

UNIVERSITY of NORTH CAROLINA  
ASHEVILLE

Minutes of the Meeting of the University of North Carolina at Asheville  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Thursday, July 9, 2015  
Overlook Hall, Multipurpose Room 011

**The following Trustees were present:**

King Prather, Chair  
Pat Smith, Vice Chair  
Oscar Wong  
Maya Newlin, Student Trustee  
Robert Long, Jr.  
JW Davis  
Piyush Patel  
Wilma Sherrill  
Kennon Briggs  
Robby Russell  
Richard Lutovsky

**The following Trustees were absent:**

Ron Paulus  
Cissie Stevens

**Others present:**

Mary Grant, Chancellor  
Joseph Urgo, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs  
Buffy Bagwell, Vice Chancellor for Advancement  
Julie Balls, *Asheville Citizen-Times*  
Elizabeth Becker, Chancellor's Office  
Luke Bukoski, Interim Director of Communication and Marketing  
Chelsey Burke, Executive Assistant to the Chancellor  
Greg Carter, Associate Vice Chancellor of External Relations  
Janet Cone, Senior Administrator for University Enterprises and Athletics Director  
William Haggard, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs  
Nicole Norian, Human Resources  
Heather Parlier, General Counsel  
John Pierce, Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance  
Steve Plever, Communication and Marketing

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Prather at 10:40 a.m. He reminded the Board of the duty, imposed by the State Government Ethics Act, to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict, and allowed members to declare any conflicts. No conflicts stated.

### **Introductions and Swearing In**

Chair Prather started the meeting with an introduction of all members of the Board. Each member went around the room and stated who they were. This year, there are five new board members. The new members were sworn in by Elizabeth Becker; Maya Newlin (student trustee), Robert Long, Jr., Richard Lutovsky, Robby Russell, and Oscar Wong.

### **Report of the April 2, 2015, Meeting of the Nominating Committee**

Trustee Patel delivered the report on behalf of the committee.

He thanked the committee for giving this decision great thought. The committee has come to a decision to nominate Pat Smith to Chair, King Prather as Vice Chair, and Kennon Briggs to Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

**VOTED:** To approve the nomination of the committee and approve Pat Smith as Chair, King Prather as Vice Chair, and Kennon Briggs as Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

Former Chair Prather thanked the board for allowing him to serve as Chair for two years and is looking forward to continuing his work on the Board. He congratulated new Chair Smith on her appointment and stated he knows she will lead the Board well.

Chair Smith thanked Vice Chair Prather for his leadership in working with three Chancellors and completing a successful Chancellor search. Chair Smith is glad Vice Chair Prather will continue to support her in his new role. She is honored to serve as Chair and looks forward to the challenges and opportunities ahead, with support of the board and a world-class institution.

### **Report of the May 19, 2015, Meeting of the AdHoc Naming Committee**

Trustee Davis delivered the report on behalf of the committee.

He thanked Vice Chair Prather for constructing this important committee. He stated the committee had two great meetings and will further discuss the meeting in closed session.

### **Report of the June 30, 2015, Meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee**

Provost Joseph Urgo delivered the report on behalf of the committee, in Trustee Paulus's absence.

The committee reviewed tenure for professors and new hires for the academic year. They also discussed various campus activities that will take place this upcoming semester, including the Chancellor's Installation on September 19, 2015.

**Approval to go into Closed Session**

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

- VOTED:** To go into Closed Session for the following reasons:
- To prevent the premature disclosure of honorary award or scholarship
  - To establish or instruct the staff of agent concerning the negotiations of the amount of compensation or other terms of an employee contract
  - To consider the qualifications, competence, performance, or condition of appointment of a public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee, as allowed by sections 143-318.11 (a) (2), (5), and (6) of the North Carolina General Statutes.

*Closed Session ended at 11:23 a.m.*

**Approval of the Minutes of the April 2, 2015, Meeting of the Board of Trustees**

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

- VOTED:** To approve the minutes of the April 2, 2015, meeting of the Board and all actions contained therein.

**Installation Reminder**

Chair Smith reminded the Board of Chancellor Grant's Installation on Saturday, September 19, 2015 at 10 a.m. She announced that this will be a great opportunity and celebration of our new Chancellor. It will be a fun and engaging event that will allow us to connect with friends, make new friends, and connect with the community.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

Submitted Respectfully,



Chelsey Burke

10/9/15  
Date



Pat Smith, Chair

10/9/15  
Date