

**MINUTES OF THE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF ATHENS STATE UNIVERSITY
August 28, 2018**

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of Athens State University (the “University”) convened at 10:30 am on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 in the 3rd floor conference room of McCandless Hall, Athens, Alabama. On roll call, the following members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the University answered present:

Ms. Cathy Dickens

Mr. Macke Mauldin

Mr. Clint Shelton

Mr. Ronnie Chronister (participating via electronic communications (telephone) as permitted by the Alabama Open Meetings Act, as amended)

Dr. Sandra Sims-deGraffenried (participating via electronic communications (telephone) as permitted by the Alabama Open Meetings Act, as amended)

The members present and in person constituted a quorum to conduct business.

Ms. Marian Accardi (Decatur Daily), Mr. Shane Black (University Legal Counsel), Dr. Joe Delap, Dr. Keith Ferguson, Dr. Rosemary Hodges, Dr. Ron Ingle, Ms. Laura Lynn Kerner, Ms. Sarah McAbee, Mr. Mike McCoy, Ms. Carol Rachal, Dr. Jackie Smith, and Ms. Jackie Gooch (recording) were also present.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion made by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the minutes of the July 20, 2018 Executive Committee meeting were approved.

The Chair directed the Secretary to call the roll. Responses to the roll call vote were as follows:

Cathy Dickens – Yes

Ronnie Chronister (by phone) – Yes

Macke Mauldin – Yes

Clint Shelton – Yes

Sandra Sims-deGraffenried (by phone) – Yes

Adoption of Resolution 1-08-28-2018

Out-of-State Tuition Military Dependents

On a motion made by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Mr. Mauldin, the Executive Committee adopted resolution 1—8-28-2018: Out-of-State Tuition Military Dependents as amended (added the word “interim” to the President’s title in paragraph five).

The Chair directed the Secretary to call the roll. Responses to the roll call vote were as follows:

Cathy Dickens – Yes

Ronnie Chronister (by phone) – Yes

Macke Mauldin – Yes
Clint Shelton – Yes
Sandra Sims-deGraffenried (by phone) – Yes

Presidential Search

The Executive Committee reviewed reference responses provided by Ms. Dickens on three viable search firms; Academic Search, AGB, and Greenwood/Asher and Associates. On a motion made by Dr. Sims-deGraffenried and seconded by Mr. Shelton, the Executive Committee agreed on the following:

- an invitation is issued to each of the search firms to come to the University and present a one-hour presentation regarding their services.
- attendance of the individual leading the search is required at this presentation.
- request a new lead be appointed by Academic Search, if this firm is chosen.
- questions will be developed by the Executive Committee with input from the Cabinet and compiled by Mr. Black and Ms. Gooch. These questions will be sent to the search firms to allow for preparation ahead of the presentation.

The Chair directed the Secretary to call the roll. Responses to the roll call vote were as follows:

Cathy Dickens – Yes
Ronnie Chronister (by phone) – Yes
Macke Mauldin – Yes
Clint Shelton – Yes
Sandra Sims-deGraffenried (by phone) – Yes

On a motion by Mr. Mauldin and seconded by Mr. Shelton, the meeting adjourned at 11:27 am.

The Chair directed the Secretary to call the roll. Responses to the roll call vote were as follows:

Cathy Dickens – Yes
Ronnie Chronister (by phone) – Yes
Macke Mauldin – Yes
Clint Shelton – Yes
Sandra Sims-deGraffenried (by phone) – Yes

Respectfully submitted: Jackie Gooch