

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF NORTH ALABAMA  
UNIVERSITY, ALABAMA  
Friday, September 20, 2019**

The Board of Trustees for the University in Classroom 111 of Collier Library in Regular Session of the Legislature of Alabama (2019) was sent via email to Governor Kay Ivey requesting that the Governor call the meeting under the date of August 30, 2019. The agenda, proposed resolutions, and supporting documents were available for individual electronic

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Board President Pro Tempore Simpson

called

the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

**I. INVOCATION**

Athletics Director Mark Linder offered

opening invocation.

**II. ROLL CALL**

President Kenneth D. Kitts called the roll

and the following

members were in attendance:

- Trustee Marty Abrams
- Trustee Joel Anderson
- Trustee Wendell Gunn
- Trustee Libby Jordan

- Trustee Marcus Maples
- Trustee David Ouellette
- Trustee Steve Pierce

- Trustee Simpson Russell (via phone)
- Trustee Gary Smith
- Trustee Anne Whitaker (via phone)

Therefore, a quorum was present. Absent

were ex officio

member Governor Kay Ivey and

**Others present for all or part of the meeting:**

- Dr. Ross Alexander, Vice President
- Ms. Amber Fitch-Morgan, General Counsel
- Dr. Kimberly Greenway, Vice President for Student Affairs
- Mr. Kevin Haslam, Vice President for University Advancement
- Mr. Mark Linder, Athletics Director
- Mr. Ron Patterson, Chief Enrollment Officer and Assistant to the President for Diversity
- Mr. Evan Thornton, Vice President for Business and Financial Affairs
- Dr. Sara Lynn Laird, Interim Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences
- Dr. Joy Borah, Senior Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs
- Dr. Vince Brewton, Dean of the Honors College
- Dr. Greg Carneal, Dean of the College of Business

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- Ms. Cindy Conroy, Associate Vice President of Business and Marketing
- Ms. Michelle Egan, Interim Associate Director of University Marketing
- Mr. Michael G. Green, Assistant Vice President for Facilities Planning
- Dr. Matt Harren, Associate Dean of the College of Education
- Dr. Felecia Harshbarger, 2019-2020 Chair of Student Governance
- Ms. Leah Johns, University Videographer
- Dr. Lisa Eysenck, Executive Director of Strategic Initiatives
- Dr. Eric Parkman, Director of Kilbuck Laboratory School
- Mr. Sam Mashburn, President of Student Government Association
- Mr. John McGee, Director of Educational Technology Services
- Dr. Vicki Pierce, Dean of the Anderson College of Nursing
- Mr. Jake Kusserow, Conference Coordinator
- Ms. Reginald Shelton, Senior Assistant to the President for Academic Affairs
- Ms. Amy Johnson, President of Student Senate
- Ms. Kendall Holcomb, *TimesDaily* reporter
- Mr. Matt McKeown, *TimesDaily* photographer

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Russell Smith presented the agenda for consideration. Upon motion by Mr. Pierce, the agenda was approved unanimously.

**IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

- Mr. Russell Smith presented the following items for consideration for the Board Meeting:
- A. Minutes for June 19, 2019, Board Meeting
  - B. Resolution Authorizing the 2019-2020 Budget Addendum

Upon motion by Mr. Anderson and second by Mr. Smith, the consent agenda was approved by a unanimous vote.

**V. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

Dr. Pitts gave a brief summary on the state of the University from a review of current enrollment data for fall; UNA's awards & World Report; and an update on the School of Excellence and the position of the next year.

**VI. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MATTERS**

Committee vice chair meeting on September 13. Dr. Alexander reviewed items on today's agenda that stemmed from the meeting on September 13.

**A. Review of Enrollment Management**

Following Academic Affairs and Enrollment Management meeting on September 13, the committee discussed the recommendations of the Enrollment Management Committee and upon motion was approved by unanimous consent.

**B. Review of the Addition of a Bio-Engineering Technology Degree**

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**C. Update on the University of North Carolina 2019-2020 Undergraduate Laboratory**

Dr. Alexander provided an overview of the laboratory information. This information item requires no action by the Board.

**D. Academic Information**

Dr. Alexander provided an overview of the academic information. This information item requires no action by the Board.

**VII. ADVANCED UNIVERSITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

Committee vice chair meeting on September 13. The committee discussed the agenda that stemmed from the meeting on September 13. There were no questions or comments.

**VIII. CAMPUS ATHLETICS COMMITTEE MATTERS**

Committee chair meeting. There was discussion on topics covered during this committee's September meeting. Information items on today's agenda that stemmed from the meeting on September 13.

**IX. FINANCE, FACILITIES,**

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Committee chair Ouellette reported meeting on September 13 and that a

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- Neither of the meeting.
- Information required any action by the Board at today's

**X. OTHER BUSINESS**

**A. Trustee Appointment**

Mr. Russell reported 2019 to September 2019 Board.

Mr. Thornton has been appointed to serve another term (October representative on the UNA Foundation

**B. Resolution for the University**

Mr. Russell reviewed the election of Board members. Upon motion and approval by the Board.

Resolution of the Board to change the term of the Board from one-year to two-year terms. Upon motion and approval by the Board.

**C. Report from the Evaluation Committee**

Committee chair Abroms reported that the committee's report on the retention award comments expressed their confidence in Mr. Abroms.

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Outcome of Dr. Kitts' annual evaluation that reviewed the recommendations of the objectives for the coming year, and the resolution. Several trustees made one. Dr. Kitts thanked the Board for their support on a supportive team effort. Evaluation Committee and upon motion by Mr. Abroms was approved by unanimous vote.

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