

**STOCKTON UNIVERSITY**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**OPEN PUBLIC MINUTES**  
**May 06, 2020**

<p><b>Trustees Present via Zoom</b></p>	<p>Leo B. Schoffer, Esq., Chair          Mr. Raymond R. Ciccone, CPA, Vice Chair          Mr. Stanley M. Ellis, Secretary          Ms. Mady Deininger          Dr. Nancy Davis          Michael Jacobson, Esq.          Mr. Andy Dolce          Ms. Nelida Valentin          Ms. Meg Worthington          Ms. Nadira Anderson, Student Trustee          Mr. Tyler Rodriguez, Student Trustee Alternate          Dr. Harvey Kesselman, President and Ex Officio</p>
<p><b>Call to Order</b></p>	<p>Chairperson Schoffer called the meeting to order at 12:19 p.m. on Wednesday, May 06, 2020 via Zoom. On April 29, 2020, a special notice of this meeting, as required by the Open Public Meeting Act due to change of location, was (a) posted on the University's Website; (b) forwarded to the Bursar's Office at the University, the editors of the <i>Press of Atlantic City, the Daily Journal</i>; and (c) filed with the Secretary of the State of New Jersey, the Galloway Township Clerk's Office, and the Atlantic County Clerk's Office.</p>
<p><b>Approval of Open Public Regular Meeting Minutes of February 26, 2020</b></p>	<p><b>Upon a motion duly made by Trustee Valentin and seconded by Trustee Dolce, the Board voted to adopt the Open Public Meeting minutes of the February 26, 2020 Board of Trustees Open Public Meeting.</b></p>
<p><b>Resolution to Meet in Closed Session</b></p>	<p><b>Upon a motion duly made by Trustee Dolce and seconded by Trustee Davis, the Board voted to meet in closed session at 12:40 p.m.</b></p>
<p><b>Reconvene of Open Public Meeting</b></p>	<p>Chair Schoffer reconvened the Open Public meeting at 4:31 p.m. via Zoom webinar.</p>
<p><b>Chairperson's Remarks</b></p>	<p>Trustee Schoffer informed the audience there were 191 participants on the BOT meeting Zoom webinar. He then commented on the COVID-19 crisis and remarked how proud he and the Board of Trustees are of the administration, staff, faculty and students for their handling of the pandemic. He also expressed that although the coming school year is uncertain, he is confident that Stockton will recover.</p>

<p><b>President's Report</b></p>	<p>President Kesselman thanked the audience for the huge turnout at his virtual COVID-19-19 update meeting. He then wished all mothers a Happy Mother's Day, thanked the administration, faculty and staff for all they've done and thanked students for their resiliency during this pandemic. He then commended the Board of Trustees for their incredible and steadfast support.</p> <p>That concluded President Kesselman's report.</p>
<p><b>Academic Affairs &amp; Planning Committee Report (AA&amp;P)</b></p>	<p>Trustee Davis thanked the faculty for seamlessly switching over to online teaching due to the pandemic. She also thanked the IT department for getting everyone set up to work, teach and participate in meetings remotely. She then called upon Dr. Michelle McDonald, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, to report.</p> <p>Dr. McDonald reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Faculty were teaching 2,073 courses this semester.</li> <li>• At the beginning of this term, there were 137 courses online until March when all courses moved completely online.</li> <li>• Discussions took place in the subcommittee meeting including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Programs and strategies used to support faculty and students during the pandemic</li> <li>○ Upcoming plans for commencement</li> <li>○ Ongoing instructional continuity planning</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>That concluded Dr. McDonald's report.</p>
<p><b>Student Success Committee Report</b></p>	<p>Trustee Worthington called upon Dr. Christopher Catching, Vice President for Student Affairs, to provide an update on various initiatives in Student Success. Dr. Catching reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student Success is supporting students during the COVID-19 crisis by helping them stay connected, continue their academic studies and remain safe and healthy.</li> <li>• Student Success has enlisted the help of Enrollment Management and Athletics to develop new strategies designed to help increase recruitment numbers.</li> </ul> <p>Dr. Catching then recognized the BOT Fellowship for Distinguished Students award recipients and thanked them for their hard work.</p> <p>That concluded Dr. Catching's report.</p>

