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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Board of Trustees

Bowling Green State University

June 6, 2008

Notice having been given in accordance with the Board of Trustees Bylaws, the following members met in the Bowen-Thompson Student Union on the Bowling Green campus on June 6, 2008: Michael Marsh, Chair; Stephanie Imhoff, John Harbal, Daniel Jacoby, John Moore, Bill Primrose, Debra Ryan, J. Robert Sebo, Fran Voll, and Mike Marsh.

Absent: No Board members absent – waiting on Governor’s office to appoint a new Graduate Student Trustee to replace Brady Gaskins

Also present: Linda Dobb, Executive Vice President and Secretary to the Board; Larry Chan, General Counsel; Dave Horger (WFOB Radio); Teri Sharp, Bonnie Blankinship, Kim McBroom, Gina Pottoff (BG NEWS reporter); Jaycee (Toledo Blade); and Kerry Foster.

Chair Marsh called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. The Board Secretary called the roll and announced that a quorum was present (10 trustees).

Chair Marsh welcomed everyone to the meeting. The first order of business was to approve a resolution to issue an RFP (Request for Proposal) for an Executive Search Firm.

Approval of Issuance of an RFP for an Executive Search Firm

No. 54-2008: Marsh moved and Harbal seconded that:

Whereas, President Sidney A. Ribeau has announced his intention to leave Bowling Green State University as of August 1, 2008, and

Whereas, the Charter of the University calls for the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees to select a President, and

Whereas, the Board has determined that it is in the best interest of Bowling Green State University to utilize an Executive Search Firm to assist in its search,

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Board hereby authorizes the Bowling Green State University Purchasing Department to review and distribute the attached document as an RFP (Request for Proposal) for an Executive Search firm, which may be considered to work with the Board as it begins its Presidential search process.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting “yes” – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, Mr. Wilcox, and Mr. Voll. Nine affirmative votes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Marsh announced that in keeping with the provisions of the state’s “sunshine law” and Amended Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Board Members would meet in an executive session to consider the appointment of an interim president. He requested that members meet in Room 311 with the regular meeting to be reconvened as soon as possible to take action if necessary.

No. 55-2008 Marsh moved and Wilcox seconded that members of the Board meet in an executive session under divisions (G)(3) and (5) of the Ohio Open Meetings Act (Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22) to consider the appointment of an interim president.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting "yes" – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, Mr. Wilcox, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with 9 affirmative votes.

The regular meeting was recessed and the members moved into executive session in Room 311.

Chair Marsh reconvened the regular meeting with the announcement that members had met in executive session for 90 minutes to consider the appointment of an interim president.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting "yes" – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, Mr. Wilcox, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with 9 affirmative votes.

Appointment of an Interim President for Bowling Green State University

No. 56-2008 Marsh moved and Harbal seconded that:

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees to select the President of the University, and

Whereas, the current President, Sidney A. Ribeau, has made clear his intention to leave Bowling Green State University for the Presidency of Howard University as of August 1, 2008, and

Whereas, there is not time for the Board of Trustees to conduct a full search for a permanent President;

Therefore Be It Resolved, the Board of Trustees hereby appoints Dr. Carol A. Cartwright, former President of Kent State University and a Distinguished Academic Leader, as the Interim President of Bowling Green State University at a salary of \$300,000 beginning July 21, 2008 and ending upon the hire of a new President.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting "yes" – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, Mr. Wilcox, and Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with 9 affirmative votes.

Marsh thanked the Board members for their input on candidates.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Marsh announced that in keeping with the provisions of the state's "sunshine law" and Amended Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Board Members would meet in an executive session for the purpose of discussing individuals who may be invited to participate in the selection and appointment of BGSU's new President. He requested that members meet in Room 311 with the regular meeting to be reconvened as soon as possible to take action if necessary.

No. 57-2008 Marsh moved and Moore seconded that members of the Board meet in an executive session under divisions (G)(3) and (5) of the Ohio Open Meetings Act (Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22) to discuss individuals who may be invited to participate in the selection and appointment of BGSU's new President.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting "yes" – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with 9 affirmative votes.

The regular meeting was recessed and the members moved into executive session in Room 311.

Chair Marsh reconvened the regular meeting with the announcement that members had met in executive session for 3 hours for the purpose of discussing individuals who may be invited to participate in the selection and appointment of BGSU's new President.

Appointment of a Search Committee

No. 58-2008 Marsh moved and Wilcox seconded that:

Whereas, President Sidney A. Ribeau has announced his intention to leave Bowling Green State University as of August 1, 2008, and

Whereas, the Academic Charter of the University calls for the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees to select a President for the University and states that the Board "may utilize representatives of the faculty, administration, student body and others, as appropriate," in its search, and

Whereas, the Board of Trustees has decided to create a search committee for a new President of the University,

Therefore Be It Resolved the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees hereby names the following individuals to serve on the Presidential Search Committee:

William Primrose, Member Board of Trustees, Chair of Search Committee
 J. Robert Sebo, Member, Board of Trustees
 John Moore, Member, Board of Trustees
 Stephanie Imhoff, Member, Board of Trustees
 Ellen Williams, Chair, Faculty Senate
 Ron Shields, Vice Chair, Faculty Senate
 Patrick Pauken, Parliamentarian, Faculty Senate
 Arthur Yeh, Faculty Member, College of Business
 Faith Olson, Chair, Classified Staff Council
 Jill Carr, Member, Administrative Staff
 John Waynick, Undergraduate Student Government President
 Emmanuel Guillory, Graduate Student Government President
 Andre Craig, Alumni Board
 Jim Bailey, Foundation Board
 Richard Edwards, Community representative

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting "yes" – Mr. Harbal, Ms. Imhoff, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Moore, Mr. Primrose, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Sebo, Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Voll. The motion was approved with 9 affirmative votes.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.