

AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE  
UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT FORT SMITH  
VIA IN PERSON AND VIRTUALLY  
SMITH-PENDERGRAFT CAMPUS CENTER, REYNOLDS ROOM  
FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS  
12:30 P.M., NOVEMBER 15, 2023, AND 8:45 A.M., NOVEMBER 16, 2023

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Chairman Morril Harriman; Trustees Kelly Eichler; Tommy Boyer; Steve Cox; Ed Fryar, Ph.D.; Ted Dickey; Jeremy Wilson; Nate Todd and Kevin Crass.

TRUSTEE PRESENT VIA  
VIDEO CONFERENCE:

Trustee Sheffield Nelson.

UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATORS  
AND OTHERS PRESENT:

System Administration:

President Donald R. Bobbitt, General Counsel David Curran, Vice President for Agriculture Deacue Fields, Vice President for Academic Affairs Michael K. Moore, Vice President for University Relations and Chief of Staff Melissa Rust, Vice President for Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer Tara Smith, Associate Vice President for Finance Chandra Hall, Vice President for Planning and Development Chris Thomason, Associate Vice President for Benefits and Risk Management Services Steve Wood, Senior Director of Policy and Public Affairs Ben Beaumont, Director of Communications Nate Hinkel, Chief Audit Executive Laura Cheak, Chief Information Officer Steven Fulkerson, Assistant to the President Angela Hudson and Associate for Administration Sylvia White.

UAF Representatives:

Chancellor Charles F. Robinson; Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Terry Martin; Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Jeremy Battjes; Chief of Staff Laura Jacobs; Managing Associate General

Counsel Bill Kincaid, Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities Scott Turley and Deputy Athletic Director Clayton Hamilton.

UAMS Representatives:

Chancellor Cam Patterson; Senior Vice Chancellor for UAMS Health and Chief Executive Officer, UAMS Medical Center, Michelle Krause; Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer Amanda George; Vice Chancellor for Communications and Marketing Leslie Taylor; Vice Chancellor, Institutional Relations Andy Davis; Director of Institutional Research, Policy, and Accreditation Kristin Sterba; Vice Chancellor for Institutional Support Services and Chief Operating Officer Christina Clark; Vice Chancellor, Institutional Compliance, Mark Hagemeyer; Chief of Staff Michael Manley and Chair of Department of Family and Preventive Medicine Shashank Kraleti, M.D.

UALR Representatives:

Chancellor Christina Drale, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Jerry Ganz, Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost Ann Bain, Vice Chancellor of University Affairs Joni Lee; Vice Chancellor for University Advancement Christian O'Neal, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Cody Decker and Chief of Staff Alicia Dorn.

UAPB Representatives:

Chancellor Laurence B. Alexander; Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Carla Martin; Alumni Affairs / Government Relations John Kuykendall; Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management and Student Success Moses Goldman and Chief of Staff Janet Broiles.

UAM Representatives:

Chancellor Peggy Doss and Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Alex Becker.

UAFS Representatives:

Chancellor Terisa Riley, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Shadow Robinson, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Carey Tucker, Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management and Student Affairs Lee Krehbiel, Vice Chancellor for University Advancement Blake Rickman and Chief of Staff Jennifer King.

PCCUA Representatives:

Chancellor Keith Pinchback and Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Stan Sullivant.

UACCH-T Representatives:

Chancellor Christine Holt and Vice Chancellor for Academics Laura Clark.

UACCB Representative:

Chancellor Brian Shonk.

UACCM Representatives:

Chancellor Lisa G. Willenberg, Vice Chancellor for Academic Services Richard Counts, Vice Chancellor for Finance Jeff Mullen and Vice Chancellor for Student Services Darren Jones.

CCCUA Representative:

Chancellor Steve Cole.

UACCRM Representatives:

Chancellor Phillip Wilson and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Krystal Thrailkill.

UA – PTC Representatives:  
Chancellor Summer DeProw and Vice  
Chancellor of Academic Affairs/Provost Ana  
Hunt.

AAS Representative:  
Director Alec Barker.

CJI Representative:  
Director Cheryl May.

WRI Representative:  
Executive Director and CEO Janet Harris.

UAG Representative:  
Chancellor Lindsay Bridgeman.

Special Guest:  
UAFS SGA President Justin Dang.

Members of the Press.

Chairman Harriman called the regular session meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas to order at 12:49 p.m. on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, in the Smith-Pendergraft Campus Center, Reynolds Room, at the University of Arkansas at Fort Smith via in person and virtually.

Upon motion of Trustee Fryar and second by Trustee Cox, Chairman Harriman stated the Board would go into Executive Session for the purpose of considering appointments to the UAMS Medical and AHEC staffs and the Board of Visitor and Advisory Committees; the approval of salaries over line item maximum and nominees for honorary degrees; the granting of emeritus status; and the employment, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of public officers or employees for the various campuses of the University of Arkansas System.

1. Executive Session:

Chairman Harriman reconvened the Regular Session of the Board at 2:53 p.m. and called for action on the following matters discussed in Executive Session:

1.1 Approval of Salaries in Excess of the Line-Item Maximum, UAF:

Upon motion of Trustee Eichler, second by Trustee Fryar, the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the salaries, as set forth below, in excess of the line-item maximum established by law, are hereby approved for the following individuals at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, in accordance with Arkansas Code Annotated section 6-62-103:

Christopher Bader, Mental Health Clinician Effective retroactive to October 1, 2023	\$137,000
Ronnie Brewer Jr., Assistant Coach and Recruiting Coordinator Effective retroactive to October 1, 2023	\$133,333*
Jeff Edwards, Dean, Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences Effective January 1, 2024	\$300,000*
Todd Lee, Assistant Coach and Director of Scouting Effective retroactive to October 1, 2023	\$160,000*
Margaret McCabe, Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation Car Allowance One-time Merit Effective retroactive to October 1, 2023	\$335,000 \$12,000 \$6,133
Michael Musselman, Assistant Coach and Director of Basketball Operations Effective retroactive to October 1, 2023	\$198,000*
Anthony Ruta, Assistant Men's Basketball Coach Effective retroactive to October 1, 2023	\$251,333*
Nathan Thompson, Assistant Baseball Coach Effective retroactive to July 1, 2023	\$333,333*

*One-time Merit lump sums are not part of the base salaries. Maximum potential earnings include the maximum amount that could be paid due to summer/intersession teaching, extra comp or other allowances, including overtime for UA Police Department and Facilities Management employees due to number of annual events on campus, and \*post season compensation for Athletic Department coaches & staff.*

