

**MINUTES OF THE  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF  
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT PEMBROKE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES, LUMBEE HALL 423/Webex  
Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at 2:00 PM**

The special called meeting of the University of North Carolina at Pembroke Board of Trustees was held in Lumbee Hall Rm. 423/Webex. This special called meeting was properly noticed in accordance with State law. Chair Allen Jamerson called the meeting to order at 2:01 pm.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll was called and the following Trustees were present as indicated:

Allen Jamerson  
Allison Harrington  
Edward Brooks  
Linda “Mickey” Gregory  
Michelle Ingram  
Patricia Willoughby  
Randall Jones  
Kenneth Robinette  
James Lockemy  
Jim Hyler  
Ron Gibson

Absent: Karen Sampson

Also in attendance: Chancellor Robin G. Cummings; Gabe Eszterhas, vice chancellor of finance and administration; Dr. Jess Boersma, chief of staff and assistant secretary to the Board of Trustees; Teresa L. Bryant, recording secretary to the Board of Trustees.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE PRESS**

None present.

**ETHICS STATEMENT**

Chair Jamerson reminded the Trustees of their duty under the State Government Ethics Act to avoid conflicts of interest and/or the appearance of a conflict of interest. Trustees reviewed the printed statement. No member made known any conflicts of interest.

## CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Chair Jamerson thanks everyone for their attendance. He shared this is his last meeting as Chair of the Board of Trustees but has one more year to serve on the board. He stated that he is looking forward to working with the new Executive Committee.

## CONSIDERATION AND REQUEST TO APPROVE FOLLOWING FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION ACTION ITEMS

Chair Jamerson recognized Gabe Eszterhas, Vice Chancellor of Finance & Administration who shared information regarding the following items: Design Firm for the Chancellor's Residence Study; Design Firm for Roof Top Units Replacement; Design Firm for Vogue Road Water Line Improvements; Lease for Old Main Stream Academy.

### **ACTION 2024-25**

Upon motion made by Kenneth Robinette, seconded by Ed Brooks, and unanimously carried, the Board of Trustees approved the above-mentioned action items. (**Attachment 2-5**).

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes were presented for the following meetings for approval:

- Nominating Committee, Special Called Meeting, June 18, 2024

Upon motion made by Ron Gibson, seconded by Kenneth Robinette and unanimously carried, the members of the Nominating Committee of the Board of Trustees approved the minutes as listed. (**Attachment 6**).

## REPORT FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Committee Member Kenneth Robinette discussed the meeting of the Nominating Committee which was held on June 18, 2024 during which the committee drafted a slate of names for Board leadership for academic year 2024-2025. Committee Member Robinette stated after some discussion the committee reached a consensus to bring the following recommendations to the full Board for approval: Edward Brooks as chair; Allison Harrington as vice chair; and Linda "Mickey" Gregory as secretary.

There being no further discussion, Chair Jamerson asked for a motion.

### **ACTION 2024-26**

As recommended by the Nominating Committee, and upon motion made by Kenneth Robinette, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the selection of Board leadership for academic year

2024-2025: Edward Brooks as chair; Allison Harrington as vice chair; and Linda “Mickey” Gregory as secretary, in accordance with POL 01.05.01 – Bylaws of the BOT of UNC Pembroke.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Chair Jamerson requested the Board move into closed session.

**ACTION  
2024-27**

Upon motion made by Ed Brooks and seconded by Ron Gibson, and unanimously carried, the Board of Trustees approved the motion to go into closed session to discuss confidential personnel matters so as to prevent the disclosure of such information which is confidential pursuant to the laws of this State, or not considered a public record. *NCGS § 143-318.11(a)(1)(6)*.

*Minutes of the closed session are stated in a separate document.*



Upon motion made, properly seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Trustees approved the motion to return to open session.

As a result of discussions during closed session, the following motion was made.

**ACTION  
2024-28**

As requested by Chancellor Robin G. Cummings and Dr. Diane Prusank, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and upon motion made by Allison Harrington, and seconded by Linda “Mickey” Gregory, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the Waive of Search for the Dean of the School of Optometry. (**Attachment 7**).

**ACTION  
2024-29**

As recommended by Chancellor Robin G. Cummings and Dr. Diane Prusank, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and upon motion made by Trustee Allison Harrington, and seconded by Kenneth Robinette, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the Appointment of Dr. Richard E. Castillo as the Dean of the School of Optometry at the salary and under the terms and conditions described in the appointment letter. (**Attachment 8**).

**CHANCELLOR’S REMARKS**

Chancellor Cummings recognized and thanked Chair Allen Jamerson for serving as Chair of the Board of Trustees. Chancellor Cummings then shared information from the System Office regarding the DEI Requirements and changes.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Jess Boersma shared with the trustees that the Committee Assignment request will be sent out next week for trustees to rank the committees they would like to serve on for 2024-2025. Dr. Boersma also shared that the Endowment Board will be meeting immediately following this special called meeting.

## ADJOURNMENT

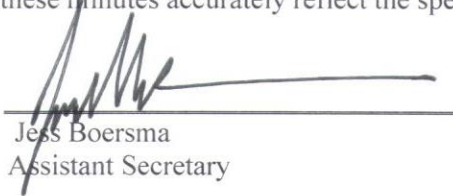
Upon motion made by Kenneth Robinette, seconded by Ron Gibson, and unanimously carried, the meeting of the Board of Trustees adjourned at 3:03 pm. Chair Jamerson thanked the trustees for their time.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Teresa L. Bryant  
Recording Secretary

I certify these minutes accurately reflect the special called meeting held on July 9, 2024.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Jess Boersma  
Assistant Secretary

### Attachments:

1. Agenda – Special Called Meeting, Tuesday, July 9, 2024
2. Design Firm for the Chancellor's Residence Study
3. Design Firm for Roof Top Units Replacement
4. Design Firm for Vogue Road Water Line Improvements
5. Lease Old Main Stream Academy
6. Minutes – Nominating Committee, Special Called Meeting, Tuesday, June 18, 2024
7. Waive of Search for Dean of School of Optometry
8. Appointment of Dean of School of Optometry