

BRIDGEWATER STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JUNE 12, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Trustees Alexander, Durgin, Grady, Caulfield, Longo, Murphy, MacCormack, Pimental (Via phone) and Turchon

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustees Oliari, Denterlein

ALSO PRESENT: President Clark; Provost Ismaili; Vice Presidents Molife, Powers, Jean, Jason, Oravec, Gentlewarrior; Chief of Staff Leuenberger; Interim Vice President Zuromski

The provision of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A having been complied with, and a quorum of the Board present, the Board of Trustees held their annual meeting on June 12, 2019 in the Dunn Conference Room, Crimson Hall with Chairman Durgin presiding.

Chairman Durgin called the meeting to order at 6:55pm. He noted Trustee Pimental participated via telephone pursuant to Remote Participation 940 CMR 29.10(5) due to geographic distance.

Consideration of Minutes

On motion duly made and seconded (MacCormack, Caulfield) it was that the minutes from the April 10, 2019 meeting be approved. (Attachment)

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FOR: Unanimous
CARRIED

**CHAIRMAN'S
REPORT**

Chairman Durgin recognized Tom Caron who is stepping down as Chair of the BSU Foundation after serving in this capacity for five years. He truly appreciates his stewardship and dedication. Provost Ismaili recognized faculty Richard Wright, Allyson Ferrante and Colleen Rua who received a Presidential Award for Distinguished Teaching; Dr. Wright received a Presidential Fellowship to conduct research for one academic year.

**PRESIDENT'S
REPORT**

President Clark acknowledged Mr. Steve Zuromski who will serve as the Interim Vice President for Information Technology in place of

Mr. Ray Lefebvre who resigned. He also acknowledged Dr. Jeanean Davis-Street on her appointment as Dean of the College of Business. Dean Battaglini has retired and Dr. Jo Hoffman will serve as the interim dean for the College of Education and Allied Studies. He recognized the SGA President, Anna Rice, who was present.

President Clark thanked the Trustees for their support, encouragement and navigation of higher education. He thanked Anna Grady for serving as student trustee and for her upcoming service as a student representative on the BHE Board. The Leadership Celebration resulted in \$275,000 in donations. He congratulated Trustee Turchon on the dedication of the Turchon Tunnel. He thanked his cabinet members for their hard work and dedication this past year. Regarding the MSCA faculty contract, funding passed the House and Senate and he is hopeful to pay the faculty by the end of July. The FY20 budget is still unsettled. The budget is inadequate; they are advocating relentlessly for better funding. President Clark congratulated Maria Hegbloom as she recently had a baby. He appreciates her leadership this past year. He recognized the many successes of BSU's faculty, students and programs. This May, 2,500 students graduated. Orientation is underway. Mandela Fellows will soon return for the fourth year in a row. A BSU magazine was provided to the Trustees which has been distributed to all households and businesses in the Town of Bridgewater thanks to Vice President Molife and Susan McCombe.

Children's Physical Development Clinic Presentation (CPDC)

Provost Ismaili introduced Sheila Campbell, director for CPDC, who spoke about the program. This program serves children with disabilities as well as BSU students who need this experience. It is a learning program for our BSU students through direct involvement. There are 110 undergraduate student clinicians. They serve about 65 children (18 months to 18 years of age). There are broad disabilities represented for our students to work with. A strong commitment is required from our students; it runs for 8 weeks and they have to attend every week. Students commit to a child/family. BSU students have a full day of orientation and weekly staff meetings. This program has been here for 45 years and there are many great successes. President Clark noted this is a unique program. Thousands of our students have participated over the years. There is a wait list for participants to be admitted into this program. Provost Ismaili commented Dr. Joe Huber led this program for about 40 years and he publicly thanked Sheila for advancing the program and continuing with it.

**ACTION/
INFORMATION
ITEMS****EXECUTIVE**Board of Trustees Budget – FY2020

Chairman Durgin noted the budget is level funded.

