

# Alabama State University Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda Dunn - Oliver Acadome Board Room February 2, 2024

# I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Board President Brenda Brown Dillard.

# **II. Invocation**

The invocation was given by Brenda Brown Dillard.

# **III.Pledge of Allegiance**

The pledge was recite in unison.

# IV. Establishment of a Quorum

University President Dr. Quinton t. Ross, Jr. called the roll, and a quorum was established.

	Present	Absent
Dillard	Х	
Madison	Х	
Hudson	Х	
Bracy	Х	
Edwards	Х	
Fleming	Х	
Gore		Х
Lumzy	Х	
McCord	Х	
McKenzie	Х	
Means	Х	
Spencer	Х	

Ware	X	
Whitt	Х	

# V. Approval of Agenda

Trustee Angela McKenzie made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, and it was seconded by Trustee Napoleon Bracy. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

	Yes	No	Abstain
Dillard	X		
Madison	X		
Hudson	X		
Bracy	X		
Edwards	X		
Fleming	X		
Gore			
Lumzy	X		
McCord	X		
McKenzie	X		
Means	X		
Spencer	X		
Ware	X		
Whitt	X		

# **VI.** Approval of Minutes

President Pro Tempore Madison made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 27, 2023meeting as presented, and it was seconded by Trustee Pamela Ware. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

	Yes	No	Abstain
Dillard	X		
Madison	X		
Hudson	X		
Bracy	X		
Edwards	X		
Fleming	Х		
Gore			
Lumzy	Х		
McCord	X		
McKenzie	X		
Means	X		
Spencer	X		
Ware	X		
Whitt	X		

# VII.President's Report

President Ross provided his report and highlighted the following:

- Founders' Day Celebration
- Strategic Plan
- CommUniversity
- Christian Brothers Network in Dothan, Alabama
- Budget Request presentation to the Alabama Democratic Caucus
- South Florida Alumni Chapter
- TMC Project Soar Collaboration
- BioTech Consortium with Birmingham

- Hosted Alabama State Board of Education on ASU's Campus
- Justice on Trial Award Received
- Student Satisfaction and Employee Satisfaction rates have improved from 2021 to 2023.
- RNL Customer Service Consultant will be providing a customer service plan.
- Launch of engineering program in Fall 2024, ACHE has approved OT Doctoral program
- ABET is reviewing programs for accreditation.
- Beta Kappa Phi -ASU will be hosting their conference
- Students interested in the Secret Service were able to list the agency.
- Dr. Clarke created an AI learning experience.
- A new AI tutorial program has been introduced to support students.
- New computers have been placed in labs and centers across campus.
- New website will be rolled out.
- Fifth Year Interim report is coming soon.
- ASU Days of Giving will be April 9-10, 2024.
- WVAS to celebrate 40th Anniversary June 2024.
- New transformer for WVAS
- University Annual report will be published soon.
- Trust for Educational Excellence Investment Committee visited Neuberger Berman.
- ServisFirst Bank transition has been completed.
- 2012 Bonds of 1.9 million dollars were retired.
- Career Services hosted a successful Career Fair.
- College Sunday at Pilgrim Rest was held and our student Josh Banks provided the word. The band, Trustees Bracy and McCord, students and alumni were in attendance.
- LEAD Speaker series has been phenomenal. Dr. Knight will be leading the next session,
- Inside Track having students enroll in school and coaching freshman to stay in school.
- Data Hub to be implemented.
- MSI Summit held on ASU campus in conjunction with the Governors Office on Minority Affairs.
- Campus Safety rating upgraded to a B.
- Department of Public Safety will host the Alabama Sheriff's and Chief's meeting on campus.
- Precinct to be opened in the Student Center
- Visited by Paul Brown from the FBI to brief on cyber security threats.
- Shared updates on renovations and replacements being managed by Facilities Management.
- PGA honored the University for golf clubhouse and facilities.
- Friendship Manor will be built out for offices.
- ASU is at the top of the SWAC.

• 248 student athletes have a 3.0 gpa or higher.

# **VIII. Committees**

#### a. Executive

President Dillard reported the committee did not meet.

