#### Minutes of the

# NIU Board of Trustees Of Northern Illinois University Special Meeting

August 16, 2018

## 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 12:24 p.m. by Board Chair Wheeler Coleman in the Board of Trustees Room, 315 Altgeld Hall. Recording Secretary Chelsea Duis conducted a roll call. Members present were Trustees Dennis Barsema, John Butler, Nathan Hays, Veronica Herrero, Bob Pritchard, Tim Struthers, Eric Wasowicz, and Wheeler Coleman.

Also present were Acting President Lisa Freeman; Board Liaison Matt Streb; Acting General Counsel Greg Brady; Acting Executive Vice President and Provost Chris McCord; Vice President for Administration and Finance Sarah McGill; Vice President for Outreach, Engagement, and Regional Development Anne Kaplan; and University Advisory Council (UAC) Representatives Therese Arado and Catherine Doederlein.

# 2. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM AND APPROPRIATE NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

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

#### 3. MEETING AGENDA APPROVAL

Chair Coleman called for a motion to approve the meeting agenda as proposed. Trustee Eric Wasowicz so moved and Trustee Dennis Barsema seconded. The motion was approved.

#### 4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 14, 2018 AND JULY 16, 2018

Chair Coleman called for a motion to approve the minutes of June 14, 2018. Trustee John Butler so moved and Trustee Tim Struthers seconded. The motion was approved.

Chair Coleman called for a motion to approve the minute of July 16, 2018. Trustee Dennis Barsema so moved and Trustee Veronica Herrero seconded. The motion was approved.

#### 5. CHAIR'S COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no chair comments or comments from UAC representatives.

# 6. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comment requests.

## 7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT 125

## Agenda Item 7.a. Chicago-Based Office Leases for the Education Systems Center

Acting President Freeman presented agenda item 7.a. The Finance, Audit, Compliance, Facilities and Operations Committee recommends Board of Trustees approval of the Chicago-Based Office Leases for the Education Systems Center. The Education Systems Center is in need of more space and the NIU Alumni Association has been leasing adjacent space that is underutilized and can meet the Center's needs. The additional space would raise the expense obligation from \$244,604 to approximately \$370,000. The lease modification would be in effect from September 1, 2018 to February 15, 2021.

Chair Coleman called for a motion to approve this agenda item. Trustee Veronica Herrero so moved and Trustee John Butler seconded. The motion was approved.

## 8. OTHER MATTERS

No other matters were discussed.

## 9. NEXT MEETING

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held on September 13, 2018.

#### 10. CLOSED SESSION

Chair Coleman called 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); Collective Bargaining Matters as generally described under Section 2(c)(2); Closed Session Minutes Matters as generally described under Section 2(c)(21) of the Open Meetings Act.

Trustee Eric Wasowicz so moved and Trustee John Butler seconded. A roll call vote of the Trustees to recess to Closed Session was as follows:

Trustee John Butler: Yes
Trustee Veronica Herrero: Yes
Trustee Tim Struthers: Yes
Trustee Trustee Bob Pritchard: Yes
Trustee 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 12:30 p.m.

# **Reconvene Meeting:**

The Board of Trustees of Northern Illinois University reconvened on August 16, 2018, at 3:22 p.m. Chair Coleman announced they were reconvening after the closed session and asked for a roll call. A roll call of the Trustees was as follows:

Vice Chair Dennis Barsema: Here
Trustee Nathan Hays: Here
Trustee Bob Pritchard: Here
Trustee Eric Wasowicz: Here
Trustee Board Chair Wheeler Coleman: Here

#### 11. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Coleman called for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Dennis Barsema so moved and Trustee John Butler seconded. The motion was approved. Meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chelsea Duis Recording Secretary

In compliance with Illinois Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/1, et seq, a verbatim record of all Northern Illinois University Board of Trustees meetings is maintained by the Board Recording Secretary and is available for review upon request. The minutes contained herein represent a true and accurate summary of the Board proceedings.