<p><b>Finance and Professional Services Committee Report</b></p>	<p>Trustee Ellis provided the Finance and Professional Services Committee report, presenting the following consent agenda resolutions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuation of FY20 Budget into FY21</li> <li>• FY21 Meal Plan Rates</li> <li>• Appointment of Board Member to National Aviation Research and Technology Park, Inc.</li> </ul> <p><b>Upon a motion duly made by Trustee Worthington and seconded by Trustee Davis, the Board voted to adopt the resolutions as consent agenda items.</b></p> <p>Trustee Ellis then presented the following bid waiver resolution:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FY20-FY25 Bid Waiver Contracts</li> </ul> <p><b>Upon a motion duly made by Trustee Valentin and seconded by Trustee Deininger, the Board voted to adopt the resolutions as a bid waiver agenda item.</b> <i>*Trustee Jacobson recused himself from the SJ Gas, AC Electric and SJ Industries bid waivers as his law firm represents them.</i></p> <p>That concluded Trustee Ellis' report.</p>
<p><b>Audit Committee Report</b></p>	<p>Trustee Ciccone reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grant Thornton has been selected as the external auditor for another three years.</li> <li>• Internal auditors completed their audit on Stockton's Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance with no material findings. There were several findings for corrective action including signage which the Division of Facilities and Operations is addressing.</li> <li>• Internal audit of IT Disaster and Recovery is ongoing.</li> <li>• There will be audits of Miscellaneous Revenues and PCI compliance in the fall and a Mental Health and Wellness audit in the spring.</li> </ul> <p>That concluded the Audit Committee report.</p>
<p><b>Buildings and Grounds Committee Report</b></p>	<p>Trustee Dolce remarked about the subcommittee meeting where they discussed in detail the implications of COVID-19 in relation to safety and security of both campuses. He then called upon Mr. Don Hudson, Vice President for Facilities and Operations, to report. Mr. Hudson reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Emergency Task Force is facilitating a coordinated response to the pandemic.</li> <li>• Stockton offered and is in partnership with AtlantiCare and Bacharach to provide housing for their healthcare professionals. Don praised the Residential Life team for getting the facility ready for 20-28 healthcare professionals to</li> </ul>

	<p>move in.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stockton is creating a recovery and reopening task force that will make plans for the Fall semester with guidance from the State of NJ, CDC, Office of Emergency Management, etc. The task force will present the findings to senior leadership and President Kesselman with recommendations on what the reopening will look like.</li> </ul> <p>Mr. Hudson then spoke about several projects including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The electrical shutdown will continue as scheduled in July. A, B, C and D wings will be started in June. Additionally, the Campus Center will be fully operational in July which will be used as swing space for continuity of operations.</li> <li>• Capitol requests for FY21 have been updated and capitol for next year has been reduced. Some projects have been deferred.</li> <li>• The update of the Master Plan will continue through May and into June and July before being presented to the Board for final review in September.</li> </ul> <p>That concluded the Buildings and Grounds report.</p>
<p><b>Development Committee Report</b></p>	<p>Trustee Deininger called upon Mr. Daniel Nugent to report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Almost \$10 million in gifts has been raised for this year and we expect to be well over that number by June 30, 2020. This is a record-breaking year for Stockton.</li> <li>• A campaign is currently underway for the Student Relief Fund that provides emergency funding to students with severe financial need for spring and summer.</li> <li>• Elevate Stockton (<a href="https://elevate.stockton.edu/">https://elevate.stockton.edu/</a>) is a crowdfunding platform where you can learn more about student relief fundraising efforts.</li> <li>• The Scholarship Benefit Gala was due to COVID-19 but all major sponsors were asked to continue supporting students during this time and to date over \$190,000 has been raised for that scholarship fund. Development is also reaching out to those who normally attend the gala asking them to donate the cost of their ticket to either the Scholarship or Student Relief Fund. The gala will be held virtually with instructions on how to make a signature Osprey cocktail and other virtual events will be rolled out to increase engagement.</li> </ul> <p>That concluded Trustee Deininger's report.</p>