1.2 Approval of Initial Appointments, Six Month Reviews, Reappointments and Changes in Status and Privileges for Medical, Regional and Affiliated Health Professional Staff, UAMS:

Trustee Dickey moved that the requests for initial appointments, six-month reviews, reappointments and changes in status and privileges be approved; second was made by Trustee Eichler. The Board voted to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the following Initial Appointments, Six Month Reviews, Reappointments and Requests for Changes in Status and Privileges for Medical, Regional and Affiliated Health Professional Staff are hereby approved:

Initial Appointments-Medical Staff

AGBOR, Michael, CRNA .....CRNA  
ALEXANDER, Ann-Marie, PA .....Emergency Medicine/Physician Assistant  
Supervising Physician: Joseph Watkins, MD  
ARNOLD, Maeghan, CNP .....Neurosciences/Adult-Gero AC NP  
Collaborating Physician: Rohit Dhall, MD  
BAUER, Thurston, MD ..... Cardiovascular/Thoracic & Cardiac Surgery  
BEASLEY, Rodney, MD..... Neurosciences/Critical Care Medicine  
BERGER, Ines, MD.....Pain Medicine  
CALAWAY, Shalyn, CNM..... Womens & Infants/Certified Nurse Midwife  
Collaborative Physician: Nirvana Manning, MD  
CARLISLE, David, CRNA.....CRNA  
CHARTON, Heidi, CRNA .....CRNA  
COOPER, Kasa, MD ..... Surgical Specialties/Orthopaedic Surgery  
CRONE, Robert, MD.....Anesthesiology  
DANIEL, Lindsay, CRNA.....CRNA  
EFENDIZADE, Aslan, DO.....Diagnostic Radiology  
HANKINS, Shannon, CNP.....Surgical Specialties/Adult Gero AC NP  
Collaborative Physician: Timothy Langford, MD  
HARIDAS, Aarop, MD ..... Integrated Medicine/Rheumatology  
HILL, Jeffrey, MD .....Musculoskeletal/Orthopaedic Surgery  
HILL, Steven, CRNA.....CRNA  
HOLLENBERG, Sophie, MD ..... Musculoskeletal/Surgery of the Hand  
HOOTEN, John, CRNA.....CRNA  
JONES, Kiley, MD..... Behavioral Health/Child & Adolescent Psychiatry  
KASPER, Kenneth, MD .....Anesthesiology  
LAND, Elizabeth, CNP.....Musculoskeletal/Adult-Gero AC NP  
Collaborating Physician: Simon Mears, MD  
LOVELESS, Erika, CRNA.....CRNA  
MATAPATHI, Uma, MD.....Pediatric Radiology

MULLINAX, Lyndi, CNP ..... Womens & Infants/Family NP  
Collaborating Physician: Nirvana Manning, MD  
OLIVIER, Jennifer, CNP ..... Neurosciences/Adult-Gero PC NP  
Collaborating Physician: Robert Archer, MD  
PALADINO, Chasedanee, CNP ..... Cardiovascular/Adult-Gero AC NP  
Collaborative Physician: Kalaivani Sivakumar, MD  
POLICHERLA, Anu, CNP ..... Neurosciences/Adult-Gero AC NP  
Collaborative Physician: Rohit Dhall, MD  
SETHAPATI, Venkata, MD ..... Lab\_Path/Blood Banking-Transfusion Medicine  
SHAH, Sumit, MD ..... Diagnostic Radiology  
SMITH, Jimmy, CRNA ..... CRNA  
STREBECK, Ryan, MD ..... Womens & Infants/OB/GYN  
STREITMAN, John, MD ..... Cardiovascular/Thoracic & Cardiac Surgery  
USCHMANN, Hartmut, MD ..... Neurosciences/Neurocritical Care  
WOODS, Pamela, CNP .....  
Collaborating Physician: Michael Birrer, MD  
YADALA, Vivek, MD ..... Cancer/Internal Medicine  
ZULQARNAIN, Muhammad, MD ..... Cardiovascular/Interventional Cardiology

Reappointments-Medical Staff

ABUABDOU, Ahmed, MD ..... Integrated Medicine/Internal Medicine  
ALBERT, Gregory, MD ..... Neurosciences/Neurological Surgery  
ALLARD, Felicia, MD ..... Lab\_Path/Cytopathology  
ATIQ, Omar, MD ..... Cancer/Medical Oncology  
BAKDASH, Tarek, MD ..... Neurosciences/Clinical Neurophysiology  
BALAMURUGAN, Appathurai, MD Primary Care & Population Health/Family Medicine  
BELL, Brian, MD ..... Cancer/Hospice & Palliative Medicine  
BLACK, Natalie, CNP ..... Cancer/AC NP  
Collaborating Physician: Frits Van Rhee, MD  
BOYANTON, Bobby, MD ..... Lab\_Path/Molecular Genetic Pathology  
BOYER, Maranda, CRNA ..... CRNA  
BRACEY, John, MD ..... Musculoskeletal/Surgery of the Hand  
BRUCE, Diane, CNP ..... Emergency Medicine /Adult-Gero AC NP  
Collaborating Physician: Joseph Watkins, MD  
CARTER, Dale, MD ..... Neurosciences/Neurology  
CLOW, Lauren, CRNA ..... CRNA  
DAY, Haylie, CNP ..... Neurosciences/Family NP  
Collaborating Physician: Robert Archer, MD  
EASTIN, Carly, MD ..... Emergency Medicine/Emergency Medicine  
EASTIN, Travis, MD ..... Emergency Medicine/Emergency Medicine  
FERRERO CAICEDO, Monica, MD Primary Care & Population Health/Family Medicine  
FILIP, Ari, MD ..... Emergency Medicine/Medical Toxicology

GARNER, Mina, CNP ..... Primary Care & Population Health/Family NP  
Collaborating Physician: Yasthil Jaganath, MD

GEE, Chance, PA ..... Primary Care & Pop Health/Physician Assistant  
Supervising Physician: Geetababen Sakariya, MD

GOFF, Tina, CRNA ..... CRNA

GONZALEZ-KRELLWITZ, Laura, MD ..... Lab\_Path/Pathology-Pediatric

HENSKKE, Joseph, MD ..... Integrated Medicine/Endocrinology

HOLT, Matthew, PA ..... Musculoskeletal/Physician Assistant  
Supervising Physician: Robert Martin, MD

JACEK, Holly, CRNA ..... CRNA

JONES, Brittney, CRNA ..... CRNA

KALKWARF, Shannon, CNP ..... Womens & Infants/Family NP  
Collaborating Physician: Nirvana Manning, MD

