

MINUTES

TELEPHONE MEETING ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

University of Connecticut
October 24, 2023

Committee Trustees: Jeanine Gouin, Andrea Dennis-LaVigne, Bryan Pollard,
Philip Rubin

Other Trustees: Daniel Toscano

University Senate Representatives: D. Betsy McCoach

University Staff: Anne D’Alleva, Sarah Croucher, Nathan Fuerst, Gladis
Kersaint, Rachel Rubin, Michelle Williams, Xiao-Dong Zhou

Vice-Chair Gouin called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

1. Public Participation

No members of the public signed up to address the Committee.

2. Minutes from the September 26, 2023, Meeting

On a motion by Trustee Pollard, seconded by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, the Committee voted to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2023, meeting.

3. Designation of Emeritus Status

4. Sabbatical Leave Recommendations

On a motion by Trustee Rubin, seconded by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend Agenda Items #3-4 to the full Board for approval.

5. Graduate Certificate in Plant-Based Food and Nutrition in the College of Agriculture, Health, and Natural Resources

6. Graduate Certificate in Financial Risk Management in the School of Business

On a motion by Trustee Pollard, seconded by Trustee Rubin, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend Agenda Items #5-6 to the full Board for approval.

7. Establishment of the Vergnano Endowed Chair for Inclusion

On a motion by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, seconded by Trustee Pollard, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend Agenda Item #7 to the full Board for approval.

8. Modification of the Nicholas E. Madonna Chair in Cyber-Physical Systems in the College of Engineering

On a motion by Trustee Rubin, seconded by Trustee Pollard, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend Agenda Item #8 to the full Board for approval.

9. Appointment of Professor Xiao-Dong Zhou to the Nicholas E. Madonna Chair in Sustainability in the College of Engineering
10. Appointment of Associate Professor Fei Miao to the Pratt & Whitney Associate Professorship in Advanced Systems Engineering in the College of Engineering
11. Reappointment of Board of Trustees Distinguished Professor Diane J. Burgess to the Pfizer Distinguished Chair in Pharmaceutical Technology in the School of Pharmacy
12. Reappointment of Professor Marie A. Smith to the Dr. Henry A. Palmer Professorship in Community Pharmacy Practice in the School of Pharmacy

On a motion by Trustee Rubin, seconded by Trustee Pollard, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend Agenda Items #9-12 to the full Board for approval.

13. Academic Program Inventory

Item #13 was provided to the Committee as an informational item.

14. Other Business

There was no Other Business.

15. Executive Session (*as needed*)

There was no Executive Session.

16. Adjournment

On a motion by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, seconded by Trustee Pollard, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn. The meeting ended at 8:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexis M. Lohrey
Secretary to the Committee