

Minutes of the
NIU Board of Trustees
Of Northern Illinois University
Special Meeting
February 15, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 2:12 p.m. by Chair Coleman in the Board of Trustees Room, 315 Altgeld Hall. Recording Secretary Kathleen Carey conducted a roll call. Members present were Trustees Wheeler Coleman, Dennis Barsema, John Butler, Giuseppe LaGioia, Tim Struthers, and Eric Wasowicz. Members absent Trustees Robert Boey and Veronica Herrero. Also present: President Lisa Freeman, Board Liaison Matt Streb, Acting General Counsel Greg Brady, Acting Executive Vice President and Provost Chris McCord, and Vice President of Administration and Finance Sarah McGill.

2. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM AND APPROPRIATE NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

General Counsel Brady indicated the appropriate notification of the meeting has been provided pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Mr. Brady also advised that a quorum was present.

3. MEETING AGENDA APPROVAL

Chair Coleman asked for a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Trustee Barema so moved and Trustee Wasowicz seconded. The motion was approved.

Chair Coleman asked for a motion to amend the agenda for a consent agenda of items 6.a.1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20. Trustee LaGioia so moved and Trustee Wasowicz seconded. The motion passed.

4. CHAIR'S COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

No comments or announcements were made.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was made.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT 121

Chair Coleman called for a motion to pass the consent agenda on the following agenda items: Agenda Item 6.a.(1) Membership Changes to the Presidential Search Planning Committee; 6.a.(2) Appointment of Board Treasurer; 6.a.(3) Treasurer Operations- Signatory Authorization; 6.a.(4) DoIT Network Expansion; 6.a.(5) Request for Deletion of Specialization in Spanish; 6.a.(6) Request for Deletion of Degree Programs in German; and Spanish; 6.a.(7) Request for New Emphases in German Studies; and Spanish and Hispanic Studies; 6.a.(8) Request for Deletion of Emphases within German; and within Spanish; 6.a.(9) Request for New Minor in World Languages and Cultures; 6.a.(10) Request for Deletion of Minors in Chinese Studies; French; German; Italian; Japanese Studies; Russian; and Spanish; 6.a.(11) Request for Deletion of Degree Programs in General Studies with the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology; 6.a.(12) Request for Deletion of Specialization in Early Childhood Special Education; 6.a.(13) Request for New Minor in Special Education Foundations; 6.a.(14) Request for New Minors in Sport Management; and Sport Sales; 6.a.(15) Request for New Degree Program – B.S. in Sport Management; 6.a.(16) Request for New Minor in Social Change Leadership; 6.a.(17) Request for New Specialization in Clinical Mental Health Counseling; and in School Counseling; 6.a.(18) Request for New Degree Program – M.S. in Digital Marketing; 6.a.(19)

Request for New Degree Program – M.S. in Health Sciences; 6.a.(20) Request for New Degree Program – Ph.D. in Computer Science.

Acting General Counsel Brady clarified that the motion included the amendment previously approved for agenda item 6.a.(2) which reads the following changes in the recommendation: effective February 15, 2018, provided that *the university will furnish* a fidelity bond in the amount of \$50 0,000 to be secured by the State of Illinois Department of Central Management Services.....”

Trustee Barsema so moved and Trustee LaGioia seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Items Directly from the President

Agenda Item 6.a.(1) Membership Changes to the Presidential Search Planning Committee - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(2) Appointment of Board Treasurer - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(3) Treasurer Operations- Signatory Authorization - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(4) DoIT Network Expansion - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(5) Request for Deletion of Specialization in Spanish - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(6) Request for Deletion of Degree Programs in German; and Spanish - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(7) Request for New Emphases in German Studies; and Spanish and Hispanic Studies - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(8) Request for Deletion of Emphases within German; and within Spanish- Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(9) Request for New Minor in World Languages and Cultures - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(10) Request for Deletion of Minors in Chinese Studies; French; German; Italian; Japanese Studies; Russian; and Spanish - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(11) Request for Deletion of Degree Programs in General Studies with the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(12) Request for Deletion of Specialization in Early Childhood Special Education - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(13) Request for New Minor in Special Education Foundations - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(14) Request for New Minors in Sport Management; and Sport Sales - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(15) Request for New Degree Program – B.S. in Sport Management - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(16) Request for New Minor in Social Change Leadership - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(17) Request for New Specialization in Clinical Mental Health Counseling; and in School Counseling - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(18) Request for New Degree Program – M.S. in Digital Marketing - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(19) Request for New Degree Program – M.S. in Health Sciences - Consent

Agenda Item 6.a.(20) Request for New Degree Program – Ph.D. in Computer Science - Consent

7. OTHER MATTERS

No other matters were discussed.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees is Thursday, March 8, 2017.

9. CLOSED SESSION

Chair Coleman asked for a motion to close the public meeting to conduct an executive session to discuss the following subjects authorized by the Illinois Open Meetings Act, as amended: personnel matters as generally described under sections 2(c)(1)(2)(3) and (21) of the Open Meetings Act; collective bargaining matters as generally described under section 2(c)(2) of the Open Meetings Act; litigation and risk management matters as generally described under sections 2(c)(11) and (12) of the Open Meetings Act; closed session minutes matters as generally described under section 2(c)(21) of the Open Meetings Act; student disciplinary cases, as generally described under section 2(c)(9) of the Open Meetings Act. Trustee Wasowicz so moved, seconded by Trustee LaGioia. A roll call vote of the Trustees to recess to closed session was as follows:

Trustee Robert Boey: Absent	Trustee John Butler: Yes
Trustee Veronica Herrero: Absent	Trustee Giuseppe LaGioia: Yes
Trustee Tim Struthers: Yes	Trustee Eric Wasowicz: Yes
Vice Chair Dennis Barsema: Yes	Board Chair Wheeler Coleman: Yes

The meeting is now closed and will re-open at the conclusion of the closed session. The Board adjourned for closed session at 2:21 p.m.

Reconvene Meeting:

The Board of Trustees of Northern Illinois University reconvened on February 15, 2018, at 5:59 p.m. Chair Coleman announced they were reconvening after the closed session and asked for a roll call.

Members present were Trustees Denise Barsema, John Butler, Giuseppe LaGioia, Tim Struthers, Wheeler Coleman. Members Trustee Robert Boey, Veronica Herrero, and Eric Wasowicz were absent.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Coleman asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Barsema so moved and Trustee Butler seconded. The motion was approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Carey
Recording Secretary

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