KARAKALA, Nithin, MD ..... Integrated Medicine/Nephrology

KAZEMI, Noojan, MD ..... Neurosciences/Neurological Surgery

KIMBROUGH, Mary, MD ..... Surgical Specialties/Surgical Critical Care

KOVVURU, Sukanthi, MD ..... Neurosciences/Neuromuscular Medicine

LAMBERTSEN, Molly, MD ..... Behavioral Health/Child & Adolescent Psychology

LOUDERMILK, Victoria, CNP ..... Cancer/Adult-Gero PC NP  
Collaborating Physician: Michael Birrer, MD

LOWRY, Michael, MD ..... Integrated Medicine/Infectious Disease

MARABOYINA, Sanjay, MD ..... Cancer/Radiation Oncology

MCNEILL, Julia, CRNA ..... CRNA

MHYRE, Jill, MD ..... Anesthesiology

MICHAEL, Janna, CNP ..... Womens & Infants/Womens HC NP  
Collaborating Physician: Mary Racher, MD

MILLER, Krystine, CNP ..... Digital Health/FNP  
Collaborative Physician: Riley Lipschitz, MD

MOUNSEY, John, MD ..... Cardiovascular/Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology

OVERSTREET, Hunter, CNP ..... Cancer/Family NP  
Collaborating Physician: Aaron Hunter, MD

PALYS, Viktoras, MD ..... Neurosciences/Neurological Surgery

PATIL, Naveen, MD ..... Integrated Medicine/Infectious Disease

PATTERSON, Kristine, MD ..... Integrated Medicine/Infectious Disease

PERET, Carmen, CNP ..... Adult-Gero AC NP  
Collaborating Physician: Danny Wilkerson, MD

PRIVRATSKY, Anna, DO ..... Surgical Specialties/Surgical Critical Care

RAWN, Mary, CNP ..... Adult-Gero AC NP  
Collaborating Physician: Danny Wilkerson, MD

RENARD, Regis, MD ..... Surgical Specialties/Orthopaedic Surgery

RILEY, Julie, MD ..... Surgical Specialties/Urology

ROSENBAUM, Thea, MD ..... Anesthesiology

SNEAD, Gregory, MD ..... Emergency Medicine/Emergency Medicine

SOLVERSON, Matthew MD ..... Cancer Otolaryngology  
Reappointing to Reinstatement  
ST. CLAIR, Kevin, MD ..... Integrated Medicine/Micrographic Dermatology  
TELLEZ-AVILA, Felix, MD ..... Surgical Specialties/Gastroenterology  
WOLTER, Keith, MD ..... Surgical Specialties/Plastic Surgery  
WYATT, David, DO ..... Cancer/Hospice & Palliative Medicine  
YEE, Eric, MD ..... Lab\_Path/Pathology-Anatomic/Pathology-Clinical  
YOUNG, Rachel, CNP ..... Adult-Gero AC NP  
Collaborating Physician: Danny Wilkerson, MD

Six Month Review-Medical Staff

ABDALRAHMAN, Akrm, MD ..... Anesthesiology  
AHARONIAN, Artin, MD ..... Diagnostic Radiology  
BOWNDS, Shannon, MD ..... Neuroradiology  
BURNS, Jason, DO ..... Diagnostic Radiology  
CHEN, Anna, MD ..... Neurosciences/Clinical Neurophysiology  
COLEMAN, Rebecca, CNP ..... Cardiovascular/Adult-Gero AC NP  
DEAS, Steven, MD ..... Integrated Medicine/Pulmonary Disease  
FRENCHER, James, MD ..... Diagnostic Radiology  
GUPTA, Khushboo, MD ..... Nuclear Medicine  
HOBART, Edward, MD ..... Diagnostic Radiology  
HOTCHKISS, John, MD ..... Diagnostic Radiology  
HWANG, Janice., MD ..... Diagnostic Radiology  
JACKSON, Shakeyah, CNP ..... Surgical Specialties/Family NP  
JEAN-BAPTISTE, Ryan., MD ..... Interventional & Diagnostic Radiology  
KAPLAN, Ryan, MD ..... Neurosciences/Neurology  
KLEIN, Michael, MD ..... Neuroradiology  
KNIGHT, Morgan, MD ..... Womens & Infants/OB/GYN  
LORENTS, Evelyn, MD ..... Diagnostic Radiology  
LOTAN, Roi, MD ..... Diagnostic Radiology  
LUCCHESI, Archana, MD ..... Neuroradiology  
MARTIN, Andrew, MD ..... Interventional & Diagnostic Radiology  
MCCOY, Justin, MD ..... Diagnostic Radiology  
MOORE, Brendan, MD ..... Emergency Medicine/Emergency Medicine  
MORNEAU, Leonard, MD ..... Diagnostic Radiology  
MWENDA, Anne, CNP ..... Neurosciences/Adult Gero PC NP  
NAWAZ, Safia, MD ..... Integrated Medicine/Allergy & Immunology  
OBEMBE, Olufolajimi, MD ..... Diagnostic Radiology  
PATEL, Kumar, PA ..... Surgical Specialties/Physician Assistant  
RIAD, Shareef, MD ..... Diagnostic Radiology  
SABADO, Jeremiah, MD ..... Pediatric Radiology  
SPILLMAN, Monique, MD ..... Cancer/Gynecologic Oncology  
SRIVASTAVA, Rajesh, MD ..... Anesthesiology

THALKEN, Gregory, MD .....Diagnostic Radiology  
THOMSON, Matthew, MD ..... Interventional & Diagnostic Radiology  
YAMAMOTO, Shota, MD .....Diagnostic Radiology  
YUH, Theresa, MD .....Diagnostic Radiology

Initial Appointments-Affiliated Health

BULL, Chelsey, PhD ..... Behavioral Health/Psychology  
Sponsoring Physician: Christopher Cargile, MD  
KRAUSS, Whitney, RDA..... Surgical Specialties/Registered Dental Assistant  
Supervising Physician: Ashley McMillan, DDS  
KUENNING, Wayne, EMSP..... Emergency Medicine/Paramedic  
Supervising Physician: Randy Maddox, MD

Reappointments-Affiliated Health

BAILEY, Lester, EMSP..... Emergency Medicine/Paramedic  
Supervising Physician: Randy Maddox, MD  
BROWN, Kathryn, OD ..... Ophthalmology/Optomety  
Sponsoring Physician: Paul Phillips, MD