VOTED

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

On motion duly made and seconded (Alexander, MacCormack) it was that the Board of Trustees approves the Board of Trustees Budget for FY2020 as recommended by the Executive Committee and outlined in the memorandum from President Clark dated June 6, 2019. (Attachment)

Naming of College of Education and Allied Studies

Chairman Durgin noted this was discussed at length at the Executive Committee and the new name will be the College of Education and Health Sciences.

VOTED

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

On motion duly made and seconded (Murphy, MacCormack) it was that the Board of Trustees approves the renaming of College of Education and Allied Studies as recommended by the Executive Committee as outlined in the memorandum from President Clark dated June 6, 2019. (Attachment)

Tenure Appointments

Chairman Durgin noted a recommendation is made for Dr. Kimberly Fox and Dr. Lisa Krissoff Boehm to receive tenure.

VOTED

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

On motion duly made and seconded (MacCormack, Alexander) it was that the Board of Trustees approve the Tenure Recommendations as recommended by the Executive Committee and described in the memorandum from President Clark dated June 6, 2019. (Attachment)

President's Expenses and Upcoming Travel

The president's expenses and travel was brought as an information item. (Attachment)

President's Accrued Vacation and Sick Time

The president's vacation and sick time for this past year was provided as an information item. (Attachment)

Personnel Update

Chairman Durgin was pleased to report that Mr. Steve Zuromski will serve as the interim vice president for Information Technology with the departure of Mr. Ray Lefebvre.

FINANCE AND OPERATIONSContinuation Budget for FY2020

Committee Chair Murphy noted the continuation budget needs authority by the Board to continue expending funds until the budget is confirmed by the legislature.

VOTED

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

On motion duly made and seconded (Murphy, MacCormack) it was that the Board of Trustees approves the Continuation Budget for FY2020 in the amount of \$60,530,679 (prorated expenditure level for 3.5 months) as recommended by the Finance and Operations Committee and outlined in the memorandum from President Clark dated May 16, 2019.

(Attachment)

FY2019/Q3 Trust Fund Report

Committee Chair Murphy noted the budget is in line with expectations. He highlighted the residence life trust fund and the aviation trust fund were lower than expected. Reduced expenditures have not made a significant impact due to actions taken by management.

VOTED

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

On motion duly made and seconded (Murphy, MacCormack) it was that the Board of Trustees approves the FY2019/Q3 Trust Fund Report as recommended by the Finance and Operations Committee and outlined in the memorandum from President Clark dated May 16, 2019.

(Attachment)

Student Fee Schedule for AY2018-19

Committee Chair Murphy noted the student fee recommendation is an increase of a range between 2-4% for the next academic year based on the approved budget by the legislature and signed by the Governor. President Clark said their goal is to keep it as low as possible.

VOTED

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

On motion duly made and seconded (Murphy, MacCormack) it was that the Board of Trustees approves the Student Fee Schedule for AY2019-2020 as recommended by the Finance and Operations Committee and outlined in the memorandum from President Clark

dated May 16, 2019.
(Attachment)

Contract Approval for Ellucian

Committee Chair Murphy said the renewal of the Ellucian contract will be extended for five years. Extensive conversation was held at the committee meeting. This is a non-competitive contract. The contract should be reviewed at the end of the contract period.

VOTED

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

On motion duly made and seconded (Murphy, MacCormack) it was that the Board of Trustees approves the Ellucian contract as recommended by the Finance and Operations Committee and outlined in the memorandum from President Clark dated May 16, 2019.
(Attachment)

FY2019/Q3 Contracts Report

Committee Chair Murphy noted this report was provided as an information item.
(Attachment)

FY2019/Q3 Budget Report

Committee Chair Murphy noted this report was provided as an information item.
(Attachment)

Capital Projects Update

Committee Chair Murphy noted Vice President Jason provided a report on ongoing and upcoming projects. Vice President Jason was pleased to report on the deferred maintenance project where BSU received \$10M from DCAMM to replace primary switch gear.
(Attachment)

UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT

FY2019/Q3 Advancement Activity Report

Committee Chair Longo noted the first two quarters experienced a loss, however, the third quarter was better. Investments were slightly lower than the benchmark. Giving is going well; they are at 91% of their goal at the end of the third quarter. Over 12,000 calls were made by students in the phone-a-thon. A significant intention bequest was received which is terrific. Day of Giving was a great success; \$100,627 was raised.

