

**GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Minutes of the December 13, 2018 Special Meeting

Patrick Ormsby, Chair

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Patrick Ormsby called the Board of Trustees Special Meeting to order at 8:37 am. Roll call was taken and Trustees Bruce Friefeld, Anibal Taboas, Carney Barr, Cornelius Griggs, and Linda Coleman were also in attendance. Trustee Lorraine Tyson arrived at 8:45 am. Trustee Masah SamForay was absent.

Others in attendance: Sarah Luke, General Counsel; Penny Perdue, Chief of Administrative Operations and Liaison to the Board; David Golland, Faculty Senate President; Mary Pat Burns, Attorney, Burke, Burns & Pinelli Ltd.; Sarah A. Boeckman, Attorney, Burke, Burns & Pinelli Ltd.; and Dennis Culloton, Culloton Strategies, LLC.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Charles Dieringer, Community Member

Mr. Dieringer made the following remarks: I have a long background of involvement with GSU. Today I have a petition that I submitted to Prairie State College about a sustainability effort amongst local areas of government. I'm trying to get this advisory referendum passed. I feel we need to be more efficient to prevent brain flow to Indiana. St. James Hospital in Chicago Heights, which is over 100 years old, is closed and slated to be torn down. I went to the Veterans Home in Quincy, Illinois last week where 150 veterans live. As you may know there have been several deaths there attributed to Legionnaire's Disease. St. James has 150 rooms, and therefore I propose we transfer the Quincy residents to that facility. I know there are a lot of good resources at GSU that I think we could utilize. The second subject I would like to bring up today is the watershed. Many people worked on this for many years, but we haven't met since Professor Karen D'Arcy retired five years ago. We need to take care of our ground water and I ask for GSU's help. Thank you for your time. I would be happy to answer any questions. (Handouts were provided.)

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM

The following meeting dates were approved for 2019:

Friday, February 15, 2019

Friday, May 3, 2019

Friday, August 16, 2019 – Annual Board Retreat

Friday, October 11, 2019

Friday, December 6, 2019

All meetings will take place in Engbretson Hall, beginning at 9:00 am, unless notified otherwise.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ormsby requested a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:44 am. Friefeld made a motion to meet in Executive Session pursuant to Illinois Open Meetings Act Sections 2(c)1 and 2(c)11 to discuss personnel and litigation. Griggs seconded. Roll call was taken and Ormsby, Friefeld, Taboas, Barr, Griggs, and Coleman were present. Trustee Tyson arrived at 8:45 am. Also in attendance: Sarah Luke, General Counsel; Mary Pat Burns, Attorney, Burke, Burns & Pinelli Ltd.; and Sarah A. Boeckman, Attorney, Burke, Burns & Pinelli Ltd. Dennis Culloton, Culloton Strategies, LLC, joined Executive Session at approximately 10:30 am.

Ormsby requested a motion to adjourn the Executive Session and the Special Meeting at 10:50 am. Coleman made a motion. Friefeld seconded. Roll call was taken and Ormsby, Tyson, Friefeld, Taboas, Barr, and Coleman voted aye. Trustee Griggs left the meeting prior to adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Johns Maloney