

Chicago State University  
Special Board of Trustees Meeting  
Full Board Meeting Minutes  
Academic Library – Auditorium, Room 415  
February 11, 2014  
1:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Board Members Present

Trustee Anthony L. Young, Chairman  
Trustee James T. Joyce, Vice Chairman  
Trustee Michael L. Curtin, Secretary  
Trustee Spencer R. Leak  
Trustee Horace Smith  
Trustee Nikki Zollar  
Trustee Ismael Reyna, Student Representative

Others Present

Mr. Wayne Watson, Ph.D., President  
Mr. Patrick Cage, Esq., General Counsel for Labor and Legal Affairs  
Dr. Richard Darga, Dean, Library and Instruction Services  
Ms. Farah C. Muscadin, Esq. Director of Intergovernmental Affairs  
Ms. Bonnie Phillips, Assistant to Ms. Farah C. Muscadin

1. Call to Order

Trustee Young 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.

Trustee Young stated that the meeting would go directly into executive session and after it concludes Dr. Richard Darga would give a presentation on the Obama Library Proposal.

4. Recess into Executive Session Pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

**Trustee Curtin moved to recess into Executive Session. Trustee Smith seconded the motion.**

**The motion passed as follows:**

**Ayes: 7**

**Nays: 0**

5. Reconvene into Open Session

Chairman Young stated the following:

The Chicago State University Board of Trustees accepts the PhD conferred on Dr. Angela Henderson by the University of Illinois and the current process being followed. Therefore, the Board supports Dr. Henderson in her role as the Interim Provost and Senior Vice President. The Board also expresses its full confidence in President Watson.

6. Reports

- a. Academic and Student Affairs  
Trustee James Joyce presided.
  1. Information Items

a. CSU Bid for Obama Library

Dr. Richard Darga gave an updated report on the Obama Presidential Library Proposal. He stated that the Request for Qualification (RFQ) would be released sometime this month and that the RFP will come out in the fall.

Dr. Darga stated that there is an active team (faculty, students, staff, and community representatives) exploring why CSU would be a good location for the Obama Presidential Library. He stated that we are getting calls from alumni who want to work with us to make this happen.

Dr. Darga stated that there would be a visit to the Bush Presidential Library in the near future.

Dr. Darga stated that Chicago State University, University of Illinois at Chicago, and University of Chicago has been in the media recently for being realistic sites for the Obama Presidential Library.

Trustee Zollar asked if there is any information on the Mayor's initiative to bring all three universities together in one bid. Dr. Darga stated that he did not have any information. Trustee Zollar asked Mr. Patrick Cage if he had information on the Mayor's initiative. Mr. Cage stated that he did not; however he would follow up.

7. Other Matters

a. Public and Employee Comments

**Trustee Young stated that during Public and Employee Comment time the Board does not entertain matters concerning University negotiations, collective bargaining process or activities and lifestyles of individual employees. Trustee Young stated that these questions are for someone in Administration. Trustee Young stated that the Board does not engage in dialogue only listens to your concerns.**

Dr. Phillip Beverly, Faculty Senate President informed the Board that at its Thursday meeting the Faculty Senate voted no confidence in the Interim Provost and voted no confidence in the President. Dr. Beverly stated that the particulars will be provided to the Board subsequent to this meeting.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.