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On motion duly made and seconded (Longo, Caulfield), it was that the Board of Trustees approves the FY2019/Q3 Advancement

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CARRIED

Activity Report as recommended by the University Advancement Committee and outlined in the memorandum from President Clark dated May 16, 2019.
(Attachment)

Alumni Update

Committee Chair Longo noted BAA held their annual dinner which went very well.

Foundation Update

Tom Caron has stepped down as Chair of the Foundation. Joe St. Laurent will serve as the new chairperson.

Vice President Molife invited everyone to the naming of Turchon Tunnel on June 18.

Advancement received an award from CASE. This is the first time we have been recognized for three years of consecutive improvement and best practices.

UNIVERSITY SAFETY AND SECURITY

Crisis Protocols

Committee Chair Caulfield recognized the efforts of campus police at the commencement ceremonies. Chief Tillinghast and Assistant Chief Rushton presented on crisis protocols at the committee meeting. A comprehensive crisis plan was developed and it is continually under review. The plan is very dynamic. BSU is a leader and the plan is a best practice model. She offered her congratulations to BSU Campus Police.
(Attachment)

Sexual Assault/Harassment Statistics

Committee Chair Caulfield noted statistics were presented by Jocelyn Frawley, Acting Director for Title IX. Informal complaints are not contained in this document. The data shows there has been an increase in sexual exploitation reports.
(Attachment)

EXTERNAL RELATIONS

Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment Initiative Presentation (ICEI)

Chairman Durgin reported Mary Price, Director for the ICEI program,

provided a detailed presentation for ICEI at the committee meeting. This program provides an invaluable service for the young adults who never thought they would be able to attend college.
(Attachment)

PRESIDENTIAL REVIEW AND COMPENSATION

Presidential Review for AY2018-2019

Chairman Durgin noted the committee met to review the president's performance. The Board is mandated to review the president's performance each year. The president provided his own self-assessment based on the strategic plan and other goals. Chairman Durgin drafted an evaluation on behalf of the Board to be submitted to the Board of Higher Education.

VOTED

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

On motion duly made and seconded (Alexander, Longo) it was that the Board of Trustees accepts President Clark's self-assessment and Chairman Durgin's cover letter as recommended by the Presidential Review and Compensation Committee for the 2018-2019 academic year.
(Attachment)

President Clark's Salary Recommendation

Chairman Durgin noted the Board requests President Clark receive a salary increase at the highest level allowed by the university.

VOTED

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

On motion duly made and seconded (Longo, Alexander) it was that the Board of Trustees approves a recommendation to the Commissioner of the Department of Higher Education that a merit increase be granted to President Clark per the recommendation from the Presidential Review and Compensation Committee as noted in the attached letter from Chairman Durgin dated June 14, 2019.
(Attachment)

NOMINATING

Slate of Board Officers – AY2019-2020

Committee Chair Longo thanked Trustee Alexander for his work on the nomination process.

VOTED

FOR: Unanimous

On motion duly made and seconded (Longo, Turchon) it was that the Board of Trustees approves the Slate of Board Officers for AY2019-2020 as recommended by the Nominating Committee in

CARRIED

the attached memorandum from Committee Chair Longo dated June 6, 2019.

(Attachment)

The slate of officers for AY2019-2020 are: Gene Durgin, Chairman; Jean MacCormack, Vice Chairperson; Dave Alexander, Secretary.

**OTHER
BUSINESS**

Chairman Durgin acknowledged Trustee Grady for serving as student trustee this past year. He appreciates her participation and dedication to the Board and wishes her well in future endeavors. She has been selected to serve as a student representative on the Board of Higher Education.

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FOR: Unanimous

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On motion duly made and seconded (Longo, Murphy) it was that the meeting be adjourned (8:05pm).

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Alexander
Secretary

Minutes prepared by:
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