MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS BOARD OF TRUSTEES
UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK
DONAGHEY STUDENT CENTER, CALVIN R. LEDBETTER JR. ASSEMBLY HALL
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS
12:30 P.M., JANUARY 24, 2024, AND 8:45 A.M., JANUARY 25, 2024

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Chairman Morril Harriman; Trustees Kelly

Eichler; Steve Cox; Dr. Ed Fryar; Ted Dickey, Colonel Nate Todd and Kevin Crass.

TRUSTEES PRESENT VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE:

Trustees Sheffield Nelson; Tommy Boyer and

Jeremy Wilson.

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 and Chief Financial Officer Tara Smith, 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, Associate Vice President for Finance and Administration Chaundra Hall, Assistant to the President Angela Hudson and Associate for Administration Sylvia White.

UAF Representatives:

Chancellor Charles Robinson, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Terry Martin; Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Ann Bordelon; Managing

> Associate General Counsel Bill Kincaid; Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities Scott Turley; Vice Chancellor and Director of Athletics Hunter Yurachek; Deputy Athletic Director and CFO Clayton Hamilton; Dean Peter B. MacKeith and Chief of Staff Laura Jacobs.

UAMS Representatives:

Chancellor Cam Patterson; Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Provost and Chief Strategy Officer Stephanie Gardner; 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, Institutional Compliance, Mark Hagemeier; Vice Chancellor for Institutional Support Services and Chief Operating Officer, Chief of Staff Michael Manley; Otolaryngologist Susan D. Emmett, M.D., MPH, and Vice Chancellor Communications and Marketing Leslie Taylor.

UALR Representatives:

Chancellor Christina Drale, Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost Ann Bain, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Cody Decker, Vice Chancellor for Advancement Christian O'Neal, Vice Chancellor of University Affairs Joni Lee, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Gerald "Jerry" Ganz, Jr., Chancellor's Fellow for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Melvin Beavers and Chief of Staff Alicia Dorn.

UAPB Representatives:

Chancellor Laurence B. Alexander; Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration

> Carla Martin: Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management and Student Success Moses V. Goldmon; Athletic Director Chris Robinson: Provost/Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Andrea Stewart and Chief of Staff Janet Broiles.

UAM Representatives:

Chancellor Peggy Doss, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Alex Becker and Chief Information Officer Anissa Ross.

UAFS Representatives:

Chancellor Terisa Riley; Provost, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Shadow Robinson and Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Carey Tucker.

PCCUA Representatives:

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

UACCH-T Representatives:

Chancellor Christine Holt and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Laura Clark.

UACCB Representative:

Chancellor Brian Shonk.

UACCM Representatives:

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

UACCRM Representative:

Chancellor Phillip Wilson.

CCCUA Representatives:

Chancellor Steve Cole and Vice Chancellor for Finance Charlotte Johnson.

UA – PTC Representatives:

Chancellor Summer DeProw, Provost Ana Hunt and Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Rita Fleming.

Division of Agriculture Representative: Vice President for Agriculture Deacue Fields.

ASMSA Representative: Director Corey Alderdice.

AAS Representative: Director Alex Barker.

CJI Representative: Director Cheryl May.

CSPS Representative: Dean Victoria DeFrancesco Soto.

UA Grantham Representative: Chancellor Lindsay Bridgeman.

WRI Representative: Executive Director Janet Harris.

Special Guests:

UALR: CHASSE Dean Sarah Beth Estes; Interim Director, School of Education Rachel Eels: Assistant Professor, Middle Grades Coordinator Lundon Pinneo; Assistant Professor, Elementary Grades Site Coordinator Leslie Sharp; LRSD Coordinator Terri Guy; **JNPSD** Site Coordinator Kenya Brooks: **Teacher** Candidate Chadwick Teacher Comer;

> Candidate Arij Khreiwesh; Teacher Candidate Myah Steed and Teacher Candidate Madison Hawthorne.

Members of the Press.

