



Board Meeting			
9.18.2020		9:00 a.m.	Browning Conference Room, Clarksville, TN 37040
Meeting Type		Board Meeting	
Note Taker		Joanne Shepard	
Attendees			Present (Y/N)
		Mr. Billy Atkins	Y
		Ms. Katherine Cannata	Y (Electronic)
		Ms. Abbey Hogan	Y (Electronic)
		Mr. Don Jenkins	Y (Electronic)
		Dr. Gary Luck	Y (Electronic)
		Dr. Valencia May	Y (Electronic)
		Ms. Keri McInnis	Y (Electronic)
		Brig. Gen. Robin Mealer	N
		Mr. Mike O'Malley	Y (Electronic)
		Dr. Mickey Wadia	Y (Electronic)
		Ms. Dannelle Whiteside, Interim President	Y (Electronic)
		Ms. Corey Harkey, Interim General Counsel	Y (Electronic)
		Dr. McCartney Johnson, Interim Secretary to the Board	Y
Call to Order			
Discussion			
Trustee O'Malley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.			
Roll Call/Declaration of a Quorum			

Discussion																	
<p>Trustee Atkins was physically present. Trustee Cannata, Trustee Hogan, Trustee Jenkins, Trustee Luck, Trustee May, Trustee McInnis, Trustee O'Malley, and Trustee Wadia participated by teleconference. As she called the roll, Dr. Johnson, asked those participating by teleconference if they could hear clearly, and if there were other people present with them at their locations. All trustees stated that they could hear clearly. Trustee Atkins stated he was in the room with Dr. Johnson. Trustee Jenkins stated he was in the car with Sandy Jenkins. Trustee Cannata, Trustee Hogan, Trustee Luck, Trustee May, Trustee McInnis, Trustee O'Malley and Trustee Wadia stated they were alone.</p> <p>Trustee O'Malley stated there was a quorum.</p>																	
Adoption of Agenda																	
Discussion																	
<p>Trustee O'Malley thanked Mr. Larry Carroll for his service as one of the inaugural Board members. Mr. Carroll rolled off after the Summer Board meeting. He welcomed Trustee McInnis who was recently appointed to the Board of Trustees and sent condolences to Trustee Mealer and her family on the loss of her husband.</p> <p>Trustee O'Malley informed the Board that there were items for consideration on the consent agenda and asked if the Trustees wished any to be extracted. They did not.</p>																	
Conclusions																	
<p>Trustee O'Malley moved for the adoption of the agenda, including the consent agenda items. The motion was seconded by Trustee May. A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes.</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>Billy Atkins:</td><td>Yes</td></tr> <tr><td>Katherine Cannata:</td><td>Yes</td></tr> <tr><td>Don Jenkins:</td><td>Yes</td></tr> <tr><td>Gary Luck:</td><td>Yes</td></tr> <tr><td>Valencia May:</td><td>Yes</td></tr> <tr><td>Keri McInnis:</td><td>Yes</td></tr> <tr><td>Mike O'Malley:</td><td>Yes</td></tr> <tr><td>Mickey Wadia</td><td>Yes</td></tr> </table> <p>Yes: 8, No: 0</p>		Billy Atkins:	Yes	Katherine Cannata:	Yes	Don Jenkins:	Yes	Gary Luck:	Yes	Valencia May:	Yes	Keri McInnis:	Yes	Mike O'Malley:	Yes	Mickey Wadia	Yes
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Approval of Minutes																	
Discussion																	

Trustee O'Malley stated that the minutes for the June 5, 2020 Board meeting and the special called meetings on July 6, 2020 and August 21, 2020 were circulated before the meeting. He asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. There were none.

