

Telephone Meeting

University of Connecticut Board of Trustees Institutional Advancement Committee

MINUTES

Meeting held by Telephone

June 22, 2021

Committee Trustees: Dr. Andrea Dennis-LaVigne, Charles Bunnell, Jeanine A. Gouin, and Rebecca Lobo

Additional Trustees: Chairman Daniel Toscano

University Senate Representative: Dr. David A. Yalof

Guests: Melinda Brown

Staff: Andrew Agwunobi, Lloyd Blanchard, Nathan Fuerst, Gail Garber, Scott Jordan, Tysen Kendig, Mike Kirk, Jake Lemon, Susan Locke, Joann Lombardo, Maureen Magnan, Scott Roberts, Rachel Rubin, and Lesley Salafia

Vice-Chair Dennis-LaVigne called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. She offered an opportunity for public participation, there being none the meeting continued.

On a motion by Trustee Gouin, seconded by Trustee Bunnell, the minutes of the April 20, 2021, meeting were approved as circulated, with one edit to add John Malfetone to the attendance.

Mr. Roberts shared background on the professorship in the UConn School of Medicine *Carole and Ray Neag Innovation Professorship*. On a motion by Trustee Gouin, seconded by Trustee Lobo, the recommendation was approved by the Committee to be presented to the full Board of Trustees.

Mr. Jordan outlined the FY2022 UConn Foundation Statement of Work, and how it relates to the UConn Foundation Master Agreement. There was Committee discussion, and suggestion to include more regarding diversity in future documents. On a motion by Trustee Gouin, seconded by Trustee Bunnell the document was approved as circulated.

Ms. Lombardo shared an update on the current Legislative session. The General Assembly adjourned the regular 2021 legislative session on June 9th, however, met the following week in special session to discuss and pass several bills, including the two-year biennial budget being sent to the Governor for signature. She noted they are hopeful to return to in-person visits come fall and are preparing for the Fall session. Dr. Agwubobi thanked Ms. Lombardo, Ms. Magnan, and Ms. Garber for their continued efforts, as did the Trustees noting their extensive work.

Mr. Roberts shared an update on Foundation fundraising, noting it will reach \$90 million in fundraising by the end of the fiscal year, the most in Foundation history. Ms. Cotton Kelly was happy to share the work her Alumni team has continued to do over the past 12-18 months virtually, getting into 29 countries. She also noted the annual giving team has increased about 27% this year.

Mr. Kirk shared the latest activities within University Communications, including the recent announcement establishment of the Institute for Inclusion in the School of Engineering, the announcement was covered locally but also nationally from Inside Higher Education. He also noted work surrounding student messaging for required Covid vaccinations for the upcoming Fall semester.

On a motion made by Trustee Gouin, seconded by Trustee Bunnell, Vice-Chair Dennis-LaVigne adjourned the meeting at 1:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jen Cote