Six Month Review-Affiliated Health

OWENS-HUGHES, Carlos, EMSP..... Emergency Medicine/Paramedic

Initial Appointment-Regional Staff

ACOSTA, Megan PT ..... Musculoskeletal/Physical Therapy  
ANDERSON, Marlee, PT ..... Musculoskeletal/Physical Therapist  
ATKINSON, Christian, PT ..... Musculoskeletal/Physical Therapist  
BROWN, Jamie, SLP ..... Speech Language Pathologist  
CALDWELL, Destinee, PT ..... Musculoskeletal/Physical Therapist  
KAPTIS, Logan, PT ..... Musculoskeletal/Physical Therapy  
OLIVER, Emily, OT ..... Occupational Therapist  
PRICE, Emily, LPC ..... Behavioral Health/Licensed Counselor  
PROBST, Nathan, MD..... Primary Care & Pop Health/Family Medicine  
SANDERS, Gracyn, LPC ..... Behavioral Health/Licensed Counselor  
SMITH, Allison, PhD ..... Behavioral Health/Psychology  
SYMONS, Daniel, PT ..... Musculoskeletal/Physical Therapy  
WARDLAW, Ashley, LCSW..... Behavioral Health/LCSW  
WITT, Jessica, AuD ..... Surgical Specialties/AuD

Six Month Review-Regional Staff

LAWSON, Samantha, PA..... Primary Care & Pop Health/Physician Assistant  
MCALLISTER, Kristen, LCSW ..... Behavioral Health/Licensed Social Worker  
WILLIAMS, Edward, PA ..... Primary Care & Pop Health/Physician Assistant

Reappointments-Regional Staff

CHALUPKA, Stacie, LCSW ..... Behavioral Health/Licensed Social Worker  
COX, Wesley, MD ..... Musculoskeletal/Orthopaedic Surgery  
GIARDINA, Pamela, LCSW ..... Behavioral Health/Licensed Social Worker  
GILLIS, Lindsey, SLP ..... Speech-Language Pathology  
MCNAMARA, Timothy, MD ..... Primary Care & Population Health/Family Medicine  
SCHERER, Alissa, CNP ..... Primary Care and Population Health/Family NP  
Collaborating Physician: Ronald Brimberry, MD  
SONGY, Chad, MD ..... Musculoskeletal/Orthopaedic Surgery  
TILLEY, Hannah, LCSW ..... Behavioral Health/Licensed Social Worker  
WISNIEWSKI, Amy, SLP ..... Speech-Language Pathology  
YLANAN, Ramon, MD ..... Musculoskeletal/Sports Medicine

Requested Change in Staff Status

KOTA, Vinisha, MD ..... Integrated Medicine/Rheumatology  
Requesting to change from Courtesy Staff to Active Staff  
LIPSCHITZ, Riley, MD ..... Primary Care & Population Health/Internal Medicine  
Requesting to change from Active Staff to Courtesy Staff  
SMITH, Charles, MD ..... Primary Care & Pop Health/Family Medicine  
Requesting to change from Active Staff to Courtesy Staff  
STAMBOUGH, Jeffrey, MD ..... Musculoskeletal/Orthopaedic Surgery  
Requesting to change from Courtesy Staff to Active Staff  
TRANA, Carol, PA ..... Primary Care & Pop Health/Physician Assistant  
Supervising Physician: Thomas Burrow, MD  
Requesting to change from Active Staff to Courtesy Staff

Requested Change in Privileges

BRADY, Kelsey, CNP ..... Surgical Specialties/Adult-Gero AC NP  
Collaborating Physician: James Yuen, MD  
Requesting to transfer from the Integrated Medicine Service Line to the Surgical  
Specialties Service Line with a change in privileges from APRN Critical Care  
Privileges to APRN Plastic Surgery Privileges  
BRUCE, Nolan, MD ..... Surgical Specialties/Surgical Critical Care  
Requesting to add Critical Care Privileges  
Requesting to add Robotic Surgery Privileges  
CARRINGTON, Patrick, MD ..... Integrated Medicine/Dermatology  
Requesting to add Laser Privileges  
CLARDY, Michael, CNP ..... Cardiovascular/Adult-Gero AC NP  
Collaborating Physician: Dustin Rumpel, MD  
Requesting to add Arterial Line Placement, CVL Placement, Chest Tube Placement,  
Chest Tube Removal, and ACLS Initiation Privileges  
DUNN, Laura, MD ..... Behavioral Health/Psychiatry  
Requesting to add ECT Privileges

- GREER, Jordan, MD.....Surgical Specialties/Surgical Critical Care  
Requesting to add Critical Care Privileges
- GUDZ, Oleksiy, MD.....Surgical Specialties/Vascular Surgery  
Requesting to add Management of Benign and Malignant Small and Large Bowel  
Conditions Privileges
- HALAL, Ahmed, MD..... Cardiovascular/Thoracic & Cardiac Surgery  
Requesting to add TAVR Privileges
- KALKWARF, Kyle, MD.....Surgical Specialties/Surgical Critical Care  
Requesting to add Critical Care Privileges
- KIMBROUGH, Mary, MD.....Surgical Specialties/Surgical Critical Care  
Requesting to add Critical Care Privileges
- LANGFORD, Brian, MD ..... Surgical Specialties/Urology  
Requesting to add KTP/Argon Laser Privileges
- MARGOLICK, Joseph, MD .....Surgical Specialties/Surgical Critical Care  
Requesting to add Robotic Surgery Privileges  
Requesting to add Critical Care and Fluoroscopy Privileges
- MOURSI, Mohammed, MD .....Surgical Specialties/Vascular Surgery  
Requesting to add Management of Benign and Malignant Small and Large Bowel  
Conditions Privileges
- PRIVRATSKY, Anna, MD .....Surgical Specialties/Surgical Critical Care  
Requesting to add Critical Care Privileges
- RAMDON, Andre, MD .....Surgical Specialties/Vascular Surgery  
Requesting to add Management of Benign and Malignant Small and Large Bowel  
Conditions Privileges
- ROBERTS, Matthew, MD .....Surgical Specialties/Surgical Critical Care  
Requesting to add Critical Care and Fluoroscopy Privileges
- RODRIGUEZ, Rafael, PA .....Integrated Medicine/Physician Assistant  
Supervising Physician: Nithin Karakala, MD  
Requesting to transfer from the Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine Section to the  
Nephrology Section and requesting to add Hospital Rounds, Drain, CVL and PICC  
Line Removal Privileges.
- TANNER, Kimberly, CNP ..... Digital Health/Family NP  
Collaborating Physician: Caleb Guthrey, MD  
Requesting to add Face to Face visits for Pre-Surgical Optimization Privileges

1.3 Approval of the Reappointment of Jeremy Sparks and Appointments of Heath Moncrief and Alan Riels to the Board of Visitors, UAM:

Upon motion by Trustee Boyer and second by Trustee Dickey, the following resolution was approved:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT Jeremy Sparks, Heath Moncrief and Alan Riels are hereby

appointed to the Board of Visitors of the University of Arkansas at Monticello for four-year terms expiring December 31, 2027.

