

**MINUTES OF
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY
QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

A regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Board of Trustees of Governors State University (the “Board” and “GSU,” respectively), an Illinois body politic and corporate, was held in person and via audio-videoconference at GSU’s University Park Campus in Engbretson Hall on June 17, 2024 beginning at approximately 9:20 am. The purpose of the meeting was to conduct the business described in the agenda posted for public notice before 9:00 am on June 17, 2024 in accordance with Section 2.02 of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. 5 ILCS 120/ *et seq.* Before the meeting, each Trustee received books with materials corresponding to the action items, a copy of which is maintained with the Board records.

I. MEETING DETAILS

Meeting Chair: Angela M. Sebastian

Minutes Recorded By: Therese King Nohos, General Counsel

II. ATTENDEES

Chair Sebastian confirmed a quorum was present given the presence of the following Trustees in attendance in person at the start of the meeting unless otherwise noted:

- Angela M. Sebastian, Trustee and Chair
- Stacy Crook, Trustee;
- Karen Nunn, Trustee;
- Anibal Taboas, Trustee (via teleconference); and
- Kevin Brookins, Trustee and Vice Chair

President Cheryl Green, Ph.D., *ex-officio* Board member and chief executive officer of GSU, was present, as were the following members of the President’s Cabinet who appeared in person:

- Joshua R. Allen, MPS, SHRM-SCP, Vice President of Human Resources;

- Corey S. Bradford, Sr., Ph.D., Vice President for Administration and Finance;
- Janelle A. Crowley, PhD, Chief of Staff, President’s Office;
- William Davis, Vice President, External Affairs;
- Maureen Kelly, Executive Director, Government Relations;
- Paul McGuinness, MA, Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management;
- Therese King Nohos, JD, Vice President, General Counsel;
- Patricia O’Neal, Executive Assistant to the President;
- Joi F. Patterson, PhD, Chief Diversity Officer; and
- Beverly Schneller, PhD, Vice President, Provost and Chief Academic Officer.

Senate President, Stephen Wagner, PhD (Faculty Senate) and Susie Morris (Civil Service Vice President) were present as well.

III. ABSENCES

Lluvia Hernandez-Aguirre, Student Trustee and James Kvedaras, Trustee, were absent.

IV. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sebastian at approximately 9:20 am.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were made.

VI. CHAIR COMMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Sebastian welcomed everyone and called the Committee of the Whole to order. Dr. Crowley called the roll. Trustee Taboas joined at 9:30 am virtually. Chair Sebastian noted that, there is a vacancy on the board. Trustee Brudnak is no longer a sitting Trustee of Governors State University after serving a full six year term. The Chair thanked him for his efforts on behalf of the University.

VII. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND MEETING MINUTES

Chair Sebastian asked for a motion to approve the proposed agenda as presented for today's meeting. Trustee Brookins so moved and Trustee Nunn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Chair Sebastian then asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented from February 26, 2024. Trustee Brookins so moved, seconded by Trustee Nunn. The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS

As set forth in the Agenda, the following information items were presented for discussion:

- Faculty Senate Report by Dr. Wagner;
- Civil Service Report by Senate Vice President Susie Morris;
- Facilities Master Plan Update by Dr. Bradford, John Potempa and Brailsford & Dunlavy;
- Strategy 2025 report on historical and current activities by Dr. Schneller;
- New programs proposed through the Academic Master Planning Committee by Dr. Schneller;
- Advance Smart Logistics (ASL) overview by Dr. Sonia Dalmia, Reggie Greenwood.

Between the reports, there was extensive discussion and question/answer regarding the Governors State Housing Advisory Services Project Update; the Strategy 2025 report on historical and current activities; and the Advance Smart Logistics (ASL) overview. The Board adjourned for a break at 10:31 am and resumed session at 10:41 am.

IX. ACTION ITEMS

As otherwise set forth in the Agenda, the following action items were presented for discussion:

- Resolution 24-13, approval of Metropolitan Alliance of Police Union Contract for the Department of Public Safety, was presented by Vice President Allen;
- Resolution 24-21, approval of Change to Collective Bargaining Agreement with Teamsters 743 Labor Union, was presented by Vice President Allen;
- Resolution 24-22, approval of tenure for the twelve presented candidates who meet the criteria of the UPI agreement, was presented by Dr. Schneller;
- Resolution 24-23, approval of Emerita Status for Dr. Linda Samson, College of Health, and Human Services, was presented by Dr. Schneller;
- Resolution 24-24, approval of Summary Report Academic Program Review AY 23-24 to be presented to the Illinois Board of Higher Education, was presented by Dr. Schneller;
- Resolution 24-25, Approval of preliminary budget for fiscal year 2025, was presented by Dr. Bradford; and
- Resolution 24-26, Approval of Student Trustee Resolution for Lluvia Hernandez-Aguirre, was presented by Chair Sebastian.

X. CLOSED SESSION

Chair Sebastian recommended that the Board go into closed session pursuant to Section 2(c)(11) and (29) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/ *et seq.* Trustee Crooks so moved, and Trustee Taboas seconded. The motion passed unanimously upon a roll call vote. The open session of the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:00 am.

XI. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

The open session of the meeting resumed at approximately 11:20 am. Chair Sebastian noted that there was no action taken in closed session. There being no other new or old business, Chair Sebastian then asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Crooks so moved, and Trustee Nunn seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:20 am.

Approved this 19th day of August 2024

Angela M. Sebastian, Chair

James Kvedaras, Secretary