

**UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

MINUTES

Meeting held by Telephone

May 20, 2020

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(Note that the meeting was recorded.)

OPEN SESSION

The telephone meeting was called to order at 9:21 a.m. by Chairman Daniel D. Toscano.

The following Trustees participated in the meeting: Trustees Andy Bessette, Mark L. Boxer, Charles F. Bunnell, Shari G. Cantor, Sanford Cloud, Jr., Andrea Dennis-LaVigne, Justin Fang, Marilda Gandara, Jeanine A. Gouin, Rebecca Lobo, Kevin J. O'Connor, Bryan K. Pollard, Thomas D. Ritter, Philip E. Rubin, Daniel D. Toscano, and Renukanandan Tumu.

Trustees Miguel A. Cardona, Bryan P. Hurlburt, David Lehman, and Paul Mounds, Jr., Governor Lamont's designee, were not in attendance.

The following University staff participated in the meeting: President Katsouleas, Interim Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Elliott, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs-Elect Lejuez, Executive Vice President for Administration and Chief Financial Officer Jordan, UConn Health Executive Vice President for Health Affairs and Chief Executive Officer Agwunobi, Vice President for Communications Kendig, Vice President for Research, Entrepreneurship and Innovation Maric, Vice President for Enrollment Planning and Management Fuerst, Vice President for Student Affairs Gilbert, Vice President for Global Affairs Weiner, Athletic Director Benedict, Executive Secretary to the Board Rubin, General Counsel Gelston, Senior Advisor/Assistant Vice President for Communications Kirk, Associate Vice President for Budget and Planning Blanchard, Associate Vice President of Public Safety and Chief of Police Rhynhart, UConn Health Chief Financial Officer Geoghegan, Associate Vice President for Human Resources Delello, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students Daugherty, and Emergency Management Director Shea.

University Senate Representatives Rajeev Bansal, Robert Bird, Mark Boyer, Sandra Chafouleas, Maria-Luz Fernandez, Carol Polifroni, Anji Seth, Jaci Van Heest, and David Yalof also participated.

1. Public Participation

There were no members of the public who wished to address the Board.

2. Minutes of the meeting of April 29, 2020

On a motion by Mr. Bessette, seconded by Mr. Boxer, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 29, 2020.

3. President's Report

President Katsouleas gave an update on plans for opening in the Fall. He also acknowledged Dr. John Elliott for his service as Interim Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs for the past year.

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4. Financial Update

Executive Vice President Jordan provided an update on the University's current financial status.

5. Other business

Vice-Chair Gouin reported that the Academic Affairs Committee met earlier this morning. Vice President Fuerst gave a presentation regarding the proposed pilot program for a test-optional undergraduate admissions program, which is expected to begin in the Fall of 2021. This process is considered to be a more holistic application review process for the admission of undergraduate students.

6. Executive Session anticipated

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Mr. Boxer, seconded by Mr. Ritter, the Board voted unanimously to go into Executive Session at 10:37 a.m. to discuss:

1. Preliminary drafts and notes whose disclosure does not outweigh the public benefit of withholding them pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 1-210(b)(1).

The following Trustees participated by telephone: Trustees Bessette, Boxer, Cantor, Cloud, Dennis-LaVigne, Fang, Gandara, Gouin, Lobo, O'Connor, Pollard, Ritter, Rubin, Toscano, and Tumu.

The following University staff participated during the entire Executive Session: President Katsouleas, Interim Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Elliott, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs-Elect Lejuez, Executive Vice President for Administration and Chief Financial Officer Jordan, UConn Health Executive Vice President for Health Affairs and Chief Executive Officer Agwunobi, Vice President for Communications Kendig, Vice President for Research, Entrepreneurship and Innovation Maric, Vice President for Enrollment Planning and Management Fuerst, Vice President for Student Affairs Gilbert, Vice President for Global Affairs Weiner, Athletic Director Benedict, Executive Secretary to the Board Rubin, General Counsel Gelston, Senior Advisor/Assistant Vice President for Communications Kirk, Associate Vice President for Budget and Planning Blanchard, Associate Vice President of Public Safety and Chief of Police Rhynhart, UConn Health Chief Financial Officer Geoghegan, Associate Vice President for Human Resources Delello, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students Daugherty, and Emergency Management Director Shea.

The Executive Session ended at 12:09 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to Open Session at 12:10 p.m.

7. Adjournment

Chairman Toscano invited Trustees to attend the June 12 Special Financial Affairs Committee meeting, and announced that the next regular meeting of the Board was scheduled for Wednesday, June 24.

On a motion by Mr. Bessette, seconded by Mr. Fang, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

There being no further business appearing, the Board meeting adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Dennis-LaVigne
Secretary