1.4 Approval of Appointment of Rebecca Shiver to the UAM College of Technology – Crossett Advisory Board, UAM:

Upon motion by Trustee Crass and second by Trustee Eichler, the following resolution was approved:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the following member is appointed to the UAM College of Technology – Crossett Advisory Board: Ms. Rebecca Shiver.

1.5 Approval of Nominees for Honorary Degrees, UAPB:

Upon motion of Trustee Cox and second by Trustee Dickey, the nominees recommended to receive an honorary degree from the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff at the December 2023 commencement were approved. The names of the nominees will not be made public until after the individuals have been contacted and agree to accept the degree.

1.6 Approval of the Appointment of Rex Dollar to the Board of Visitors, UACCRM:

Upon motion of Trustee Cox and second by Trustee Dickey, the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT Mr. Rex Dollar is hereby appointed to membership on the Board of Visitors of the University of Arkansas Community College Rich Mountain for a term expiring December 31, 2029.

1.7 Approval of the Reappointment of Bruce Bartley to the Winthrop Rockefeller Distinguished Lectures Advisory Committee, UASYS:

Upon motion of Trustee Dickey and second by Trustee Crass, the following resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the appointment of the following individual to serve on the Winthrop Rockefeller Distinguished Lectures Advisory Committee for the term indicated is hereby approved: Mr. Bruce Bartley, Public Member, Term Expires June 30, 2029.

1.8 Approval of the Granting of Emeritus Status, UASYS:

Upon motion of Trustee Dickey and second by Trustee Crass, the Board approved the following individuals to receive emeritus status:

Emeritus Resolution for Dr. Dennis W. Brewer, UAF

WHEREAS, Dr. Dennis W. Brewer, Professor of Mathematical Sciences in the J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, retired May 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brewer earned a B.A. in mathematics from the Sterling College, and an M.S. and Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brewer joined the University of Arkansas in 1975 as an Assistant Professor, was promoted to Associate Professor in 1982, and promoted to Professor in 1990; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brewer enjoyed an impressive career in the field of mathematics, spent 48 years teaching and conducting research in the University setting, and provided service to the Department, University and his profession; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brewer served as Chair of the Department of Computer Science, Associate Head of the Department of Computer Science and Computer Engineering, Associate Vice Provost for Research and Economic Development, Director of Research and Sponsored Programs, Associate Vice Chancellor for Information Technology and Director of Information Technology Services, and Vice Chair of the Department of Mathematical Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brewer is a respected colleague and a beloved teacher held in the highest regard by his peers and students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board bestows upon Dr. Brewer the title of Professor Emeritus of Mathematical Sciences, effective November 15, 2023, and grants him certain rights and privileges as extended to emeritus faculty by the Fayetteville campus and the University of Arkansas System.

FURTHERMORE, the Board directs that this resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and a copy shall be provided to Dr. Brewer.

Emeritus Resolution for Dr. William Etges, UAF

WHEREAS, Dr. William Etges, Professor of Biological Sciences in the J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, retired June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Etges joined the University of Arkansas faculty in 1987 as an Assistant Professor and was promoted to Associate Professor in 1993 and Professor in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Etges holds a B.S. from North Carolina State University, an M.S. degree from the University of Georgia, and a Ph.D. from the University of Rochester; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Etges also held Visiting Fellow appointments at Cambridge University and Wolfson College; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Etges gave 36 years of service to the University and taught a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate courses including Evolutionary Biology, Field Biology, and Principles of Evolution; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Etges has been honored as a University of Arkansas Outstanding Mentor, received over \$2.5 million in research awards, served as an Academic and Associate Editor for peer-reviewed journals, authored one book and over 83 peer-reviewed articles, and presented at 35 invited seminars and 19 invited symposia and meetings; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Etges is a respected colleague and a successful teacher to many undergraduate and graduate students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board bestows upon Dr. William Etges the title of Professor Emeritus of Biological Sciences, effective November 15, 2023, and grants him certain rights and privileges as extended to emeritus faculty by the Fayetteville campus and the University of Arkansas System.

FURTHERMORE, the Board directs that this resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy shall be provided to Dr. Etges.

Emeritus Resolution for Dr. Chaim Goodman-Strauss, UAF

WHEREAS, Dr. Chaim Goodman-Strauss, Professor of Mathematical Sciences in the J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, retired June 26, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Strauss earned a B.S. and Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of Texas at Austin; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Strauss joined the University of Arkansas in 1994 as an Assistant Professor, was promoted to Associate Professor in 2000, and promoted to Professor in 2006; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Strauss has enjoyed an impressive career in the field of mathematics, spending 29 years teaching and conducting research in the University setting, and providing service to the Department, University and his profession; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Strauss served as Chair of the Department of Mathematical Sciences from 2008 to 2015; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Strauss is recognized as an international leader in the field of Discrete Geometry, making fundamental and extensive contributions to this field; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Strauss is a respected colleague and a beloved teacher held in the highest regard by his peers and students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board bestows upon Dr. Goodman-Strauss the title of Professor Emeritus of Mathematical Sciences, effective November 15, 2023, and grants him certain rights and privileges as extended to emeritus faculty by the Fayetteville campus and the University of Arkansas System.

FURTHERMORE, the Board directs that this resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and a copy shall be provided to Dr. Goodman-Strauss.

Emeritus Resolution for Dr. Ronda M. Mains, UAF

WHEREAS, Dr. Ronda M. Mains, Professor of Music in the J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, retired June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mains joined the University of Arkansas faculty in 1987 as a Visiting Assistant Professor, then in 1989 as an Assistant Professor, was promoted to Associate Professor in 1996, and to Professor in 2002; and, Dr. Mains served as Associate Departmental Chairperson for 10 years, from 1998-2008, and as Departmental Chairperson for 14.5 years, from 2008 - 2022; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mains holds B.A and M.A. degrees from Boise State University and a D.M.A. from the University of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mains gave 36 years of service to the university and taught a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate courses in Flute Performance, Chamber Music, Woodwind Quintet, Marching Band, and University Perspectives; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mains has been honored with numerous teaching awards and research awards, including the designation of Master Teacher by the J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences and the University of Arkansas Alumni Award for Teaching, served on numerous commissions and committees, appeared as a presenter/panelist over 16 times, authored or co-authored over 8 publications; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mains has enjoyed an impressive professorial career in the field of music, engaged in teaching graduate and undergraduate students, conducting research, and providing leadership to both the institution and the profession to include the implementation of the university's Graduate Certificate and Master of Music programs in Black Sacred Music, coursework in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Music Industry, and the anticipated 2024 launch of the university's first Doctor of Musical Arts degree.