Conclusions

Trustee Jenkins made a motion to approve the minutes for the June 5, 2020 Board meeting and the special called meetings on July 6, 2020 and August 21, 2020 Board minutes. The motion was seconded by Trustee Luck. A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Keri McInnis:	Yes
Mike O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia	Yes

Yes: 8, No: 0

Campus Spotlight

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley congratulated Interim President Whiteside on her new role. President Whiteside introduced Mr. Charlie Weigandt, program director and chief helicopter pilot for the Aviation Science Rotor-Wing program. She thanked Dr. Karen Meisch, dean of the College of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics, and Dr. Kristine Nakutis, executive director for the APSU Center at Fort Campbell, for their roles in the operational side of the program.

Mr. Weigandt gave an overview of the program, which began Fall 2018 and stated that APSU has the only rotor-wing program linked to a four-year degree in the state. The students receive training in five certificate areas: private pilot, commercial pilot, instruments rating, certified flight instructor, and certified flight instructor instrument. Students are able to use VA funding and federal financial aid to help with the program cost. Three helicopters make up the APSU fleet; two Guimbal Cabri G2 and one Robinson R44. The program also incorporates the Robinson R44 Advanced Aviation Training Device to familiarize students to procedures prior to actual instrument training in the aircrafts. The APSU helicopters can be used as a part of the emergency response plan serving the Clarksville community. There are currently 14 students enrolled in the AVI 1000 class and 10 students enrolled in the Private Pilot Lab II. Mr. Weigandt proudly stated that the first APSU student to fly solo was

Ryan Erb, who spoke about his great experiences in the program by video. Mr. Weigandt invited the Trustees to visit the program at the airport.

A general discussion followed regarding the cost of the helicopters, types of jobs available to the graduates, percentage of military-affiliated students in the program, and student flight hours in the program.

Academic Affairs Committee Report and Recommendations

Discussion

Trustee May reported on the actions of the Academic Affairs Committee at the September 17 meeting. The committee reviewed the following action items, which were approved on the consent agenda: Policy 1:025 Policy on Academic Tenure and Policy 2:038 Undergraduate and Graduate Admissions. The committee reviewed the following information items: teaching and learning during COVID-19; degree and certificate awards by type and academic year; program productivity report; and the preliminary fall enrollment report.

Conclusions

Trustee May moved that the Board approve the minutes of the September 17 Academic Affairs Committee. The motion was seconded by Trustee Wadia. A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Keri McInnis:	Yes
Mike O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia	Yes

Yes: 8, No: 0

Student Affairs Committee Report and Recommendations

Discussion

Trustee Wadia reported on the actions of the Student Affairs Committee at the September 17 meeting. The committee reviewed and approved the following action item: Title IX Compliance Emergency Rule. The committee reviewed the following information items: COVID-19 procedures and Code of Conduct revision.

Conclusions

Trustee Wadia moved that the Board approve the minutes of the September 17 Student Affairs Committee. The motion was seconded by Trustee May. A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Keri McInnis:	Yes
Mike O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia	Yes

Yes: 8, No: 0

Consideration of the Title IX Compliance Emergency Rule

Discussion

Trustee Wadia stated that the new Title IX Compliance Emergency Rule was circulated prior to the meeting.

Conclusions

Trustee Wadia moved to approve the new Title IX Compliance Emergency Rule, including authorizing the President and her designees to make any technical corrections to these rules, including changes required by the Attorney General's Office or Government Operations Committee after review. A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Keri McInnis:	Yes
Mike O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia	Yes

Yes: 8, No: 0

Audit Committee Report and Recommendations

Discussion

Trustee Cannata reported on the actions of the Audit Committee at the September 17 meeting. The committee reviewed and approved the following action items: internal audit salaries and budget for fiscal year 2021 and the Internal Audit Plan for fiscal

year 2021. The committee listened to presentations regarding the following information items: the office of Internal Audit's year-end report for fiscal year 2020; internal audit reports released between May 12, 2020 and August 24, 2020, with a list of outstanding audit recommendations; external audit reports released between May 12, 2020 and August 24, 2020; and internal audit governance-independence and objectivity.