Chairman Harriman called the regular session meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas to order at 12:33 p.m. on Wednesday, January 24, 2024, in the Calvin R. Ledbetter Jr. Assembly Hall at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

Upon motion of Trustee Dickey and second by Trustee Cox, Chair Harriman stated the Board would go into Executive Session for the purpose of considering appointments to the UAMS Medical and AHEC staffs, the UA Foundation Board of Directors and UAFS Board of Visitors; nominees for honorary degrees and other significant awards; the approval of salaries in excess of the line item maximum; 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 2:44 p.m. and called for action on the following matters discussed in Executive Session:

1.1 Election of Officers Effective March 1, 2024:

Upon motion of Trustee Crass, second by Trustee Todd, the following officers were elected effective March 1, 2024:

Kelly Eichler, Chair Steve Cox, Vice Chair Ted Dickey, Secretary Sheffield Nelson, Assistant Secretary

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

Upon motion of Trustee Eichler, second by Trustee Dickey, 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:

Bob Beitle, Senior Associate Vice Chancellor	\$223,715
One-time merit	\$3,011
Effective retroactive to November 16, 2023	
Ann Bordelon, Executive VC for Finance and Administration	\$371,500
One-time merit	\$6,600
Car Allowance	\$12,00
Effective February 1, 2024	1 7
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Robert Davis, Associate Vice Chancellor	\$325,000
Effective retroactive to December 1, 2023	Ψε Ξε ,σσσ
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Terry Martin, Provost & Executive VC for Academic Affairs	\$371,500
One-time merit	\$6,600
Car Allowance	\$12,000
Effective February 1, 2024	φ12,000
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Eric Mateos, Assistant Football Coach	\$707,200
Effective retroactive to December 4, 2023	\$707,200
Effective retroactive to December 4, 2025	
Cymthia Nanca Doon and Ducfasson of Lavy	\$257,000
Cynthia Nance, Dean and Professor of Law One-time merit	\$357,000
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Effective retroactive to January 1, 2024	
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Robert (Bobby) Petrino, Offensive Coordinator	¢1 400 000
Effective retroactive to December 3, 2023	\$1,400,000
Effective March 1, 2024	\$1,500,000

One-time Merit lump sums are not part of the base salaries. Maximum potential earnings include the 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.

1.3 <u>Approval of Nominee for an Honorary Degree at the May Commencement Ceremony,</u> UAF:

Upon motion by Trustee Dickey and second by Trustee Cox, the nominee recommended to receive an honorary degree from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, for the May

2024 commencement was approved. The name of the nominee will not be made public until after the individual has been contacted and agrees to accept the degree.

1.4 <u>Approval of Initial Appointments, Six-Month Reviews, Reappointments and Changes in Status and Privileges for University Hospital and AHEC Staffs, UAMS:</u>

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

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 Privileges for Medical, Regional and Affiliated Health Professional Staff are hereby approved:

Initial Appointments-Medical Staff

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	Surgical Specialties/Gastroenterology	
BOWERMAN, Carol, PA Emergency Medicine/Physician Assistant		
Supervising Physician: Joseph Watkins, N	MD	
BURCH, James, MD	Anesthesiology	
DAVIS, Anthony, MD	Neurosciences/Neurology	
DAWOUD, Malik, MD	Pediatric Radiology	
JOSHI, Krittika, MD	Womens & Infants/Pediatric Cardiology	
KNARR, Laura, CNP	Womens & Infants/Womens HC NP	
Collaborative Physician: Nirvana Mannin	g, MD	
LUNA, Michael, MDC	ardiovascular/Adult Congenital Heart Disease	
MAXEY, Robert, MD	Diagnostic Radiology	
RADDER, Nivedita, MD	Diagnostic Radiology	
SAMUEL, Susan, MD	Neurosciences/Clinical Neurophysiology	
WALLACE, Jordan, PA		
Supervising Physician: Michael Birrer, MD		
WEIRICH, Eric, MD	Anesthesiology	
Reappointments-Medical Staff		
ANGTUACO, Sylvia, MD	Womens & Infants/Pediatric Cardiology	
CARNES, Mary, CNP	Neurosciences/Adult-Gero PC NP	
Collaborating Physician: Robert Archer, M	ÍD .	
CHALMERS, Lindsay, CNP	Cardiovascular/AC NP	
Collaborating Physician: Kristofer Freeland, MD		
CHASTAIN, Emily, CNP	Surgical Specialties/Adult-Gero PC NP	
Collaborating Physician: Ahmet Aydin, M	D	