WHEREAS, Dr. Mains is a respected colleague and admired teacher held in high regard by her peers and students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board bestows upon Dr. Ronda M. Mains the title of Professor Emeritus of Music, effective November 15, 2023, and grants her certain rights and privileges as extended to emeritus faculty by the Fayetteville campus and the University of Arkansas System.

FURTHERMORE, the Board directs that this resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy shall be provided to Dr. Mains.

Emeritus Resolution for Dr. Frank Simmen, UAMS

WHEREAS, Professor Frank A. Simmen, Ph.D., has retired as a member of the faculty of the Department of Physiology and Cell Biology at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences as of January 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Frank A. Simmen, Ph.D., has served the Department of Physiology and Cell Biology and the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences with distinction for nearly 22 years; and

WHEREAS, Frank A. Simmen, Ph.D., has contributed impactfully in the areas of research, education, mentoring, service, and administration; and during his academic career as a faculty member spanning more than 38 years at three different major universities (The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, The University of Florida, The Ohio State University) has led a productive and consistently funded laboratory; and has made seminal contributions to the fields of peptide growth factors

in development, and nutritional and obesity influences on cancer biology; and has mentored/co-mentored greater than 130 postdoctoral fellows, graduate students, undergraduates, faculty members, and staff; and his laboratory's work has resulted in 166 publications, book chapters and proceedings, and which have been highly cited by others; and

WHEREAS, Frank A. Simmen, Ph.D., is recognized locally, nationally, and internationally in the specialties of Endocrinology, Cancer Biology, and Nutritional Physiology; and

WHEREAS, Frank A. Simmen, Ph.D., has served the Department of Physiology and Cell Biology and the University as a member or chair of numerous campus committees including Director of the Cellular Physiology and Molecular Biophysics Graduate Program, founding Director of the Cell Biology and Physiology Track of the GPIBS Program, member of the UAMS Graduate Council, founding co-director/co-organizer of the GI & Nutrition Module for second year medical students, chair or member of various faculty search committees, and many other educational and administrative activities; and

WHEREAS, Frank A. Simmen, Ph.D., has shown the highest integrity and leadership, and his continued support and constant vigilance of quality has improved the status of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences and the education of medical and graduate students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board expresses its appreciation to Professor Frank A. Simmen, Ph.D., for his many contributions to the progress and development of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences and confers upon him the title of Professor Emeritus of the Department of Physiology and Cell Biology effective January 1, 2024. The Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to Frank A. Simmen, Ph.D., with the Board's deepest gratitude.

Emeritus Resolution for Dr. Rosalia Simmen, UAMS

WHEREAS, Professor Rosalia C.M. Simmen, Ph.D., has retired as a member of the faculty of the Department of Physiology and Cell Biology at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences as of January 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Simmen has served the Department of Physiology and Cell Biology and the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences with distinction for nearly 22 years; and

WHEREAS, Rosalia C.M. Simmen, Ph.D., has contributed significantly in the areas of research, graduate education, and medical education; and during her tenure as an academic faculty at three different universities for a total of 38 years (UAMS, the

University of Florida and The Ohio State University) has lead a productive, consistently funded, and nationally and internationally recognized research program on women's reproductive health, infertility, and cancers; has mentored over 120 students, postdoctoral fellows, junior and sabbatical faculty; has authored greater than 190 peer-reviewed manuscripts and invited book chapters; and has provided leadership and service in many professional societies, national and international competitive grant review panels, and Editorial Boards; and

WHEREAS, Rosalia C.M. Simmen, Ph.D., is recognized locally, nationally and internationally by organizations in the specialties of Molecular Endocrinology, Cancer Biology, and Nutrition; and

WHEREAS, Rosalia C.M. Simmen, Ph.D., has served the Department and the University as an active member of many campus committees including as Director, Cell Biology & Physiology Track, Graduate Program in Interdisciplinary Biomedical Sciences; Vice-Chair of Education, the Department of Physiology and Cell Biology; UAMS College of Medicine MD/PhD Selection Committee; UAMS Summer Undergraduate Research Program Advisory Committee for Maximizing Student Diversity; UAMS Distinguished Faculty Scholar/Dean's Lecture Selection Committee; UAMS Graduate Council; and UAMS Women's Faculty Development Caucus; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Simmen has shown the highest integrity and leadership, and her continued support and constant vigilance of quality has continued to improve the status of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences and the education of both medical students and graduate students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board expresses its appreciation to Professor Rosalia C.M. Simmen, Ph.D., for her many contributions to the progress and development of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences and confers upon her the title of Professor Emeritus of the Department of Physiology and Cell Biology effective January 1, 2024. The Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to Dr. Simmen with the Board's deepest gratitude.

2. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held September 14-15, 2023:

Upon motion by Trustee Fryar and second by Trustee Eichler, the minutes of the regular meeting held September 14-15, 2023, were approved.

Chairman Harriman called on Trustee Nelson to convene the Joint Hospital Committee meeting at 2:53 p.m., called on Trustee Wilson to convene the Audit and Fiscal Responsibility Committee at 3:58 p.m., called on Trustee Fryar to convene the Academic and Student Affairs Committee at

4:21 p.m. and called on Trustee Dickey to convene the Buildings and Grounds Committee at 4:27 p.m. The Board meeting adjourned at 4:54 p.m. until the next morning.

On Thursday, November 16, 2023, Chairman Harriman reconvened the meeting calling on Trustee Cox to convene the Agriculture Committee at 8:45 a.m. Chairman Harriman reconvened the regular session of the Board at 9:09 a.m.

3. Report on University Hospital-Board of Trustees Joint Committee Meeting Held November 15, 2023:

Trustee Nelson reported that the University Hospital-Board of Trustees Joint Committee met on November 15, 2023, and moved that the actions of the Committee, which included approval of the minutes of the meeting held September 14, 2023, be approved by the Board. Upon motion of Trustee Nelson and second by Trustee Dickey, the following committee items were reported on and approved by the full Board:

3.1 Approval of the Safety Management and Emergency Preparedness Report, UAMS:

Dr. Michelle Krause presented the UAMS Safety Management Report for July through September 2023 and the Emergency Preparedness Report from September through October 2023.

3.2 Review of the Quality, Experience and Safety Report, UAMS:

Dr. Michelle Krause reviewed the UAMS Quality, Experience and Safety Report through November 2023.

3.3 Review of the Primary Care & Regional Programs, UAMS:

Chair of the Department of Family and Preventive Medicine Shashank Kraleti, MD, provided an update on UAMS Primary Care and Regional Programs.

3.4 Review of Performance for the Period Ended October 31, 2023, UAMS:

Chancellor Cam Patterson MD and Vice Chancellor for Finance and Chief Financial Officer Amanda George discussed UAMS's overall financial results for the month of October and the expected performance over the next six months.

3.5 Review of Clinical Enterprise Key Indicators, UAMS:

Ms. Amanda George reviewed UAMS Integrated Clinical Enterprise Key Indicators for the period ending September 30, 2023.

3.6 Chief Executive Officer's Update, UAMS:

Dr. Michelle Krause provided a facility update on the Proton Center and UAMS Baptist Health Cancer Center. UAMS Magnet application will be submitted in February 2024. The College of Medicine received reaccreditation from The Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME), an accrediting body for educational programs at schools of medicine in the United States and Canada.

4. Report on Audit and Fiscal Responsibility Committee Meeting Held November 15, 2023:

Audit and Fiscal Responsibility Committee Chair Wilson reported on the meeting held November 15, 2023, which included approval of the minutes of the meeting held September 14, 2023. Upon motion by Trustee Wilson and second by Trustee Fryar, the following committee items were reported on and approved by the full Board:

4.1 Approval of FORVIS' Report to Those Charged with Governance and the External Audit Report on the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2023:

The committee reviewed and approved FORVIS' Report to Those Charged with Governance and the External Audit Report on the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2023.

4.2 Approval of Fiscal Year 2024 Audit Plan Update Report:

The Fiscal Year 2024 Audit Plan Update Report was reviewed and approved. The update included the Audit Plan Update, the Strategic Audit Risk Assessment Report, Internal Audit Reports completed since the last meeting, the Follow-Up Report on Prior Audits, and a Listing of External Audit Reports Received and Reviewed during Fiscal Year 2024, with unmodified opinions and no material internal control or compliance findings.

4.3 Update on Losses Identified through the Internal Audit Process:

The committee reviewed the Loss Tracking Report Schedule which shows audit reports presented to the Committee with a loss identified during the past year as well as any reported losses where the case is still active, and a final resolution has not been determined.

4.4 Other Business:

Copies of the Landmark PLC Engagement Letter for the NCAA Agreed-Upon Procedures Reviews engagements of the University's three Division I programs for the

year ended June 30, 2023, and the Arkansas Legislative Audit Engagement Letter for the audit of the University of Arkansas System financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2023, were provided to the committee for review.

5. Report on Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Held November 15, 2023:

Chair Fryar reported that the Academic and Student Affairs Committee met on November 15, 2023. He moved that the actions of the Committee be approved by the Board; Trustee Eichler seconded the motion, and the following resolutions were adopted:

5.1 Approval to add New Programs, UACCRM:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board hereby approves the new academic degree proposals set forth below:

University of Arkansas Community College at Rich Mountain

- Technical Certificate in Paramedic
- Technical Certificate in Automotive/Diesel Mechanics
- Certificates of Proficiency in Automotive/Diesel Mechanics

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT if enrollment and budget goals have not been met upon evaluation of the programs after five years the programs will be discontinued.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the President is hereby authorized to submit these proposals to the Arkansas Division of Higher Education for appropriate action.

5.2 Approval of Academic Unanimous Consent Agenda:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board hereby approves the Academic and Student Affairs consent items as presented to the Board at its November 15-16, 2023, meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a letter of notification will be submitted to ADHE following the Board meeting setting forth these items.

ITEMS APPROVED:

1. University of Arkansas at Fort Smith

A. Program Curriculum Revision

- Master of Science in Healthcare Administration

*(Reduce total credit hours from 40 to 34 by eliminating two existing courses from requirements and incorporating sufficient coverage of deleted course topics in other classes. Currently enrolled students will be allowed to efficiently transition to the new degree plan, pending fall 2024 implementation. Following this plan to transition, all students will still meet the 34 Credit Hour requirement for the MHCA degree. At the completion of the fall 2024 semester, all graduates will be on the new MHCA degree plan.)*

2. University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

A. Deletions

- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in Management with concentrations in Human Resource Management and Organizational Leadership
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in Retail

3. University of Arkansas – Pulaski Technical College

A. Program Reconfiguration to Create new Credential from Existing

- Certificate of Proficiency in Electrical Lineworker Technology  
*(CIP 46.0303, 20 credit hours, is a one-semester credential created from existing courses in the Technical Certificate in Electrical Lineworker Technology to create a stackable milestone completion opportunity for students pursuing a career in this field, effective fall 2023, to award the first cohort currently enrolled)*

4. University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton

A. Program Curriculum Revision

- Associate of Applied Science in Nursing/Registered Nursing - Program  
*(Core curriculum is made up of three large theory courses and students and instructors are struggling with breaking the material up into easily consumable amounts. The proposed changes will divide two of these three courses into smaller separate courses that will allow students to focus on the material more closely. A name change for Nursing Process II to Maternal Child Nursing is also included. Changes will not alter the overall number of hours for the credential and will not require any additional resources.)*

6. Report on Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting Held November 15, 2023:

Chairman Dickey reported that the Buildings and Grounds Committee met on November 15, 2023. He stated there were two items for approval. The committee approved one and tabled the second. Chairman Dickey then moved that the actions of the Committee be approved by the Board; Trustee Cox seconded, and the following resolution was adopted:

6.1 Approval for Increased Budget for Health, Physical Education, and Recreation (HPER) Building Second Floor Renovation Project, UAF:

WHEREAS, in November of 2019, University of Arkansas Fayetteville was authorized to initiate the capital project process for the Health, Physical Education, and Recreation Building second floor renovation, focusing on the selection of professional design consultants and a general contractor; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the project was to address the need for additional health and recreational facilities for the growing student population, with initial allocations of \$9 million approved by the Board in March 2020; and

WHEREAS, during the early planning and programming phase, it was evident that the initially allocated capital resources would not be sufficient to meet the comprehensive scope of the project, requiring a projected budget of \$14 million; and