# b. Governance

President Dillard reported the committee did not meet.

# c. Audit

President Dillard reported the committee did not meet.

# b. Academic Affairs

# 1. Master of Science in Criminal Justice

# 2. Artificial Intelligence Use Policy

Trustee Hudson made a motion to approve the two action items from the Academic Affairs Committee, the Master of Science in Criminal Justice and Artificial Intelligence Use Policy, and it was seconded by Trustee Ware. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

	Yes	No	Abstain
Dillard	X		
Madison	X		
Hudson	X		
Bracy	X		
Edwards	X		
Fleming	X		
Gore			
Lumzy	X		
McCord	X		
McKenzie	X		
Means	X		
Spencer	X		
Ware	X		
Whitt	X		

# b. Finance

Committee Chair Bracy reported the committee met but did not have any action items.

#### c. Student Affairs

Committee Chair Hudson reported the committee met but did not have any action items.

#### d. Property

Trustee Hudson reported the committee met but did not have any action items.

# e. Athletic

Committee Chair Madison reported the committee met but did not have any action items.

#### f. Development

Committee Chair Madison reported the committee met but did not have any action items.

#### IX. Investment

# a. Trust for Educational Excellence Investment Committee Update

President Dillard reiterated the comments made by Dr, Ross regarding the that Nueberger Berman meeting with the Trust for Educational Investment Committee.

# b. Investment Committee - Board Standing Committee

President Dillard shared an Investment Committee needs to be added to the standing committee of the Board of Trustees. It is her intent to bring to this to the Board in the near future.

# X. Human Resources

# a. Vice President for Business and Finance

President Ross recommended Mrs. Alondrea Pritchett to serve as Vice President for Business and Finance. A motion was made by Trustee Bracy and seconded by Trustee McCord to approve the recommendation made by President Ross to appoint Mrs. Alondrea Pritchett as Vice President for Business and Finance. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

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Madison	Х		
Hudson	Х		

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Fleming	X	
Gore		
Lumzy	X	
McCord	X	
McKenzie	X	
Means	X	
Spencer	X	
Ware	X	
Whitt	Х	

#### XI. Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Chair Dr. Sara Kiser reviewed her written report.

# XII. Non Instructional Staff

Non Instructional Staff Council President Marion Brock reviewed his written report.

# XIII. Student Government Association

Vice President Hope Smith provided a report for the SGA. She highlighted the following:

River Region Blanket Drive, Home for. The Holidays, Hornet Buzz Line, SGA Budget passed, Highlight other campus organization, SGA President's Advisory Council, Partnered with Campus life for, SGA Meal of the week, 10% bill for surrounding businesses, students running jointly, headshot implementation act for COBA students, update the SGAConstitution, Welcome Back Week, buses to Atlanta for home for the holidays, campus safety week, spring scholarship drive, Farewell Week.

President Dillard asked if the headshot initiative could be added for all students. VP Smith shared that other mentors are working on this. Trustee Fleming gave VP Smith kudos on her report.

#### **XIV. Other Business**

President Ross thanked everyone for their participation in the Founders' Day Convocation and shared that it could not happen without an outstanding faculty, staff and students.

Trustee Bracy shared his appreciation for getting ASU back in front of the Mobile community with the University's participation of the Port City Classic, Bridge Builder Classic and Mobile Mari Gras. He shared that increasing ASU's visibility in t the Mobile area in order to increase enrollment has been his goal since joining the Board.

Trustee McCord thanked the board and administration for all of the advancements in Academic Affairs.

Trustee Christopher Spencer thanked the Student Affairs and Enrollment Management team for their work on the bus tour.

President Dillard thanked the board members for their participation in Founders' Day.

#### XV. Adjournment

Trustee McCord made a motion to recess the meeting at the call of the Chair and it was seconded by President Pro Tempore Madison. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion was approved. The meeting was recessed.

	Yes	No	Abstain
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Bracy	X		
Edwards	X		
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Gore			
Lumzy	X		
McCord	X		
McKenzie	X		
Means	X		
Spencer	X		
Ware	X		
Whitt	X		