CHAU, Destiny, MD	
	Behavioral Health/Psychiatry
	Integrated Medicine/Endocrinology
FAGGION, Ashley, CNP	Surgical Specialties/Adult-Gero AC NP
Collaborating Physician: Ronald Rob	pertson, MD
	Primary Care & Pop Health/Internal Medicine
GUTHRIE, Jacey, MD	Integrated Medicine/Dermatology
HARDIN, Sarah, DDS	Surgical Specialties/Dentistry
HARVILLE, Terry, MD	Lab_Path/Pediatrics
HENRY-TILLMAN, Ronda, MD	
HOLLOWAY, Jessica. PA	
Supervising Physician: Michael Birre	er, MD
	Primary Care & Pop Health/Internal Medicine
HUNT, James, MD	
HURT, Dawn, CNP	Surgical Specialties/Adult-Gero PC NP
Collaborating Physician: Matthew De	eneke, MD
JOHNSON, Sandra, MD	Integrated Medicine/Dermatology
LAVENDER, Robert, MD	Primary Care & Pop Health/Internal Medicine
	mergency Medicine/Pediatric Emergency Medicine
MAGANN, Everett, MD	Womens & Infants/Maternal & Fetal Medicine
MAYBERRY, Hillary, PA	Surgical Specialties/Physician Assistant
Supervising Physician: Keith Wolter,	
	Integrated Medicine/Dermatology
Collaborating Physician: Sarah Harri	ngton, MD
	Behavioral Health/Psychiatry
NADAGOUNDLA, Chitra, MD	Integrated Medicine/Internal Medicine
	Primary Care & Pop Health/Family Medicine
	Behavioral Health/Physician Assistant
Supervising Physician: Christopher C	
	Neurosciences/Neurocritical Care
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	Integrated Medicine/Nephrology
	ardiovascular/Adv Heart Failure & Transplant Card
	Primary Care & Pop Health/Family Medicine
	Integrated Medicine/Physician Assistant
Supervising Physician: Aaron Wenge	er, MD

Six Month Review-Medical Staff

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	Diagnostic Radiology
	Neurosciences/Orthopaedic Surgery
	Diagnostic Radiology
	Cardiovascular/Adult-Gero AC NP
·	Surgical Specialties/Adult-Gero AC NP
	Digital Health/Family NP
	Pediatric Anesthesiology
	Primary Care & Pop Health/Physician Assistant
	Behavioral Health/Psychiatry
	Womens & Infants/Maternal & Fetal Medicine
	Interventional & Diagnostic Radiology
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	Cancer /Adult-Gero AC NP
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	Cardiovascular/Adult-Gero AC NP
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Reappointm	nents-Affiliated Health
	Behavioral Health/Psychology
Sponsoring Physician: Christopher Ca	
PORCHIA, Barbara, DPM	Musculoskeletal/Podiatry
Supervising Physician: Lowry Barnes	

SABOURI, Pouya, PhDSponsoring Physician: Fen Xia, MD	Cancer/Therapeutic Medical Physics		
Initial Appoir	ntment-Regional Staff		
DAVIS, Lori, SLP	Speech-Language PathologyPrimary Care & Pop Health/Family NP		
Reappointm	nents-Regional Staff		
	Speech-Language Pathology		
	Primary Care & Pop Health/Family Medicine		
	Behavioral Health/Licensed Social Worker		
	Speech-Language Pathology		
CURRAN, Heidi, PT			
HIBBARD, Hilarie, OT	Occupational Therapy		
JENKINS, Casey, PA	Behavioral Health/Physician Assistant		
Supervising Physician: Michael Mancin	no, MD		
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MOBLEY, Renita, RD			
MURRAY, Tesa, LCSW	Behavioral Health/Licensed Social Worker		
RAGLAND, Darrell, MD	Primary Care & Pop Health/Family Medicine		
	Occupational Therapy		
	Primary Care & Pop Health/Family Medicine		
	Primary Care & Pop Health/Family Medicine		
TORRES, Rebecca, SLP	Musculoskeletal/Speech-Language Pathology		
Six Month Review-Regional Staff			
	Behavioral Health/Licensed Social Worker		
DUNHAM, Joshua, LCSW	Behavioral Health/Licensed Social Worker		
FORTSON, Christopher, MD	Primary Care & Pop Health/Family Medicine		
LEVERETTE, Aaron, LPC	Behavioral Health/Licensed Counselor		
LINVILLE, Tierney, LPC	Behavioral Health/Licensed Counselor		
	Behavioral Health/Licensed Counselor		
	Primary Care & Pop Health/Physician Assistant		
	Behavioral Health/Licensed Social Worker		
	Primary Care & Pop Health/Family Medicine		
	Behavioral Health/Pediatric Psychology		
WINSLOW, Lucas, PT			

