

BOARD MEETING Minutes

Friday, March 17, 2023 317 College Street Clarksville, TN 37040

Call to Order

Trustee Jenkins, board chair, called the meeting to order at 10:17 a.m.

Roll Call/Declaration of a Quorum

Dr. Carol Clark, secretary to the board, called the roll. Trustee Jenkins stated there was a quorum.

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL				
Name	Present	Absent		
Trustee Atkins	Х			
Trustee Berg	Х			
Trustee Cannata	Х			
Trustee Hershey*	Х			
Trustee Jenkins (Chair)	Х			
Trustee May	Х			
Trustee Mealer	Х			
Trustee O'Malley	Х			
Trustee McInnis	Х			
Trustee Roe	Х			

*Non-Voting Member

University Personnel Present

- Dr. Michael Licari, President
- Dr. Maria Cronley, Provost
- Dr. Carol Clark, Secretary to the Board
- Ms. Dannelle Whiteside, Vice President for Legal Affairs & Organizational Strategy

Adoption of Agenda

Trustee Jenkins informed the board that there were items for consideration on the consent agenda and asked if the trustees wished to extract any items. They did not. Trustee McInnis moved for the adoption of the agenda as presented, including the consent agenda items. Trustee Atkins seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and carried unanimously with nine trustees voting yes.

Approval of Minutes

Trustee Jenkins stated that the minutes for the December 2, 2022, board meeting were circulated in advance and asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. There were none. Trustee Atkins moved to approve the minutes as written. Trustee McInnis seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and carried unanimously with nine trustees voting yes.

Campus Spotlight – Newton Military Family Resource Center

Trustee Jenkins recognized President Licari to introduce Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Walt Lord and Ms. Jasmin Linares to provide the campus spotlight.

Lord and Linares provided a comprehensive presentation of Austin Peay's support and services for military-affiliated students. Topics covered were:

- Campus and community support and environment
- Partnership with veteran service organizations
- Military Alumni Chapter
- Role of the Military Advisor in Residence
- Physical locations
 - o Newton Military Family Resource Center
 - APSU Center at Ft. Campbell
- Programs and initiatives
 - Green Zone
 - Hall of Fame
 - Community Partnerships
 - Student Veterans of America
 - Wings of Liberty Museum
 - Gold Star Memorial

Lord and Linares then took questions from the board.

Action Items

A. Academic Affairs Committee Report and Recommendations

Trustee May reported on the actions of the Academic Affairs Committee at the March 17, 2023, meeting.

The committee approved the minutes of the December 2, 2022, committee meeting.

The committee reviewed and approved two action items requiring consideration of the board:

- Consideration of Tenure Appointments
- Approval to form a University College

The committee reviewed one information item:

 Removal from Provisional Certification and SACSCOC Substantive Change Restriction

i. Consideration of Tenure Appointments

By the direction of the Academic Affairs Committee, Trustee May moved to approve the list of faculty members recommended for tenure. Hearing no discussion, a voice vote was taken and carried unanimously with nine trustees voting yes.

ii. Approval to Form a University College

By the direction of the Academic Affairs Committee, Trustee May moved to approve the formation of a University College.

Trustee McInnis asked if there was potential for confusion between "University College" and "Austin Peay State University." Dr. Cronley responded the risk was low and the existence of a university college is a standard construct in academia and consistent with other state university organizations in Tennessee.

Hearing no further discussion, a voice vote was taken and carried unanimously with nine trustees voting yes.

B. Audit Committee Report and Recommendations

Trustee Mealer reported on the actions of the Audit Committee at the March 17, 2023 meeting.

The committee approved the minutes of the December 2, 2022, committee meeting.

