

CSU Board of Trustees
Virtual Board meeting
Open Session Minutes
Monday, May 2, 2022
3:10 p.m. – 5:03 p.m.

Board Members Present

Trustee Andrea Zopp, Chair
Trustee Mark Schneider, Vice-Chair
Trustee Angelique David-Secretary
Trustee Brian Clay
Trustee Jason Quiara

Board Members Absent:

Trustee Essence Smart
Trustee Cory Thames
Trustee Cheryl Watkins

Others Present

President Zaldwaynaka (Z) Scott, Esq.
Teresa Bates, Executive Director of Board Relations
Craig Deutsch, Chief Financial Officer, and Vice President of Financial Operations
Interim Dean, Nelly Maynard Continuing Education & Non-Traditional Degree Programs
Walter Pryor, Esq., Interim Vice President of Legal Affairs and General Counsel
Dr. Leslie Roundtree, Interim Provost & Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs
Erin Steva, Vice President of External Affairs

1. Call to Order

Chair Andrea Zopp called the meeting to order.

2. Roll Call

A quorum was verified, and roll call was taken.

3. Verification of Meeting Notice

The meeting notice was posted as mandated by the Illinois Open Meetings Act, in physical locations in the Student Union building, Library and Cook Administration building and online.

4. Approval of Agenda

Chair Zopp asked if there was a need to make corrections to the agenda. There were none. Chair Zopp moved to accept the agenda. Trustee Mark Schneider seconded the motion. The agenda was approved with a unanimous roll call vote. Chair Zopp introduced Trustee Jason Quiara, a new Board member. Trustee Quiara gave a brief introduction.

5. Public Comment

Chair Zopp made the following statement.

The Board will not hear presentations or entertain questions on the following topics: issues under negotiation as part of the University's collective bargaining process; statements concerning the private activities, lifestyles, beliefs of individuals employed by or associated with the University; grievances of individual students or employees or any personnel matters.

Comments were limited to 2 minutes.

Chair Zopp asked Ms. Bates to begin calling anyone who signed up to speak. Ms. Bates stated that there were no public comments.

6. Approval of Minutes

Chair Zopp moved to approve the minutes from the March 7, 2022, meeting. Trustee Clay seconded the motion.

Trustee Clay -Yes
Trustee David -Yes
Trustee Schneider -Yes
Trustee Quiara – Yes
Trustee Zopp -Yes

The motion passed unanimously: Ayes 5 Nays 0

7. President's Remarks

President Scott welcomed everyone back to an in-person meeting and welcomed Trustee Jason Quiara. President Scott gave kudos to the COVID-19 task force for helping to bring the campus back safely and helped to keep transmission rates low.

President Scott then highlighted various events that happened on and off campus which included:

- Governor Pritzker and General Assembly Leaders signing the FY2023 Budget;
- The President's visit to Washington DC for the Thurgood Marshall College Fund Fly-In;
- The President gave a brief update on the renovation of the Campus Pool;
- She also highlighted the inaugural students who are a part of the Sterling Bay Scholar Program;
- President Scott introduced Jessica Poole as Interim Athletic Director of CSU Athletics;
- President Scott ended her remarks by highlighting the National Urban League's 21 Pillars Tour which visited Chicago State University.

8. Board Reports

Academic Affairs

Chair Zopp called on Dr. Leslie Roundtree, Interim Provost, to give the Academic Affairs report and present two resolutions.

Provost Roundtree stated that the campus is preparing for commencement, induction, and hooding ceremonies.

Provost Roundtree stated that Lincoln College was closing, Chicago State University reached out to them. Lincoln College is a small PBI, and the college was presented with a teach-out plan. At Chicago State University's undergraduate fair, they had approximately fifty students from Lincoln College attend. At the conclusion of her report, Dr. Roundtree continued with her resolutions.

Provost Roundtree read the accomplishments of all the faculty that were suggested for tenure.

Chair Zopp called for a motion to approve the resolution for conferring tenure on Dr. Inna Dolzhenko, Dr. Thomas Lucas, Dr. Rae-Anne Montague, Dr. Rupa Potti, Dr Concetta Williams, and Dr. Ehab Yamani.

Trustee Angelique David moved to approve the resolution granting tenure status to Dr. Inna Dolzhenko, Dr. Thomas Lucas, Dr. Rae-Anne Montague, Dr. Rupa Potti, Dr. Concetta Williams, and Dr. Ehab Yamani. Trustee Clay seconded the motion.

Trustee Clay -Yes

Trustee David -Yes

Trustee Schneider -Yes

Trustee Quiara-Yes

Trustee Zopp -Yes

The motion passed unanimously: Ayes 5 Nays 0

Provost. Roundtree presented her final resolution regarding Professor Emeritus status for Professor Haki Madhubuti. She presented his accolades and accomplishments.

Before taking the vote, Chair Zopp reminded the Board that the recommendation fell outside of the timing window during which Professor Emeritus status is granted as the Board regulations provide that the recommendation should have occurred within six months of the Professor's conclusion of service to the University. But because of the unanimous support for this recommendation on the part of the faculty, Provost, and President, and on Dr. Madhubuti's enormous contributions as a scholar, the Board considered it at the May meeting. Chair Zopp asked if any Trustee had questions. There were none.

It was moved by Trustee Jason Quiara to accept the resolution and grant Professor Emeritus status to Professor Haki Madhubuti. The motion was seconded by Trustee Angelique David.

