

**TELEPHONE MEETING**  
**UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**MINUTES**

Meeting held by Telephone

December 9, 2020

The telephone meeting was called to order at 10:08 a.m. by Chairman Daniel D. Toscano.

The following Trustees participated: 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 Ethan Werstler.

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

The following University staff participated in the meeting: President Katsouleas, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs 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, University Chief of Staff and General Counsel Gelston, Senior Advisor to the President | Assistant Vice President for Communications Kirk, Associate Vice President for Budget and Planning Blanchard, and UConn Health Chief Financial Officer Geoghegan.

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

1. Public Participation

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

2. Chairman's Report

(a) Matters outstanding

(b) Minutes of the meeting of November 18, 2020

On a motion by Mr. Pollard, seconded by Mr. Fang, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 18, 2020.

(c) Appointment of Board member to the Construction Management Oversight Committee

On a motion by Dr. Dennis-LaVigne, seconded by Mr. Bunnell, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Trustee Gouin to the Construction Management Oversight Committee.

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## (d) Consent Agenda Items:

On a motion by Mr. Fang, seconded by Dr. Rubin, the Board voted to approve the Consent Agenda items:

(Trustee Ritter abstained from voting on Item 1 of the Consent Agenda. Trustee Bessette abstained from voting on the Dell Contracts (No. 1 and 2) in Item 1 of the Consent Agenda.)

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| (1) | Contracts and Agreements  | (Attachment 1) |
| (2) | Tenure at Hire  | (Attachment 2) |
| (3) | Designation of Emeritus Status  | (Attachment 3) |
| (4) | Sabbatical Leave Recommendations  | (Attachment 4) |
| (5) | Appointment of Mark Urban, Ph.D. as the Arden Chair in the Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences | (Attachment 5) |
| (6) | Master of Science in Regenerative Engineering   | (Attachment 6) |
| (7) | Additional Program Location in Storrs for the Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Public Management  | (Attachment 7) |

(The current program location noted on page 2 of the recommendation is inaccurate - the program is currently offered in Hartford not Storrs.)

## 3. President's Report

## 4. Academic Affairs Committee Report

## (a) Report on Committee activities

## (b) Informational Items:

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| (1) | Academic Program Inventory | (Attachment 8)  |
| (2) | Centers and Institutes     | (Attachment 9)  |
| (3) | Early College Experience   | (Attachment 10) |

## 5. Financial Affairs Committee Report

## (a) Report on Committee activities

## (b) Items requiring Board discussion and approval:

On a motion by Dr. Rubin, seconded by Mr. Toscano, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following items listed below in Attachments 11 – 17.

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| (1) | Enrollment Deposit Structure and Amount  | (Attachment 11) |
| (2) | Authorization to Execute Electricity Purchase Contracts Resulting from Reverse Auction | (Attachment 12) |
| (3) | Spending Plan for Fiscal Year 2021 for UConn Health                                    | (Attachment 13) |
| (4) | Project Budget (Revised Final) for Public Safety Building Improvements                 | (Attachment 14) |
| (5) | Project Budget (Revised Final) for Storrs LED (SLED) Lighting Upgrade                  | (Attachment 15) |

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- (6) Project Budget (Final) for Kinesiology Building Human Anatomy Learning Laboratory Renovation (Attachment 16)
  - (7) Project Budget (Planning) for Residential Life Facilities: South Campus Residence Hall (Attachment 17)
- 6. UConn Health Report
  - (a) Report on UConn Health activities
- 7. Joint Audit and Compliance Committee Report
  - (a) Report on Committee activities  
There was no Report on Committee activities.
- 8. Buildings, Grounds and Environment Committee Report
  - (a) Report on Committee activities
  - (b) Item requiring Board discussion and approval:  
On a motion by Dr. Rubin, seconded by Mr. Bunnell, the Board voted to approve the following item.  
(Trustee Gouin abstained from voting on this item.)
    - (1) Utility Easement to Connecticut Water Company (Attachment 18)
- 9. Construction Management Oversight Committee Report
  - (a) Report on Committee activities  
There was no Report on Committee activities.
- 10. Student Life Committee Report
  - (a) Report on Committee activities  
There was no Report on Committee activities.
- 11. Institutional Advancement Committee Report
  - (a) Report on Committee activities  
There was no Report on Committee activities.
- 12. Committee on Compensation Report
  - (a) Report on Committee activities  
There was no Report on Committee activities.
- 13. Committee for Research, Entrepreneurship and Innovation Report
  - (a) Report on Committee activities
- 14. Committee for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Report
  - (a) Report on Committee activities
- 15. Other business

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16. Executive Session anticipated

There was no Executive Session held.

17. Adjournment

Chairman Toscano asked Trustees to hold the January 27 reserve date on their calendars. He announced that the next regular meeting of the Board was scheduled for Wednesday, February 24, 2021.

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

There being no further business appearing, the Board meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Dennis-LaVigne  
Secretary