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The University of North Carolina at Charlotte
Board of Trustees

Executive Committee Special Meeting
Thursday, August 23, 2018, 10:00 a.m.
Via conference call

Meeting Minutes

Present

Joe L. Price, Chair
Susan D. DeVore
Theresa J. Drew
Dhiana Jamil
Mary Ann Rouse
Laura A. Schulte
Michael L. Wilson

Staff/Guests in Attendance

Philip L. Dubois, Chancellor
Kim Bradley, Chief of Staff and Assistant Secretary to the Board
Beth Hardin, Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs
Mike Hill, Director of Athletics
Jesh Humphrey, Vice Chancellor for Institutional Integrity and General Counsel
Phil Jones, Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities
Karen Morgan, American Council on Education Fellow
Jennifer Ward, Liaison to the Board of Trustees and the Cabinet

Open Session

Call to Order. Mr. Price called the meeting to order and reminded Committee members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts of interest under the State Government Ethics Act, in accordance with Chapter 138A of the North Carolina General Statutes, and advised the Committee members to notify him immediately if anyone should become aware of a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest during the meeting. No conflicts of interest were reported.

Capital Project Authorization—Information Technology Infrastructure Upgrades—Phase I. Ms. Hardin requested approval of Information Technology Infrastructure Upgrades—Phase I in Rowe, Storrs and Reese. Ms. Hardin stated that the current network cabling is past normal life expectancy and is not compatible with modern network equipment and that the existing network

and wireless equipment is past its useful life. Ms. Hardin stated that upgrades will provide improved network connectivity for students, faculty, and staff.

Mr. Price called for a motion to authorize the University to undertake the Information Technology Infrastructure Upgrades – Phase 1 capital project at a cost of \$3.8 million.

Action. On a motion by Ms. Drew, seconded by Ms. Rouse, the Committee authorized the University to undertake the Information Technology Infrastructure Upgrades – Phase 1 capital project at a cost of \$3.8 million.

Delegated Lease Authority. Ms. Hardin stated that North Carolina law allows the Board of Governors to delegate greater lease authority greater than the current limit of less than \$5,000 per year and less than three years' duration. Ms. Hardin stated that the University intends to request that the Board of Governors delegate authority for up to \$150,000 to the Chancellor, \$350,000 to the Board of Trustees, and \$500,000 to President Spellings, all up to ten years' duration. Ms. Hardin explained that this increased delegation would be more efficient and would help the University manage the leasing of real estate as it seeks to address space needs created by growth.

Ms. Hardin stated that UNC Charlotte's process for reviewing, processing, executing, and managing real property leases meets all the criteria to be granted delegated authority. Ms. Drew asked if the University had previously been denied delegated authority, and Ms. Hardin stated that it had several years ago because of a lack of real estate staffing and experience. Ms. Hardin stated that she is certain that the University now has a robust real estate office, a Property Review Committee appointed by the Chancellor, and a Lease Policy Statement detailing processes. Mr. Jones stated that the leasing process has significantly matured over time. Mr. Price stated that if the request is approved, aggregate leasing activity should be reported in meetings of the Facilities and Physical Properties Committee.

Mr. Price stated that the Board supports the Chancellor's submission of a letter requesting that President Spellings delegate lease authority to the Chancellor and the Board, within the parameters allowed by state law.

Patent Policy Revisions. Mr. Humphrey discussed proposed revisions to University Policy 301, Patent Policy. Mr. Humphrey stated that the revised policy provides a flat royalty fee to faculty members, that it will provide clarity for faculty members, and that it eliminates the need to seek the UNC President's approval for individual agreements.

Mr. Price requested a motion to approve the changes to the Patent Policy as discussed.

Action. On a motion by Ms. Rouse, seconded by Ms. Schulte, the Committee approved revised University Policy 301, Patent Policy.

Motion to Convene in Closed Session. Mr. Price requested a motion to convene in closed session.

Action. On a motion by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Schulte, the Committee convened in closed session pursuant to the following General Statutes of the State of North Carolina:

N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(6), to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee.

Closed Session

Closed session minutes are filed in the office of the assistant secretary to the Board of Trustees.

Open Session

Action on Athletics Employment Contract. Mr. Price requested a motion to approve an amendment to an Athletics employment contract as discussed in closed session.

Action. On a motion by Ms. Drew, seconded by Ms. Rouse, the Committee approved the amendment to the employment agreement.

Adjourn. There being no further business before the Committee, Mr. Price adjourned the meeting.

Submitted: Kim S. Bradley 10/2/18
Kim S. Bradley Date
Assistant Secretary
UNC Charlotte Board of Trustees

Approved: Joe L. Price 2-06-18
Joe L. Price Date
Chair
UNC Charlotte Board of Trustees