



UNC
GREENSBORO
Board of Trustees

October 8, 2024
Special Called Meeting of the Executive Committee
12:00 pm

MINUTES

Members Present: George Hoyle, Chair; Mae Douglas, Vice Chair; Linda Sloan, Secretary; Dean Priddy, Tim Rice

Others Present: Chancellor Frank Gilliam; Jerry Blakemore, Vice Chancellor for Institutional Integrity and General Counsel; Cathy Akens, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs; Jeanne Madorin, Associate Vice Chancellor and Chief Human Resources Officer; Wake Maki, Chancellor's Fellow for Strategic Planning; Waiyi Tse, Chief of Staff; Kelly Harris, Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees; James Lyons, Technology Support Analyst; and other members of staff and general public.

Chair Hoyle called the meeting to order at 12:01 pm and read the conflict-of-interest statement; none were identified.

Roll Call was read, and a quorum was confirmed.

Open Session

EC – 1 Update from the Chancellor

Chancellor Gilliam gave a brief recap of Homecoming activities that took place October 4 and 5th. More than 800 registered alumni attended events on Friday October 4, followed by an even greater number of attendees on Saturday October 5.

Gilliam also updated the Committee on the impact of Hurricane Helene on UNCG students and the university's efforts to assist sister institutions in the Western North Carolina region. UNCG is working closely with the System Office on organizing support. Our team is mobilized and stands ready to be deployed, from mental health professionals to facilities workers. UNCG is taking in student athletes from UNC Asheville and encouraging campus community members who wish to donate to give directly to the NC Disaster Fund or to impacted campuses (UNCA, Western Carolina, Appalachian State). Donations can also be made to the university's Counseling Center, Minerva Rescue Grant, and Spartan Food Insecurity Fund.

UNCG has almost 700 students from the western region. The Division of Student Affairs has reached out directly to them and has utilized our student media platforms to share reminders of support resources.

Impacted students have gone to our Counseling Center and several have requested and received assistance from the SAFE Fund, which awards students up to \$1,000 for one-time emergency needs. Additional requests for SAFE Fund assistance are expected as tuition and fee payment deadlines are approaching.

Gilliam discussed development of the university's new strategic plan. Trustees have received the draft plan. Strategic Plan Advisory Committee Chair Wade Maki and committee members continue to gather feedback from the campus through avenues such as campus-wide forums, forums for individual schools and colleges, and meetings with the Faculty and Staff Senates. Trustee feedback is encouraged, and several dates for opportunities for trustee input have been extended. Committee Chair Maki is also available for individual conversations with trustees.

Transition to Closed Session

Chair Hoyle announced that the final agenda item required discussion in closed session. He reminded Committee members that the only topic of conversation during the closed session would be agenda item EC – 2, for discussion only. Hoyle also announced that the open session livestream would remain active and would resume following the committee's closed session discussion.

Hoyle moved that the Committee convene in closed session pursuant to Section 143-318.11(a)(1), (5), and (6) of the North Carolina Open Meetings Law to:

- Prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the North Carolina General Statutes,
- consider the amount of compensation and other material terms of an employment contract or proposed employment contract, and
- consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment or conditions of initial employment of an individual employee or prospective employee.

Vice Chair Mae Douglas seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

General Account of Closed Session Discussion

Members Present: George Hoyle, Chair; Mae Douglas, Vice Chair; Linda Sloan, Secretary; Dean Priddy, Tim Rice

Others Present: Chancellor Frank Gilliam; Jerry Blakemore, Vice Chancellor for Institutional Integrity and General Counsel; Jeanne Madorin, Associate Vice Chancellor and Chief Human Resources Officer; Waiyi Tse, Chief of Staff; Kelly Harris, Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees

EC – 2 Personnel Discussion

Chancellor Gilliam discussed a pending appointment to a senior administrative position to take effect November 1, 2024. Per policy and delegated authority, the appointment does not require board approval. However, the board’s approval for one provision of the appointment will be sought and discussed in closed session at the October 31, 2024 board meeting. UNC System President approval will also be sought.


Open Session

Upon return to open session, Chair Hoyle confirmed that the closed session discussion was limited to agenda item EC – 2.

Adjourn

There being no further business, Chair Hoyle adjourned the meeting at 12:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelly Harris".

Kelly Harris
Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees