

Minutes of the
Board of Trustees of Northern Illinois University
Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, and Personnel
Committee Meeting
August 18, 2022

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Committee Chair Montel Gayles in the Board of Trustees Room, 315 Altgeld Hall.

Recording Secretary Mia Hannon conducted a roll call.

Trustee Rita Athas: Absent

Trustee Veronica Herrero: Absent

Trustee Dennis Barsema: Present

Trustee Bob Pritchard: Present

Committee Vice Chair John Butler: Absent

Trustee Tim Moore: Present

Committee Chair Montel Gayles: Present

Board Chair Eric Wasowicz: Present

Also present were President Lisa Freeman; Vice President and General Counsel and Board Parliamentarian Bryan Perry; Executive Vice President and Provost Beth Ingram; Vice President for Research and Innovation Partnerships Jerry Blazey; Vice President for Enrollment Management, Marketing and Communications Sol Jensen; Vice President for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and Chief Diversity Officer Vernese Edghill-Walden; Vice President for Student Affairs Clint-Michael Reneau; University Advisory Council Representatives Katy Jaekel and Holly Nicholson.

VERIFICATION OF QUORUM AND APPROPRIATE NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

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

SWEARING IN OF TRUSTEE TIM MOORE

Board Chair Wasowicz conducted the swearing in ceremony for the newly elected Student Trustee Tim Moore. Trustee Moore remarked that he was extremely excited for this opportunity, very grateful and wished everyone a great year.

Trustee Butler arrived at 8:32 a.m.

MEETING AGENDA APPROVAL

Committee Chair Gayles asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Trustee Barsema so moved, and Trustee Pritchard seconded. The motion was approved.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 12, 2022

Committee Chair Gayles asked for a motion to approve the minutes of May 12, 2022. Board Chair Wasowicz so moved, and Trustee Pritchard seconded. The motion was approved.

CHAIR'S COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee Chair Gayles welcomed those in attendance and provided a brief overview of the agenda. He also recognized the members of the University Advisory Committee. Ms. Holly Nicholson welcomed Trustee Moore and stated she was looking forward to working with him. Ms. Nicholson thanked Dr. Edghill-Walden for her work on shared equity leadership. Dr. Katy Jaekel welcomed and congratulated Trustee Moore, looking forward to a positive academic year, thanked everyone who helped with move-in and Week of Welcome. Thanked Dr. Clint-Michael Reneau for his leadership in the few short months since he started his appointment as NIU's Vice President for Student Affairs and finally congratulated the faculty on their Emeritus status.

Trustee Athas arrived at 8:38 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Committee Chair Gayles inquired to General Counsel Perry if any members of the public registered a request to address the board in accordance with state law and Board of Trustees bylaws. General Counsel Perry advised that no requests for public comment had been received.

UNIVERSITY RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee Chair Gayles asked Executive Vice President and Provost Beth Ingram to present the following university recommendations.

Agenda Item 8.a. Recommendations for Faculty Tenure and/or Promotion Effective 2022-2023

Committee Chair Gayles asked for a motion to approve item 8.a. Board Chair Wasowicz so moved, and Trustee Butler seconded.

Committee Chair Gayles opened the floor for discussion and then asked Ms. Hannon to conduct a roll call vote.

Trustee Rita Athas: Yes	Trustee Veronica Herrero: Absent
Trustee Dennis Barsema: Yes	Trustee Bob Pritchard: Yes
Committee Vice Chair John Butler: Yes	Trustee Tim Moore: Abstain
Committee Chair Montel Gayles: Yes	Board Chair Eric Wasowicz: Yes

The motion was approved.

UNIVERSITY REPORTS

Committee Chair Gayles asked Executive Vice President and Provost Beth Ingram to present the following informational item.

Agenda Item 9.a. Annual Listing of Changes Fiscal Year 2022

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Agenda Item 9.b. Dean of the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology and Chair, School of Nursing Search Update

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Agenda Item 9.c. 2021-2022 Faculty Emeritus Recognition

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Agenda Item 9.d. Shared Equity Leadership Update

Vice President for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and Chief Diversity Officer Vernese Edghill-Walden presented Agenda Item 9.d. Shared Equity Leadership Update.

Trustee Herrero arrived at 9:15 a.m.

OTHER MATTERS

Committee Chair Gayles asked if there were other matters. There were none.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, and Personnel Committee will be Thursday, November 10, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

Committee Chair Gayles asked for a motion to adjourn. Board Chair Wasowicz so moved, and Trustee Athas seconded.

Committee Chair Gayles asked Ms. Hannon to conduct a roll call vote.

Trustee Rita Athas: Yes

Trustee Veronica Herrero: Yes

Trustee Dennis Barsema: Yes

Trustee Bob Pritchard: Yes

Committee Vice Chair John Butler: Yes

Trustee Tim Moore: Yes

Committee Chair Montel Gayles: Yes

Board Chair Eric Wasowicz: Yes

The motion was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mia Hannon

Recording Secretary

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