The committee reviewed and approved one action item:

• Fiscal Year 2023 Revised Audit Plan

The committee reviewed five information items:

- Review of the Comptroller's Office Financial and Compliance Report for FY22
- Review of internal audit-related documents
- Review of internal audit reports issued between November 5, 2022, and February 17, 2023, with a list of outstanding audit recommendations
- Results of the internal audit client satisfaction survey for CY22
- Review of Quality Assurance Team members

C. Business and Finance Committee Report and Recommendations

Trustee Cannata reported on the actions of the Business and Finance Committee at the March 17, 2023, meeting.

The committee approved the minutes of the December 2, 2022, committee meeting.

The committee reviewed and approved four action items requiring consideration of the board:

- Harvill Food Venue Renovation Budget Increase
- Parking Rates for Community Members
- Non-Mandatory Fees for the 2023-2024 Academic Year
- Housing Rates for the 2023-2024 Academic Year

The committee reviewed two information items:

- The governor's budget recommendations
- FY21/22 Financial Report

i. Harvill Food Venue Renovation Budget Increase

By the direction of the Business & Finance Committee, Trustee Cannata moved to approve the Harvill food venue renovation budget increase. Hearing no discussion, a voice vote was taken and carried unanimously with nine trustees voting yes.

ii. Parking Rates for Community Members

By the direction of the Business & Finance Committee, Trustee Cannata moved to grant the university authority to establish parking rates for community members.

Trustee Berg asked if the parking lots had been identified. President Licari responded that the list of lots has not been finalized, but they are predominantly south of College St.

Trustee Mealer asked how the program will be governed and administered. Licari answered that the necessary procedures are presently being developed. Mealer then asked about the legality of the initiative given the lots are state property; Licari indicated that revenue generated this way is taxable income.

Hearing no further discussion, a roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with nine trustees voting yes.

Community Parking				
Name	Aye	Nay		
Trustee Atkins	Х			
Trustee Berg	Х			
Trustee Cannata	Х			
Trustee Hershey*	NVM			
Trustee Jenkins (Chair)	Х			
Trustee May	Х			
Trustee Mealer	Х			
Trustee O'Malley	Х			
Trustee McInnis	Х			
Trustee Roe	Х			

iii. Consideration of Non-Mandatory Fees for the 2023-2024 Academic Year

By the direction of the Business & Finance Committee, Trustee Cannata moved to approve the non-mandatory fees for the 2023-24 academic year.

Hearing no discussion, a roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with nine trustees voting yes.

Non-Mandatory Fees				
Name	Aye	Nay		
Trustee Atkins	Х			
Trustee Berg	Х			
Trustee Cannata	Х			
Trustee Hershey*	NVM			
Trustee Jenkins (Chair)	Х			
Trustee May	Х			
Trustee Mealer	Х			
Trustee O'Malley	Х			
Trustee McInnis	Х			
Trustee Roe	Х			

iv. Consideration of Housing Rates for the 2023-2024 Academic Year

By the direction of the Business & Finance Committee, Trustee Cannata moved to approve the housing rates for the 2023-24 academic year.

Trustee Hershey expressed reservations about the accuracy of the financial expense comparisons between living on and off campus. Hershey also inquired about the ability of students to retain campus housing during the summer and inter-term period.

Joe Mills, assistant vice president for student life, clarified that students who are registered for summer are allowed to stay in the residence halls.

Trustees McInnis, Jenkins, and Roe asked clarifying questions; President Licari offeredto appoint a small group to address Hershey's concerns.

Hearing no further discussion, a roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously with nine trustees voting yes.

Housing Rates				
Name	Aye	Nay		
Trustee Atkins	Х			
Trustee Berg	Х			
Trustee Cannata	Х			
Trustee Hershey*	NVM			
Trustee Jenkins (Chair)	Х			
Trustee May	Х			
Trustee Mealer	Х			
Trustee O'Malley	Х			
Trustee McInnis	Х			
Trustee Roe	Х			

D. Executive Committee Report and Recommendations

Trustee Jenkins reported on the actions of the Executive Committee at the March 17, 2023, meeting.

The committee approved the minutes of the December 2, 2022, committee meeting.

