



B O A R D O F T R U S T E E S



March Board Meeting		
3.20.20	9:00 a.m.	317 College Street, Clarksville, TN 37040
Meeting Type	Board Meeting	
Note Taker	McCartney Johnson	
Attendees		Present (Y/N)
	Mr. Billy Atkins	Y
	Ms. Katherine Cannata	Y (Electronic)
	Mr. Larry Carroll	Y (Electronic)
	Mr. Don Jenkins	Y (Electronic)
	Dr. Gary Luck	Y (Electronic)
	Dr. Valencia May	Y (Electronic)
	Ms. Stacy McAllister-Brooks	Y (Electronic)
	Brig. Gen. Robin Mealer	Y (Electronic)
	Mr. Mike O'Malley	Y (Electronic)
	Dr. Mickey Wadia	Y (Electronic)
	Dr. Alisa White, President	Y
	Ms. Dannelle Whiteside, VP for Legal Affairs and Secretary to the Board	Y
	Call to Order	
Discussion		
Trustee O'Malley called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.		
Roll Call/Declaration of a Quorum		
Discussion		
Trustee Atkins was physically present. Trustee Cannata, Trustee Carroll, Trustee Jenkins, Trustee Luck, Trustee May, Trustee McAllister-Brooks, Trustee Mealer, Trustee O'Malley, and Trustee Wadia participated by teleconference. As she called		

the roll, Ms. Dannelle Whiteside asked those participating by teleconference if they could hear clearly and if they could distinguish the voices of those present in the meeting room from those at their location. All trustees answered "yes" to both questions.

After calling the roll, Ms. Whiteside did not detect a physical quorum present; however, a quorum existed by the inclusion of those members participating by electronic means. Ms. Whiteside stated that in accordance with T.C.A. § 8-44-108(b)(2), the following circumstances necessitated the reason for holding this meeting electronically:

Effective March 12, 2020, Austin Peay State University began operating in a limited capacity, suspending on-ground classes, due to the spread of the coronavirus. The administration made the determination to limit large gatherings of individuals, such as this board meeting, in order to protect the health and safety of participants.

Conclusions

Trustee O'Malley moved that necessity had been established to hold this meeting in the absence of a physical quorum. The motion was seconded by Trustee May. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Adoption of Agenda

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley informed the Board that there was an item for consideration on the consent agenda and asked if the Trustees wished to extract the item. They did not.

Conclusions

Trustee O'Malley moved for the adoption of the agenda, including the consent agenda item. The motion was seconded by Trustee May. A roll call vote was taken

and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Approval of Minutes

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley stated the minutes for the November 22, 2019 Board meeting were circulated before the meeting. He asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. There were none.

Conclusions

Trustee Jenkins moved to approve the November 22, 2019 Board minutes. The motion was seconded by Trustee Cannata. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Campus Spotlight

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley recognized President White to introduce the individual who provided the campus spotlight. President White introduced Dr. Eve Rice, Interim Director for the School of Nursing, to present on the School of Nursing. Dr. Rice shared stories of several School of Nursing students. She spoke about the faculty civility program and the three degree programs the School of Nursing offers. Dr. Rice shared information about the accomplishments of the department, including their accreditation efforts, their community partnerships, and the student success rates for the School of Nursing.

Trustee O'Malley thanked Dr. Rice for her presentation and he mentioned that it would be nice for the Board to tour the School of Nursing in the future.

Academic Affairs Committee Report and Recommendations

Discussion

Trustee Mealer reported on the actions of the academic affairs committee at the March 19 meeting. The action items the committee reviewed and approved were: tenure appointments and the Master of Speech-Language Pathology program. The committee also reviewed and granted Dr. Neeta Bhasin's petition for the right to appeal the tenure recommendation decision to the Board of Trustees.

Conclusions

Trustee Mealer moved that the Board approve the minutes of the March 19 Academic Affairs Committee as written. The motion was seconded by Trustee Atkins. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	No Response
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 8, No: 0; No Response: 1

Consideration of Tenure Appointments

Discussion

Trustee Mealer stated that the list of faculty recommended for tenure were circulated before the meeting.

Conclusions

Trustee Mealer moved that the Board approve the names of the faculty members who are eligible for tenure as written. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Approval of the Master of Speech-Language Pathology

Discussion

Trustee Mealer stated that a copy of the proposed Master of Speech-Language Pathology program were circulated before the meeting.

Conclusions

Trustee Mealer moved that the Board approve the Master of Speech-Language Pathology program. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Students Affairs Committee Report and Recommendations

Discussion

Trustee Jenkins reported on the actions of the student affairs committee at the March 19 meeting. The committee reviewed and approved the following action item: selection of a Student Trustee. The committee also reviewed the following informational item: Residence Life Curriculum.

Conclusions

Trustee Jenkins moved that the Board approve the minutes of the March 19 Student Affairs Committee as written. The motion was seconded by Trustee Cannata. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Recommendation for Selection of Student Trustee

Discussion

Trustee Jenkins stated that information regarding the three individuals selected as finalists were circulated before the meeting. The committee selected Abbey Hogan to serve as the next Student Trustee.

Conclusions

Trustee Jenkins moved to approve Abbey Hogan as the next Student Trustee, who will serve a one year term beginning on May 10, 2020 and continuing through the 2020-2021 academic year. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes

Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Audit Committee Report and Recommendations

Discussion

Trustee Cannata reported on the actions of the audit committee at the March 19 meeting. The committee reviewed and approved the following action items: revised Internal Audit Plan for fiscal year 2020 and revision to University Policy 1:016, Preventing and Reporting Fraud, Waste, and/or Abuse. The committee listened to presentations regarding the following information items: review of internal audit related charters and policies; internal audit reports released between October 30, 2019 and February 17, 2020, with a list of outstanding audit recommendations; financial and compliance audit report for fiscal year 2019; and an overview of the upcoming Sunset Audit performed by the Comptroller's office.