Requested Change in Privileges

BRADY, Kelsey, CNP Emergency Medicine/Adult-Gero AC NP
Collaborating Physician: Randy Maddox, MD
Requesting to add APRN Emergency Medicine Privileges
INGRAM-SMITH, Kayla, CNPMusculoskeletal/Adult-Gero AC NP
Collaborating Physician: Samuel Overley, MD
Requesting to add Baclofen Pump Refill Privileges
INGRAM-SMITH, Kayla, CNPNeurosciences/Adult-Gero AC NP
Collaborating Physician: Jonathan Goree, MD
Requesting to add APRN Pain Medicine Privileges
LANGFORD, Brian, MDSurgical Specialties/Urology
Requesting to add Sacral Nerve Stimulator Placement Privileges
MORROW, Morgan, CNP
Collaborating Physician: Muthu Kumaran, MD
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1.5 <u>Approval of a Nominee for an Honorary Degree and a Nominee for the Chancellor's</u> Award for the May Commencement Ceremony, UAMS:

Upon motion by Trustee Fryar and second by Trustee Eichler, the nominees recommended to receive an honorary degree and the Chancellor's Award from the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences for the May 2024 commencement were approved. The names will not be made public until after the individuals have been contacted and agree to accept the awards.

1.6 Approval of Appointments to the Board of Visitors, UAFS:

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

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT Mr. George McGill is hereby reappointed to membership on the Board of Visitors of the University of Arkansas at Fort Smith for a term to expire December 31, 2029.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT Mr. Michael Newcity is hereby appointed to membership on the Board of Visitors of the University of Arkansas at Fort Smith for a term to expire December 31, 2029.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Mr. Tony Jones is hereby appointed to membership on the Board of Visitors of the University of Arkansas at Fort Smith for a term to expire December 31, 2024.

1.7 <u>Approval of Appointment of Ted Dickey to the UA Foundation Board of Directors, UASYS:</u>

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

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT Ted Dickey is hereby appointed to The University of Arkansas Foundation, Inc., Board of Directors for a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

1.8 <u>Approval of First Amendment to Employment Agreement for UA-PTC Chancellor Summer DeProw, UASYS:</u>

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

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAN THAT the First Amendment to Employment Agreement, effective retroactively to January 1, 2024, for Summer DeProw, is hereby approved and confirmed.