The committee reviewed and approved two action items, which the board approved today by consent:

- Policy 1:010 Appeals and Appearances Before the Board
- Policy 1:001 Conflict of Interest

The committee reviewed and took action on two items requiring consideration of the board:

- Election of board chair
- Election of board vice-chair

i. Election of Board Chair

By the direction of the Executive Committee, Trustee Jenkins forwarded the nomination of Trustee Jenkins for appointment to board chair and opened the floor for additional nominations. Hearing no other nominations, Trustee Jenkins moved to appoint Trustee Jenkins to serve as board chair for a two-year term.

Trustee McInnis stated that Trustee Jenkins has been doing an excellent job as board chair and requested the chair's permission that she move to appoint Trustee Jenkins as board chair. Trustee Roe seconded the motion. Hearing no further discussion, a voice vote was taken and carried unanimously with nine trustees voting yes.

ii. Election of Board Vice-Chair

By the direction of the Executive Committee, Trustee Jenkins forwarded the nomination of Trustee O'Malley for appointment as board vice-chair and opened the floor for additional nominations. Hearing no other nominations, Trustee Jenkins moved to appoint Trustee O'Malley to serve as board vice-chair for a two-year term. Trustee Atkins seconded the motion. Hearing no further discussion, a voice vote was taken and carried unanimously with nine trustees voting yes.

E. Student Affairs Committee Report and Recommendations

Trustee McInnis reported on the actions of the Student Affairs Committee at the March 17, 2023, meeting.

The committee approved the minutes of the December 2, 2022, meeting.

The committee reviewed and approved one action item requiring consideration of the board:

• Appointment of Student Trustee

i. Appointment of Student Trustee

By the direction of the Student Affairs Committee, Trustee McInnis moved to appoint Jacob Knight to serve as the next student trustee, beginning on May 7, 2023, for the 2023-24 academic year. Hearing no discussion, a voice vote was taken and carried unanimously with nine trustees voting yes.

F. Other Business

i. Board Meeting Dates for 2024

Trustee Jenkins moved to approve board meeting dates for 2024:

- Friday, March 22, 2024
- Friday, June 7, 2024
- Friday, September 20, 2024
- Friday, December 6, 2024

Trustee Atkins seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and carried unanimously with nine trustees voting yes.

Information Items

A. President's Report & President's Interim Items

Trustee Jenkins recognized President Michael Licari to give the president's report to the board.

Licari expressed gratitude to the governor and the state legislature for their support in continuing to fund the Health Professions Building and the Institute for National Security and Military Studies.

Licari congratulated Trustees Cannata and O'Malley on the confirmation of their reappointments to the Board of Trustees.

Licari announced that he would be joining select faculty, staff, and students on an admissions "roadshow" to select cities in the region. The roadshow is focused on teaching admitted and prospective students more about the university.

In personnel updates, Licari stated that the search for vice president of student affairs is underway and a selection should be made before the start of summer term. Licari announced that Dr. Dlynn Williams has been named dean for the college of behavioral & health science. Williams comes to Austin Peay from the University of North Georgia. Licari congratulated the newly tenured faculty and also announced that APSU's Purpose-First Scholars program received a national-level award for "transforming higher education."

Licari congratulated the Women's Track & Field Team on their 4th place overall finish in the ASUN Indoor Championship, with 5 event championships: Long Jump (Amani Sharif), Pole Vault (Karlijn Schouten), 4x400m Relay, 200m (Kenisha Phillips), 400m (Kenisha Phillips). He also welcomed Corey Gipson, the new men's basketball coach.

Licari thanked student trustee Olivia Hershey for her service to the board and welcomed Jacob Knight as the in-coming student trustee.

Licari concluded by noting that the trustees' meeting materials included reports on state building commission actions and the contracts and agreements that had occurred since the last board meeting.

Adjournment

Trustee Jenkins stated the next board meeting will take place on June 9, 2023, and moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee McInnis seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken and carried unanimously with nine trustees voting yes. The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.