Conclusions

Trustee Cannata moved that the Board approve the minutes for the September 17 Audit Committee. The motion was seconded by Trustee McInnis. A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Keri McInnis:	Yes
Mike O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia	Yes

Yes: 8, No: 0

Business and Finance Committee Report and Recommendations

Discussion

Trustee Atkins reported on the actions of the Business and Finance Committee at the September 17 meeting. The committee reviewed the following information items: 2020-2021 budget update; Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding; and chiller rebuild project disclosure.

Conclusions

Trustee Atkins moved that the Board approve the minutes for the September 17 Business and Finance Committee. The motion was seconded by Trustee May. A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Keri McInnis:	Yes
Mike O'Malley:	Yes

Mickey Wadia	Yes
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Yes: 8, No: 0

Executive Committee Report and Recommendations

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley reported on the actions of the Executive Committee at the September 17 meeting. The committee reviewed and approved the following action items, which were included in the consent agenda: Policy 1:001 Conflict of Interest and Policy 1:002 Code of Ethics for Members of the APSU Board of Trustees. Other action items reviewed and approved were: revision of the Board of Trustees Bylaws and the Board evaluation process.

Conclusions

Trustee O'Malley moved that the Board approve the minutes for the September 17 Executive Committee. The motion was seconded by Trustee May. A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Keri McInnis:	Yes
Mike O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia	Yes

Yes: 8, No: 0

Consideration of the Revised Board of Trustees Bylaws

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley stated that the revised Board of Trustees bylaws were circulated before the meeting.

Conclusions

Trustee O'Malley moved to approve the revisions to the Board of Trustees bylaws. A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes

Valencia May:	Yes
Keri McInnis:	Yes
Mike O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia	Yes

Yes: 8, No: 0

Consideration of the Board Evaluation Process

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley stated that the Board evaluation process was circulated before the meeting.

Conclusions

Trustee O'Malley moved to approve the Board evaluation process. A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Keri McInnis:	Yes
Mike O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia	Yes

Yes: 8, No: 0

Naming Request for the Jenkins Family Fieldhouse

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley recognized Lieutenant General Ron Bailey, vice president for external affairs, who provided information on the naming request for the Jenkins Family Fieldhouse. The Jenkins Family Fieldhouse will allow every sport the flexibility to practice and train under a varied condition and can also be used when inclement weather precludes outdoor practice. This is also a very strong recruiting tool for the APSU athletics program.

Conclusions

Trustee Atkins moved to approve the naming request for the Jenkins Family Fieldhouse. Trustee Cannata seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and carried with 7 trustees voting yes and 1 recusal.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
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Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Recused
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Keri McInnis:	Yes
Mike O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia	Yes

Yes: 7, No: 0, 1 Recusal

Adoption of the 2021 Calendar for the Board of Trustees Meetings

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley stated that the FOCUS Act requires the Board to have four regularly scheduled meetings per year. The following are the proposed meeting dates for 2021: March 18 and 19; June 3 and 4; September 16 and 17; and December 2 and 3.

Conclusions

Trustee O'Malley moved to approve the proposed meeting calendar for 2021. Trustee Luck seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Keri McInnis:	Yes
Mike O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia	Yes

Yes: 8, No: 0

Consideration of the Statement of Qualifications for the President

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley stated that a copy of the statement of qualifications for the president was circulated before the meeting. Storbeck Search and Associates met with various constituent groups to build the prospectus. The document has been reviewed by the presidential search committee and will be used by the search firm to recruit candidates.

Conclusions

Trustee O'Malley moved to approve the statement of qualifications for the president. Trustee May seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes.

