

Board of Trustees Meeting

December 2, 2021 Roaden University Center, Room 282

MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Tennessee Tech Board of Trustees met on December 2, 2021, in Roaden University Center, Room 282. Chair Harper called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

Chair Harper asked Lee Wray, Secretary, to call the roll. The following members were present:

- Dan Allcott
- Trudy Harper
- Tom Jones
- Fred Lowery
- Thomas Lynn
- Rhedona Rose
- Johnny Stites
- Hannah Willis

A quorum was present at the meeting.

Chair Harper stated this meeting was being streamed live on the internet and the public was given notice. Trustee Barry Wilmore was absent due to training. Trustee Teresa Vanhooser participated remotely. She confirmed she could simultaneously hear and speak to the Board members, she received the Board materials in advance of the meeting, and she was the only person present in the location from which she was calling.

AGENDA ITEM 2 - RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS

Students from the University Orchestra shared about their experience with the program. The students who joined were Noah Brown, Emma Fox, Kester Nucum, and Ihuoma Ohanaka.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – OLLIE OTTER PRESENTATION

Carol Coleman, President of the Tennessee Road Builders Association Foundation, and Kent Starwalt, President of the Tennessee Road Builders Association spoke to the trustees about the Ollie Otter initiative. They recognized Kevin Liska and Julie Brewer from the University for their direction with the successful launch of the initiative.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tom Jones moved to approve the minutes from October 7, 2021. Mr. Lowery seconded the motion. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 5 - PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President reported on the following items: 1) pandemic, 2) strength of academic report and financial report, 3) capital projects including Wattenbarger auditorium, Derryberry auditorium, Peachtree Pedestrian Mall, Ashraf Islam engineering building, J.J. Oakley Innovation and Residential Hall, West Tucker Stadium, Wings Up Way parking garage, Johnson Hall, and Foster Hall, 4) enrollment, 5) scholarships, 6) presidential visits to six high schools, and 7) the funding formula.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda included Faculty Workload Policy 208 and Online and Distance Education Policy 223. Rhedona Rose moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Lowery seconded the motion. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – ACADEMIC & STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Rhedona Rose moved to approve the B.S. in Animal Science. Prof. Allcott seconded the motion. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – AUDIT & BUSINESS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Johnny Stites moved to approve the fiscal year 2021-2022 revised budget and organizational chart. Mr. Lynn seconded the motion. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Johnny Stites moved to approve the Tuition Transparency Act Report for fiscal year 2020-2021. Ms. Rose seconded the motion. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Johnny Stites moved to approve the fiscal year 2022-2023 disclosed projects for Wings Up Way parking garage and the football stadium project. Mr. Lynn seconded the motion. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – BOARD SECRETARY REPORT

Mr. Wray reminded the Trustees about their annual attestation regarding the code of ethics and conflict of interest.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING DATES

The next information session provided by Academic Affairs and the Office of Research was scheduled for February 3, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. The next full board meeting for the Trustees was scheduled for March 10, 2022.

AGENDA ITEM 11 – OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

AGENDA ITEM 13 – ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

Approved,

Lee Wray, Board Secretary