Trustee Clay -Yes

Trustee David -Yes

Trustee Schneider -Yes

Trustee Quiara-Yes

Trustee Zopp -Yes
The motion passed unanimously: Ayes 5 Nays 0

Chair Zopp then congratulated Provost Roundtree on her Fellowship as a Pioneer in Diversifying the Occupational Therapy Profession. A round of applause was given.

Finance and Audit Report

As Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee, Trustee Schneider called on Craig Duetsch, Chief Financial Officer, and Vice President of Financial Operations to present the report and three resolutions.

Mr. Duetsch presented the financials for the third quarter, an update on current contractual obligations over \$10K and three resolutions.

Mr. Duetsch presented the resolution for **a Pest Control Contract with R.B. Pest Solutions**. The University completed the bid process and R.B. Pest Solutions was chosen as the vendor with the lowest bid. The contract would be for two years.

Chair Schneider called for a motion to approve the resolution for the Pest Control contract. Trustee Zopp moved to approve the resolution for the Pest Control Contract. Trustee Clay seconded the motion.

Trustee Clay -Yes
Trustee David -Yes
Trustee Schneider -Yes
Trustee Quiara-Yes
Trustee Zopp -Yes

The motion passed unanimously: Ayes 5 Nays 0

Chair Schneider asked Mr. Duetsch to present his next resolution. Mr. Duetsch presented the resolution to approve the FY 2023 Tuition and Fee Waiver Allocations.

Chair Schneider called for a motion to approve the resolution for the FY 2023 Tuition and Fee Waiver Allocations. Trustee Zopp moved to approve the resolution for the FY2023 Tuition and Fee Waiver Allocations. Trustee Clay seconded the motion.

Trustee Clay -Yes
Trustee David -Yes
Trustee Schneider -Yes
Trustee Quiara-Yes
Trustee Zopp -Yes

The motion passed unanimously: Ayes 5 Nays 0

Chair Schneider asked Mr. Duetsch to present his final resolution. Mr. Duetsch presented the resolution to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreements with Metropolitan Alliance of Police (MAP), Chapter 144 and Chapter 297.

The union consists of 16 police officers and telecommunicators in Chapter 144 and six lieutenants and sergeants in Chapter 297.

Wage increases ranged from 1.5% to 2.5%

Chair Schneider called for a motion to approve the resolution for Collective Bargaining Agreements with Metropolitan Alliance of Police (MAP), Chapter 144 and Chapter 297. Trustee Zopp moved to approve the resolution Collective Bargaining Agreements with Metropolitan Alliance of Police (MAP), Chapter 144 and Chapter 297. Trustee Clay seconded the motion.

Trustee Clay -Yes

Trustee David -Yes

Trustee Schneider -Yes

Trustee Quiara-Yes

Trustee Zopp -Yes

The motion passed unanimously: Ayes 5 Nays 0

The Finance and Audit Report ended, and the meeting was turned over to Chair Andrea Zopp.

Did You Know?

Chair Zopp then called on Nelly Maynard, Interim Dean of the Continuing Education and Non-Traditional Degree Programs to present on their programs.

Interim Dean Maynard highlighted the Adult Integrated Learning Program which allows students who may not want to study a specific subject an option of taking classes from more than one department. She also presented on the Individualized Curriculum Program which is geared towards adults over the age of twenty-four with more real-life experience. This program gives students a chance to develop an academic plan that is consistent with their life and career goals.

External Affairs Report

Chair Zopp called on Erin Steva, VP of External Affairs to present her report.

Ms. Steva presented on three subjects. First how the External Affairs department was increasing the Chicago State University brand. They are using paid advertising, out of home advertising (CTA, Billboards, etc.) and Earned media. She also presented on progress on the State and

Federal level. The budget was passed in May. \$2.5 million was secured for the Child Development Center and \$450K was secured for district spending.

Finally, she gave an update on the Child Development Center. The Grand Opening will be June 1st. There will be seventy slots for ages three and up in Phase 1. Phase 2 will cover age three and under.

CSU Foundation Board Member Peggy Montes will be recognized at the event.

Ms. Steva concluded her report.

Board of Trustee By-Law Approval

Chair Zopp then moved to discuss the amended By-Laws. There were no questions.

Chair Zopp asked for a motion to approve the CSU Board of Trustee By-Law Amendments. Trustee Schneider moved to approve the CSU Board of Trustee By-Law Amendments. Trustee Angelique David seconded the motion.

Trustee Clay -Yes

Trustee David -Yes

Trustee Schneider -Yes

Trustee Quiara-Yes

Trustee Zopp -Yes

The motion passed unanimously: Ayes 5 Nays 0

Chair Zopp then asked for a motion to move into Executive Session. Trustee Schneider moved to move into Executive Session. Trustee Clay seconded the motion

Trustee Clay -Yes

Trustee David -Yes

Trustee Schneider -Yes

Trustee Quiara-Yes

Trustee Zopp -Yes

The motion passed unanimously: Ayes 5 Nays 0

Return to Open Session

Chair Zopp called for a motion to move into Open session. Trustee Schneider made the motion and Trustee Clay seconded the motion.

Trustee Clay -Yes

Trustee David -Yes

Trustee Schneider -Yes

Trustee Quiara-Yes

Trustee Zopp -Yes

The motion passed unanimously: Ayes 5 Nays 0

The Board had no items that required action in the Open Session.

Chair Zopp called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Schneider moved to adjourn the meeting; Trustee Clay seconded the motion.

Trustee Clay -Yes

Trustee David -Yes

Trustee Schneider -Yes

Trustee Quiara-Yes

Trustee Zopp -Yes

The May 2, 2022, Board of Trustees meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.