Billy Atkins:	Yes
Katherine Cannata:	Yes
Don Jenkins:	Yes
Gary Luck:	Yes
Valencia May:	Yes
Keri McInnis:	Yes
Mike O'Malley:	Yes
Mickey Wadia	Yes

Yes: 8, No: 0

Academic Affairs Update

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley recognized Dr. Maria Cronley, provost and senior vice president for academic affairs, to provide an update on the Academic Affairs division. She stated that the division actively supports the university's mission, vision, and strategic plan by promoting excellent educational experiences through the quality of the academic programs, the distinction of the faculty and the innovation of the academic support services. She discussed the make-up of the academic administration and employee data, which revealed the dedication of APSU employees, as 100 Academic Affairs employees have worked at the university for 20 years or more, with two being honored this year for 50 years of service.

Dr. Cronley discussed the student retention rate, 6-year graduation rate and student to faculty ratio. She stated that the University experienced its highest number of degrees and certificates ever awarded (3,200) during the 2019-2020 academic year. She spoke of the many areas that make up the Academic Affairs division and the initiatives and retention efforts for student success. She highlighted college and faculty achievements and discussed two new programs implemented this fall: BS in Kinesiology and PsyD in Counseling Psychology. She stated that grants and external fund raising is at an all-time high and talked about the priorities, ongoing initiatives and future planning for the Academic Affairs division.

A general discussion followed regarding the dual enrollment program, the work in the College of Business towards accreditation, the positive impacts of the President's Emerging Leaders Program and the Tennessee Promise on students.

President's Report

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley recognized President Whiteside to give her report to the Board.

President Whiteside welcomed Trustee McInnis to the Board and thanked Mr. Larry Carroll for his service to the Board. She expressed her gratitude to the Board for selecting her as the interim president and appreciated their support. She stated that the University is operating at the moderate risk level and gave huge kudos to students for following the COVID-19 guidelines. She gave an update on the many changes made due to COVID-19, such as the virtual freshmen orientation, wearing masks in common areas and outside when within six feet of each other, changes in residence hall move-ins to keep students safe and a real time dashboard on the positive coronavirus cases on campus. She thanked the GIS Center for their work on the face shields and for creating the dashboard. She expressed her gratitude to the individuals in Student Affairs and Human Resources for following up on all the cases that have been reported through the self-reported forms. She informed the Board that APSU has the lowest number of positive COVID-19 cases in the state among the public higher education institutions.

President Whiteside stated that she is live on Facebook and Instagram every Wednesday to give a campus update and has begun "Pop-Ins with the Prez" through Zoom every three weeks. These 15-minute meetings allow faculty, staff and students a time to share their thoughts, concerns and ideas for the future.

President Whiteside stated that although homecoming has been postponed until the spring, several events are happening this fall, such as the virtual 5K run, the annual golf tournament, the announcement of the outstanding alumni awards and the virtual military alumni chapter scholarship event. She proudly talked about the student athletes who earned the OVC Academic Medal of Honor and commended them for their achievements. She spoke about the decline in enrollment and budget constraints the University is currently facing and has already begun implementing some of the ideas from the Financial Planning Task Force report. She praised the faculty and staff for their accomplishments and sensitivity during these unprecedented times and discussed the creative ways faculty and staff kept students engaged during the pandemic. She thanked all the volunteers who assisted with the six commencement ceremonies held over two days in August. She praised SGA President Kito Aruh and his team for organizing a successful event called "The Unity Step," a solidarity walk on campus to show unity in navigating social unrest affecting the country. She spoke about a new campus-wide initiative, "A Place at Our Table," where small, diverse groups will have conversations around racial and social issues. She gave an update on the progress of the Montgomery County Multi-Purpose Event Center and the upcoming comprehensive campaign.

A general discussion followed complimenting President Whiteside on the report and the great job she is doing at APSU.

President Whiteside stated there were interim items provided to the Board including:

a report on the contracts and agreements and the State Building Commission actions, since the last board meeting.

Adjourn

Discussion

Trustee O'Malley thanked President Whiteside for her report. He stated the next Board of Trustees meeting will be held December 3 and 4, 2020.

Conclusions

Trustee O'Malley moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Cannata. A voice vote was taken and carried unanimously with 8 trustees voting yes. The meeting adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

Michael P. O'Malley