State University Board of Trustees (also referred herein as the Board) held a meeting at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, October 19, 2018 in the Founders Hall Chapel to consider University matters.

PRESIDING: MR. RONNIE CHRONISTER

The Board of Trustees meeting was called to order at 2:34 p.m. by Mr. Ronnie Chronister.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ROLL CALL

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

Ms. Crystal Brown	Ms. Maxine Randolph
Mr. Ronnie Chronister	Ms. Missy Ming Smith
Mr. Macke Mauldin	
Senator Arthur Orr	

Also present were Dr. Ron Ingle, Interim President of Athens State University and Mr. Shane Black, University Legal Counsel, and Ms. Jackie Gooch, Secretary to the Board. Governor Kay Ivey and Chancellor Jimmy Baker, Cathy Dickens, Clint Shelton and Dr. Sandra Sims-deGraffenried were absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Senator Orr, the Board approved the agenda by affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board approved the minutes of the July 20, 2018 Board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS, PENDING MOTIONS AND RESOLUTION

Chairman Chronister updated the Board on the progress of the presidential search process.

NEW BUSINESS, PENDING MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Adoption of Resolution 3-10-19-2018 (Attachment A)

On a motion made by Ms. Brown and seconded by Ms. Randolph, the Board approved the adoption of Resolution 3-10-19-2018 which confirmed the selection of Academic Search as the firm to assist in searching

for and identifying candidates for President of the University. This resolution further authorized the Executive Committee to negotiate and enter into, on behalf of the University, a contract with Academic Search for its services in searching for and identifying candidates for President of the University. The resolution charged and directed Interim President Ingle to work with the search firm to identify three (3) to five (5) candidates for President of the University and to present such candidates to the Board for its consideration. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Adoption of Resolution 1-10-19-2018 (Attachment B)

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Ms. Brown, the Board approved the adoption of Resolution 1-10-19-2018 as presented. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Board of Trustees Evaluation Policy (Attachment C)

On a motion made by Ms. Randolph and seconded by Senator Orr, the Board approved the Board of Trustees Evaluation policy as presented. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Amended Athens State University Board of Trustees By-Laws (Attachment D)

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Ms. Brown, the Board approved the revisions to the by-laws as presented. These revisions clarify the Governor as Ex Officio President of the Board. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Athens State University Board of Trustees Conflict of Interest Notification and Disclosure (Attachment E)

On a motion made by Ms. Brown and seconded by Ms. Smith, the Board reaffirmed and each individual board member present signed the Conflict of Interest Notification and Disclosure statement for 2018-2019. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Athens State University Board of Trustees Roles and Responsibilities (Attachment F)

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Senator Orr, the Board reaffirmed and each individual board member present signed the Roles and Responsibilities statement for 2018-2019. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

2016-2017 Strategic Plan Report Card (Attachment G)

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Ms. Randolph, the Board accepted the 2016-2017 Strategic Plan Report Card as presented. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Board of Visitors Nomination and Appointment (Attachment H)

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board approved the nomination and appointment of the following individuals to the Board of Visitors for a three-year term. **College of Education:** Penny Simmons Boyett. **College of Arts and Sciences:** Aladin Beshir and Julia Roth. **College of Business:** Ronnie Smith, Kim King, Shane Hammett, Debbie McGee. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Executive Committee Appointment (Attachment I)

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Ms. Brown, the Board appointed Dr. Sandra Sims-deGraffenried to the Executive Committee for 2018-2019. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Sandridge Student Center Renovation (Attachment J)

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Ms. Randolph, the Board approved the increase of \$680,651 in the contract amount for the capital improvement, alteration and remodeling of the Sandridge Student Center. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Classroom Building Renovation: Teaching and Learning Center (Attachment K)

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board approved the expenditures for capital improvement, alteration, and remodeling of the first floor of the Classroom Building for a faculty commons and technology suite along with an improved student lounge/study area not to exceed \$1,200,000. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Class B Health and Physical Education Teacher Certification – B.S.Ed. Physical Education (Attachment L)

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Ms. Smith, the Board approved the addition of Class B Certification in Health (6-12) to the Physical Education (P-12) degree to the B.S.Ed. in Physical Education. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

ACHE Information Item: COAS Department of Government and Public Affairs (Attachment M)

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board approved the information-only item for department restructure in the College of Arts and Sciences to be sent to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

Resolution 2-10-19-2018 – Service Commendation for Dr. Pat Sims (Attachment N)

On a motion made by Ms. Brown and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board adopted Resolution 2-10-19-2018 honoring Dr. Pat Sims for her service to the University. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

OTHER BUSINESS

Revisions to Board of Trustee By-laws (Attachment O)

Recommended revisions to (Article 2 – Section 5: Removal of member of the Board) the current bylaws were presented to the Board for consideration. Pursuant to the current bylaws, amendments shall not be voted upon in the same meeting in which they are introduced to allow for proper review. These revisions will be brought forward at the January 2019 Board meeting for approval.

Athens State University Family Relationship Disclosure

The Board was presented with Family Relationship Disclosure Forms received since the July 2018 Board meeting.

Reaffirmation and Accreditation Update (Attachment P)

The Board was presented information regarding the SACSCOC reaffirmation. This information included a timeline, overview of the compliance certification and the Quality Enhancement Plan.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No additional report.

REPORT AND CLOSING COMMENTS OF BOARD MEMBERS

Board Committee Updates and Report Acceptance

Enrollment and Student Services – chaired by Ms. Smith

Academic Affairs – chaired by Ms. Randolph

Finance and Facilities – chaired by Mr. Chronister

Development – chaired by Mr. Mauldin (in the absence of Dr. Sims-deGraffenried)

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Ms. Brown, the Board accepted the Enrollment/Student Services Board Committee report, the Academic Affairs Committee report, the Development Committee report, and the Finance and Facilities Committee reports as presented. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (6-0) of members present.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, Mr. Chronister adjourned the Athens State University Board of Trustees meeting at 3:13 pm.