

Chicago State University
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2008
Academic Library – Auditorium
7:48 a.m. – 9:10 a.m.

Board Members Present

Trustee Betsy Hill, Chairman
Trustee Rev. Richard Tolliver, Ph.D., Vice Chairman
Trustee James Reynolds, Secretary
Trustee Rev. Leon D. Finney, Jr., Ph.D.
Trustee Peggy A. Montes
Trustee Jawaun Sutton, Student Representative

Others Present

Interim President Frank G. Pogue, Jr., Ph.D.
Mr. Mark Dunn, Board Counsel
Dr. Sandra Westbrook, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Ms. Altricia Wheeler, Secretary to the Board
Dr. Erma Brooks Williams, Associate to the President for Communications & External Relations

Roll Call Verification of Meeting Notice

A quorum was verified. The meeting met the requirement of The Open Meetings Act.

Action Items

- a. **Approval of Previous Minutes**
The previous minutes were approved.
- b. **Election of 2009 Board Officers**
The election for the 2009 Board Officers was held. The results were as follows:
 1. Trustee Rev. Leon D. Finney, Jr., Ph.D., Chairman
 2. Trustee Rev. Richard Tolliver, Ph.D., Vice Chairman
 3. Trustee James Reynolds, Secretary
- c. **Approval of 2009 Board Meeting Schedules**
Trustee Finney moved to approve the Board of Trustees meeting schedule as March 11, 2009, May 13, 2009, September 23, 2009 and December 9, 2009. Trustee Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Audit Committee and Academic Affairs Committee

Trustee Finney moved to approve the Audit and Academic Affairs Committees meeting schedule as February 4, 2009, April 8, 2009, September 9, 2009, and November 11, 2009. Trustee Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Interim President's Report

Interim President, Frank G. Pogue, Ph.D., provided highlights of his written report. Dr. Pogue informed Trustees of the following personnel changes: Dr. Howard Johnson appointed as Interim Vice President of Student Affairs, Dr. Patricia Sloan will retire from the position of Executive Assistant to the President (five candidates were interviewed), also interviewed for the position for Vice President of Finance in Administration, and a search will be announced for the Chief of Police.

Dr. Pogue described the planning process to Trustees. In September the expectations were developed. In November the expectations were refined and several committees were formed for weekly progress updates. December is the deadline for committee reports. The President's Executive Council (PEC) will continue to deliberate on the process in January. March the second draft of the expectations and planning process to be delivered to the University for feedback. In April the Spring Convocation and achievements will be announced. Committees will review mission and shared values. Transition documents will be prepared for the new president in June.

Dr. Pogue informed Trustees of an internal finance committee meeting on Saturday, December 20, 2008 to discuss how CSU is currently spending monies and are these monies supporting the mission. Also, there will be a discussion to review a plan to increase the enrollment process.

Finance, Facilities and Audit Committee Report

Trustee Reynolds reported that in the past he had challenges of understanding what was being presented in the Finance Committee and that areas of responsibility were being shifted to employees. However, now he is finally getting control of what is going on and sees a system of accountability. Trustee Reynolds stated that was a reflection of management and applauded the leadership of Dr. Justmann and Dr. Pogue.

Trustee Reynolds reported that two contracts were recommended to the Board, Positive Child Development and Bridge to the Doctorate. In addition, Dr. Justmann presented an update on audit findings. Also, Trustee Sutton wanted the committee to take a look at the U-Pass issue and he was asked to come back with recommendations.

Trustee Montes moved to approve the \$1 million Positive Children Development Contract. Trustee Sutton seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0

Trustee Sutton moved to approve the \$987,000 Bridge to the Doctorate Contract. Trustee Montes seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: 6
Nays: 0

Academic and Student Affairs, Personnel and Legislation Committee Report

Trustee Finney reported that Provost Westbrook presented the following: ACT resolution, update on the College of Pharmacy and report on the Child Care Center. Trustee Finney stated that Dr. Johnson presented an update on Student Affairs and is in the process of beginning an enrollment management plan. A plan for the Office of Institutional Advancement is also being developed.

Trustee Finney also reported that the ACT resolution was received; however, students thought that the standards were being lowered. But Dr. Westbrook convinced the Board that that was not the case based on the matrix submitted.

Trustee Finney moved to approve the ACT Resolution. Trustee Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: 5
Nays: 1

Civil Service Merit Board

Trustee Tolliver reported that the Civil Service Merit Board met in November. There were no Chicago State University cases.

Presidential Search Update

Trustee Tolliver reported that an advertisement was placed in The Chronicle of Higher Education. Trustee Tolliver submitted a proposed presidential search event schedule.

Student Trustee Report

Trustee Sutton submitted a written report outlining the following issues of concerns: Longer hours for the academic library and Cordell Reed Student Union, open gym hours, student representation on committees, U-Pass and a myriad of accessibility issues affecting the students.

Other Matters

There were no employee and public comments.

Recess into Executive Session at 9:05 a.m.

Return to Open Session at 9:09 a.m.

Action Item

Trustee Finney moved that the minutes lawfully closed for the Executive Sessions of March 4, 2008, April 23, 2008, May 7, 2008 and September 4, 2008 be released. Trustee Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.