<p><b>Investment Committee Report</b></p>	<p>Trustee Ellis reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As of April 29, 2020, the portfolio balance was \$87,388,732 million, a loss of \$938,481.</li> <li>• As of January 31, 2020, the balance was \$93,412,000. Due to COVID-19, on March 25, 2020, it dropped to \$77 million.</li> </ul> <p>That concluded Trustee Ellis' report.</p>
<p><b>University Policies</b></p>	<p>President Kesselman presented the following policies for second reading for Board consideration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I-1 Board of Trustees</li> <li>I-1.5 Evaluation of the University President and Board of Trustees</li> <li>I-2 Powers and Duties of the President</li> <li>VI-65 Signatory Authority</li> <li>VI-70 University Policy and Procedure Authority</li> </ul> <p><b>Upon a motion duly made by Trustee Deininger and seconded by Trustee Davis, the Board voted to adopt the resolution</b></p>
<p><b>Authorization for Sale of Property</b></p>	<p>President Kesselman asked Mr. Don Hudson to give background information on the property located on Chris Gaupp for sale. The resolution for Authorization for Sale of Property, Stockton Medical Building Suites, Galloway, New Jersey was presented.</p> <p><b>Upon a motion duly made by Trustee Ciccone and seconded by Trustee Davis, the Board voted to adopt the resolution.</b></p>
<p><b>Personnel Actions Resolution</b></p>	<p>Chair Schoffer announced the Board's review of the Personnel Actions Resolution, which was posted on the University's website for review.</p> <p><b>Upon a motion duly made by Trustee Ciccone and seconded by Trustee Davis, the Board voted to adopt the resolution.</b></p>

<p><b>Board Comments/ Comments from the Public</b></p>	<p>Dr. Michelle McDonald recognized and congratulated a record number of 22 faculty granted promotion and tenure. She also recognized two faculty for their emeritus status.</p> <p>Dr. Christopher Catching recognized new staff members; Jhanna Jean-Louis, Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs and Brett Pulliam, Executive Director for the Educational Opportunity Success Programs. He also recognized Dr. Marilyn Mason who is retiring in June 2020.</p> <p>Due to technical issues, Dr. Susan Davenport returned to the resolution on the authorization to purchase property and the personnel resolution to secure Trustee Deininger’s vote. She voted yes on both and that concluded Dr. Davenport’s comment.</p> <p>Trustee Davis congratulated all faculty promoted and faculty emeritus.</p> <p>Trustee Ciccone thanked faculty for being very creative in dealing with COVID-19 and continuing to teach our students under the circumstances.</p> <p>Trustee Deininger echoed Trustee Ciccone’s sentiments and thanked faculty for their hard work.</p> <p>Trustee Dolce thanked Don Hudson and his team for their hard work and all of the planning and preparation to safely prepare Stockton for next semester.</p> <p>President Kesselman recognized Dr. Rodger Jackson, Professor of Philosophy and SFT President and Dr. Laura Zucconi, Professor of History and Faculty Senate President, for their strong leadership throughout this pandemic. He then thanked Dr. Zucconi as this meeting was her last as faculty senate president and congratulated Dr. Jackson on his range adjustment. He also recognized Cabinet on their phenomenal job to keep the institution moving forward and then thanked the faculty and staff for their hard work during this pandemic.</p> <p>Trustee Schoffer remarked he hoped attendees of the meeting enjoyed the Zoom Webinar and commended Mr. Scott Huston, Chief Information Officer and the IT department for their tremendous work in setting up the Zoom meetings and them working seamlessly throughout the day.</p>
<p><b>Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting</b></p>	<p>The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. on the Atlantic City campus in the Fannie Lou Hamer Event Room.</p>
<p><b>Adjournment</b></p>	<p><b>Upon a motion duly made by Trustee Davis and seconded by Trustee Ciccone, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting.</b></p>