

**ATHENS STATE UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
BOARD MEETING  
MAY 18, 2018**

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The Athens State University Board of Trustees (also referred herein as the Board) held a meeting at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, May 18, 2018 in the Founders Hall Chapel to consider University matters.

**PRESIDING: MS. CATHY DICKENS**

The Board of Trustees meeting was called to order at 2:33 p.m. by Ms. Cathy Dickens.

**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:

Ms. Crystal Brown	Ms. Maxine Randolph
Mr. Ronnie Chronister	Mr. Clint Shelton
Ms. Cathy Dickens	Dr. Sandra Sims-deGraffenried
Mr. Macke Mauldin	Ms. Missy Ming Smith
Senator Arthur Orr	

Also present were Dr. Robert Glenn, 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, were absent.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

On a motion made by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried and seconded by Ms. Mauldin, the Board approved the agenda by affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried, the Board approved the minutes of the January 19, 2018 Board meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS, PENDING MOTIONS AND RESOLUTION**

**2017 Fiscal Year Audit**

The Board received a bound copy of the 2017 Fiscal Year Audit that was orally presented at the January 19, 2018 Board meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS, PENDING MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**Board of Visitor Nomination/Appointment (Attachment A)**

On a motion made by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried and seconded by Mr. Chronister the Board approved the appointment of the following individuals to serve on the Board of Visitors for the College of Education for a three year term. **College of Education** – Dr. Donna Estill and Mr. Patrick Patterson. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

### **Board Self-Evaluation Instrument (Attachment B)**

On a motion made by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board approved the self-evaluation instrument and survey protocol as presented. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

### **Reaffirmation of Statement on Inclusion and Civility (Attachment C)**

On a motion made by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Mrs. Smith, the Board reaffirmed the Statement on Inclusion and Civility. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

### **Affirmation and Acceptance of 2016-2020 Strategic Plan (Attachment D)**

On a motion made by Ms. Randolph and seconded by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried, the Board affirmed and accepted the 2016-2020 Strategic Plan as presented. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

### **Sandridge Student Center Renovation (Attachment E)**

On a motion made by Ms. Brown and seconded by Ms. Randolph, the Board approved the expenditures (\$1,109,349) for capital improvement, alteration, and remodeling of the Sandridge Student Center. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

### **AY 2018-2019 Tuition and Fee Schedule (Attachment F)**

On a motion made by Mrs. Smith and seconded by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried, the Board approved the tuition/fee schedule for AY 2018-2019. Following discussion, Mr. Shelton requested the motion be amended to include a 2.1% tuition increase. This request to amend was accepted by Mrs. Smith. On a motion made by Mr. Chronister and seconded by Ms. Randolph, the Board approved a tuition/fee schedule for AY 2018-2019 to include a 2.1% tuition increase (in-line with 2017 inflation rate) with this additional tuition revenue earmarked for reserves and non-recurring costs. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

### **University Policies (Attachment G)**

On a motion made by Ms. Brown and seconded by Mr. Chronister, the Board approved the revisions to the current University policies as presented and also approved the addition of a Safety and Security policy. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

### **B.S. Computer Science: Computer Science Concentration (Attachment H)**

On a motion made by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Senator Orr, the Board approved the Computer Science Concentration for the B.S. in Computer Science for the College of Arts and Sciences. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

### **B.S. Information Technology: Information Technology Concentration (Attachment I)**

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board approved the Information Technology Concentration for the B.S. in Information Technology for the College of Arts and Sciences. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

**B.S. Information Technology: Health Information Technology Concentration  
(Attachment J)**

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Board approved the Health Information Technology Concentration for the B.S. in Information Technology for the College of Arts and Sciences. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

**Acceptance: Dr. Robert Glenn's Resignation (Attachment K)**

On a motion made by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried and seconded by Ms. Randolph, the Board accepted the resignation of Dr. Robert Glenn as President of Athens State University. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

**Appointment of Acting President (Attachment L)**

On a motion made by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried and seconded by Senator Orr, the Board approved the appointment of Dr. Ron Ingle as Acting President for Athens State University effective upon the conclusion of Dr. Glenn's last day of employment. The Board further authorized the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees, on behalf of the Board, to negotiate and enter into a contract to the Acting President for an interim period until a new President is appointed. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

**Authorization of Executive Committee – Presidential Search (Attachment M)**

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Chronister, the Board authorized the Executive Committee of the Athens State University Board of Trustees to research and recommend the process by which the Board of Trustees will search for and identify a new President of the University. This recommendation will be presented to the full Board for approval at the July 2018 meeting. This motion was approved by the affirmative votes (9-0) of members present.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

**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. Dickens**

**Academic Affairs – chaired by Mr. Chronister**

**Finance and Facilities – chaired by Mr. Shelton**

**Development – chaired by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried**

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, 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 (9-0) of members present.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Senator Orr and seconded by Mr. Chronister, Ms. Dickens adjourned the Athens State University Board of Trustees meeting at 3:29 pm.