WHEREAS, the project was temporarily halted in May 2020 due to the campus's shift in focus to addressing the global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, in June 2023, the project was reinitiated following strong student interest expressed through the Associated Student Government, and a reassessment revealed a current projected cost of \$24 million; and

WHEREAS, the increase in cost is attributed to three years of unprecedented high rates of construction inflation and escalation in materials and labor costs, combined with heightened contractor demand within Northwest Arkansas's robust construction market; and

WHEREAS, the initial need identified in 2019 has only intensified with the university's enrollment now exceeding 32,000 students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board approves the revised capital project amount of \$24 million for the Health, Physical Education, and Recreation Building second floor renovation to be funded from general obligation bonds supported by existing facilities fees, and potential donor gifts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT prior approval from this Board is required for any increase in the budget approved herein or for any change in the source of funding for this Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board authorizes the President, Chief Financial Officer, Chancellor, Vice Chancellor for Finance and CFO, or their designees,

to execute such documents and instruments as may be necessary to accomplish the Health, Physical Education, and Recreation Building second floor renovation provided that such documents and instruments shall be reviewed by the General Counsel.

6.2 Request for Approval of a Ground Lease Agreement--Tabled, UAMS

Tabled.

7. Report on Agriculture Committee Meeting Held November 16, 2023

Trustee Cox reported that the Board received an update on the Farm Bill status from Harrison Pittman, Director of the National Agricultural Law Center. Dr. Deacue Fields was also present and announced the hiring of Jeff Edwards as the new Bumpers College Dean and John Anderson as the new Cooperative Extension Director. Upon motion of Trustee Cox and second by Trustee Fryar, the report was accepted.

8. Campus Report: Dr. Terisa Riley, Chancellor, UAFS:

Chancellor Terisa Riley provided Trustees with a campus update explaining how the University's recently approved strategic plan is advancing its students' social mobility and the growth and prosperity of Arkansas and the River Valley region.

Using the plan's four strategic pillars as her foundation, Chancellor Riley delivered a detailed campus update on the university's incoming class, robust academic support services, undergraduate research opportunities, community engagement initiatives through the UAFS Center for Economic Development, outreach efforts to local grade schools by student-athletes, and institutional efficiencies realized through realignment and updated budgeting process to tie financial resources more effectively to strategic goals.

During her update, Chancellor Riley announced the creation of the Doug and Kathy Babb Premiere Internship Endowment, which will help provide UAFS students with expanded access to paid internships. The initiative is made possible through a \$1,000,000 gift from Doug and Kathy Babb of Fort Smith.

Chancellor Riley's presentation included remarks by UAFS students, faculty, and graduates, including current Student Government Association President Justin Dang.

9. President's Report: Donald R. Bobbitt, University of Arkansas System:

President Bobbitt thanked Chancellor Terisa Riley and her staff for hosting the Board and the UA System. He then commented as follows.

- UACCB and UA-Rich Mountain were recently named in the top 150 colleges out of more than 1,000-plus colleges nationwide. This makes them eligible to compete for the \$1 million Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence, which is awarded every two years, and is the nation's signature recognition for America's community colleges. President Bobbitt offered congratulations to Chancellors Shonk and Wilson for this honor and wished them well as they compete for the prestigious \$1 million Aspen Prize. He also thanked Director of Communications Nate Hinkle for helping publicize this recognition and summarizing its impact for the Board.
- Restoration work on the Willhaf House in Van Buren received the 2023 Award for Excellence in Preservation and Restoration. The Willhaf House is part of UAFS and has undergone extensive restoration and archeological documentation. The award recognizes both the UA System's Archeological Survey and UAFS. The work was supported by a grant from the Arkansas Natural and Cultural Resources Council (ANCRC).
- On October 27th, the 10,000 Small Business program was rolled out at the William J. Clinton Presidential Library's Great Hall. This was an exceptional event announcing an innovative program and attended by both Arkansas's Senators as well as Representative Hill and several state legislators, and Goldman Sachs' CEO, David Solomon. UA-PTC Chancellor Summer DeProw did an exceptional job in summarizing and closing the program.
- He recognized UA institutions who are making considerable efforts through new, innovative initiatives to decrease the cost of education for Arkansans. He gave as examples the generous UAF Community College transfer scholarship which allows Arkansans to access the flagship for their baccalaureate degree while assisting the community colleges in recruiting students from their communities and the UAHT and UA Little Rock last dollar scholarship programs.
- He stated that as good as our system has been in dealing with the significant challenges facing higher education at this time, more change is necessary if higher education is to continue to be that door to an open and economically mobile future. He commented that the UA System is responding to that challenge with a state-wide leadership in innovative pedagogy, cyber security, business development (e.g. Goldman Sachs 10,000 small businesses program with UAPTC), increased productivity in research, science and technology as evidenced by an increase in the receipt of patents, and support for new start-up companies to commercialize these technologies; development of Common Course numbering that we anticipate will be extended to noncredit training that will facilitate transfer without loss of credit; and a Workforce Development initiative in partnership with Governor Sarah Sanders, Secretary of Commerce Hugh McDonald and Chief Workforce Officer Mike Rogers.

10. Deferral of a License Agreement with Swarna Sense, Inc., UALR:

Deferred.

11. Approval of Strategic Plan, UA-PTC:

Chancellor Summer DeProw, University of Arkansas – Pulaski Technical College, presented a request for approval of UA-PTC’s 2023-2026 Strategic Plan. Upon motion of Trustee Dickey and second by Trustee Todd, the following resolution was approved:

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas – Pulaski Technical College has developed a new 2023-2026 Strategic Plan in keeping with its consistent mission statement, set out below, that includes revised vision and value statements;

Mission Statement

The University of Arkansas – Pulaski Technical College provides access to high-quality education that promotes student learning and enables individuals to develop to their fullest potential.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the 2023-2026 Strategic Plan for the University of Arkansas – Pulaski Technical College is hereby approved as presented.

12. President’s Report of Police Authority Granted:

Since the President’s Report to the Board on September 14-15, 2023, police authority was granted to part-time Officer Steevan Novero at UALR, Officer Randy Bateman at UAMS, and Officer Cheri Overstreet and Part-Time Office Jessica Moore at UAM.

At the conclusion of the Board meeting, Chairman Harriman appointed a Nominating Committee to recommend new officers at the January Board meeting. Members appointed to the committee were Trustees Fryar, Cox, and Todd.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion by Trustee Crass and second by Trustee Dickey, the meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kelly Eichler, Secretary