Conclusions

Trustee Cannata moved that the Board approve the minutes of the March 19 Audit Committee as written. The motion was seconded by Trustee Luck. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Business and Finance Committee Report and Recommendations

Discussion

Trustee Atkins reported on the actions of the business and finance committee at the March 19 meeting. The action items the committee reviewed and approved were: non-mandatory fees for the 2020-21 academic year and housing rates for the 2020-21 academic year. The committee reviewed the following information items: Governor's budget recommendation and fiscal year 2018-2019 financial report.

Conclusions

Trustee Atkins moved that the Board approve the minutes of the March 19 Business and Finance Committee as written. The motion was seconded by Trustee May. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Consideration of Non-Mandatory Fees for the 2020-2021 Academic Year

Discussion

Trustee Atkins stated that the non-mandatory fees for the 2020-2021 academic year were circulated before the meeting.

Conclusions

Trustee Atkins moved that the Board approve the non-mandatory fees for the 2020-2021 academic year. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes

Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Consideration of Housing Rates for the 2020-2021 Academic Year

Discussion

Trustee Atkins stated that the housing rates for the 2020-2021 academic year were circulated before the meeting.

Conclusions

Trustee Atkins moved that the Board approve the housing rates for the 2020-2021 academic year. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Executive Committee Report and Recommendations

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley reported on the actions of the executive committee at the March 19 meeting. The committee reviewed and approved the following action item: APSU's Mission Profile.

Conclusions

Trustee O'Malley moved that the Board approve the March 19 Executive Committee minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Trustee Cannata. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
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Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Consideration of Institutional Mission Profile Statement

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley stated that the APSU Mission Profile was circulated before the meeting.

Conclusions

Trustee O'Malley moved that the Board approve APSU's Mission Profile as written. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Naming Request for the Stone, Rudolph, and Henry Govs Gallery

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley recognized Lieutenant General Ron Bailey, who provided information on the naming request for the Stone, Rudolph, and Henry Govs Gallery.

Conclusions

Trustee Atkins moved that the Board approve the naming of the Stone, Rudolph, and Henry Gova Gallery. The motion was seconded by Trustee Wadia. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Larry Carroll:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Robin Mealer:	Yes
Michael O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia:	Yes

Yes: 9, No: 0

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Search Update

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley recognized Mr. Mitch Robinson, vice president for finance and administration, who provided an update on the search for the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Mr. Robinson shared the names of the search committee, information about the applicant pool, and progress the committee was making regarding interviews.

Student Affairs Division Update

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley recognized Dr. Eric Norman, vice president for student affairs, who provided an update on the Division of Student Affairs. Dr. Norman discussed what the student affairs division was doing to assist in the university's effort with mitigating COVID-19 effects.

Coronavirus COVID-19 Preparedness Update

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley recognized Mr. Michael Kasitz, assistant vice president for public safety, who provided an update on the University's Coronavirus preparedness. He stated that the Task Force has discussed various issues including non-face-to-face instruction, student workers, and telecommuting. The task force is dealing with the current situation and the future. Mr. Kasitz thanked the Senior Leadership Team, the task force, and the faculty and staff for all their help during this time.

President's Report

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley recognized President White to give her report to the Board. President White thanked Provost Gandy for his leadership and his time at the University. She stated that Provost Gandy would be staying on to assist her on future projects.

President White thanked the agriculture department for their work on preparing the Farm for the Board meeting. She shared what is presently occurring at the University despite the ever-changing environment, such as the new concentration in intelligent robotics.

President White discussed the enrollment growth the University has seen and thanked the Enrollment Management team, the faculty and staff who participated in helping prospective students. The University has seen growth in the retention rate for underserved populations due to new initiatives, including hiring new advisors, partnering with College Possible, and Tutor.com.

President White shared what the College of Education is doing to be leaders in the community and state. She discussed the media exposure from the football teams conference run, the effect that COVID-19 has had on Athletics, and the ROTC winning the McArthur Award and eligibility in the Sandhurst competition. She also reported on the fundraising efforts of the University and the Gavs Give emergency fund, and an update on the multipurpose event center lease agreement with Montgomery County.

President White shared what the University is doing to mitigate COVID-19 effects, including canceling university events until further notice and telecommuting for faculty and staff who are able. She thanked the Study Abroad Office for their work during this time. She stated that Vice President Robinson and his team are looking into the budget implications regarding the decisions that have been made which will be shared with the Board at the June meeting. President White thanked the faculty and staff for their work with the students during this time, the students for continuing to persist despite the changed instructional delivery, and the Board for their support during this time.

President White stated that there were interim items provided to the Board including: a report on the contracts and agreements and the State Building Commission actions, since the last meeting.

Adjourn

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley thanked President White for her leadership during this time. President White and Trustee O'Malley thanked Trustee McAllister-Brooks for serving on the Board. Trustee O'Malley thanked Vice President Whiteside, Dr. Johnson, Bill

Hardin and the IT team for the preparation of the electronic Board meeting. He thanked Dr. Gandy for his leadership. He stated the next Board of Trustees meeting will be held June 4-5, 2020.

Conclusions

Trustee O'Malley moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Luck. A voice vote was taken and passed unanimously with 9 trustees voting yes. The meeting adjourned at 10:49 a.m.

Michael B. O'Malley