1.9 Approval of the Granting of Emeritus Status, All Campuses and Units:

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

1.9.1 Emeritus Resolution for Dr. Thomas Gregory Barrett, UALR:

WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas G. Barrett, Professor in the School of Education, College of Humanities, Arts, Social Sciences and Education at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, has expressed his intent to retire effective December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barrett holds a PhD degree in Education, Higher Education (2002), a Master of Arts degree in Education, Higher Education (1998) from the University of Michigan, School of Education, a Master of Business Administration degree in Marketing from the Georgia State University Graduate School of Business Administration (1974), and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from Emory University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barrett joined the University of Arkansas at Little Rock on January 7, 2002, as an Assistant Professor; was promoted to Associate Professor and granted tenure in April 2008; was promoted to Full Professor with tenure in April 2012; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barrett has taught 15 different graduate courses: Dissertation Seminar, Foundations of College Student Affairs, Fundraising Theory and Practice, Governance and Policy in Higher Education, Higher Education in the U. S.: An Overview, History and Philosophy of Higher Education, Legal Aspects of Higher Education, Organizational Behavior in Higher and Postsecondary Education, Organization and Administration of Two-Year Colleges, Issues and Challenges in Two-Year Colleges, The Two-Year College in America, Assessment and Program Evaluation in Student Affairs, Organizational Systems Analysis, Design & Change in Education, Introduction to Educational Research, and Qualitative Research Methods; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barrett has successfully chaired the doctoral dissertations of 41 Higher Education graduates since 2008, and served as committee member of an additional 15 Higher Education doctoral dissertation graduates; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barrett has continued to advise, serve and guide the 60 remaining Higher Education graduate students through the Teachout following the retrenchment and elimination of the Higher Education graduate programs; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barrett has a modest but distinguished record of publication in such publications as Journal of College Student Retention: Research, Theory & Practice (2021); Journal of Negro Education (2015); Journal of Diversity in Higher Education (2014); Journal of Business Ethics Education (2014); American Educational History Journal (2010); American Educational Research Journal-Social and Institutional Analysis (2008); American Indian Culture and Research Journal (2007); The Journal of Research Administration (2007); Planning for Higher Education (2006); and The CASE International Journal of Educational Advancement (2004 & 2002); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barrett was awarded the Faculty Excellence Award in Research, College of Education in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barrett served as Doctoral Program Coordinator for the Higher Education Doctoral Program (Fall 2006-Fall 2008; Summer 2019-Fall 2020); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barrett served in voluntary faculty leadership capacities including as a Member, UALR Faculty Senate (2003-2008, 2011-2014), Co-Chair UALR Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Online Higher Education (2013-2014), Member UALR Faculty Senate Planning and Finance Committee (2004-2015); Member, UALR Graduate Council (2019-2020); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barrett served as Co-Internal Evaluator (with John Kuykendall), for the Charles W. Donaldson Scholars Academy Programs (2014-2020), a collaborated program between University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Philander Smith College, and Pulaski County Special School District geared toward the success of future college students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barrett has served the institution with distinction for 21 years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barrett's dedicated service has been a source of inspiration for the students, faculty, fellow employees, and all who have come into contact with him; and WHEREAS, as a result of this same dedicated service, the University of Arkansas System is better able to meet the educational needs of the people of the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Thomas G. Barrett for his contributions to the progress and development of the institution; confers upon him the title of Professor Emeritus of Higher Education; and directs the secretary of the Board of Trustees to transmit a copy of the resolution to Dr. Thomas G. Barrett.

1.9.2 Emeritus Resolution for Dr. Andy Terry, UALR:

WHEREAS, Dr. Andy Terry, CFA, Professor of Finance, Department of Accounting, Economics, and Finance at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, has expressed his intent to retire effective December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Terry holds a Ph.D degree in Finance from The University of Michigan (1990), a Master of Arts degree in Economics from The University of Michigan (1990), and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business and Economics from Hendrix College (1978); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Terry joined the University of Arkansas at Little Rock January 1, 1990, as an Assistant Professor, was promoted to Associate Professor with Tenure in 1996; promoted to Full Professor in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Terry served as the Whitbeck-Beyer Chair of Insurance and Financial Services from 2002 through 2004, and initially registered the financial planning program with the CFP Board in Denver; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Terry twice served as Department Chair for the Department of Economics and Finance from 1996 through 2001 and from 2011 through 2013; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Terry obtained his CFA Charter in 2005, the most prestigious financial designation among practicing investment professionals, registered UALR's finance program as an Affiliated University with the CFA Institute, and has served as an officer and Board member of the Arkansas CFA Society for the last 10 years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Terry has taught finance in the undergraduate, MBA, and Executive MBA programs, and has provided financial expertise to the community through Board service to Arvest Bank, Just Communities of Arkansas, and Ballet Arkansas, and consulting projects with Arkansas Treasury Department, to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Terry's dedicated service has been a source of inspiration for the students, faculty, fellow employees, and all who have come into contact with him; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this same dedicated service, the University of Arkansas System is better able to meet the educational needs of the people of the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Andy Terry for his contributions to the progress and development of the institution; confers upon him the title of Professor Emeritus of Finance; and directs the secretary of the Board of Trustees to transmit a copy of the resolution to Dr. Andy Terry.

1.9.3 Emeritus Resolution for Dr. Howard Turney, UALR:

WHEREAS, Dr. Howard M. Turney Professor of Social Work at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Social Work, has expressed his intent to retire effective December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Turney holds a PhD in Social Work from Florida State University (1991), a Master' degree in Social Work from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock (1985), and a BBA in Business Administration from the University of Central Arkansas (1974); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Turney joined the University of Arkansas at Little Rock on August 15, 1991, as an Instructor and was promoted to Associate Professor in 1995 and awarded tenure in 1996. Dr. Turney was promoted to full professor in 2006; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Turney has served the institution with distinction for 32 years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Turney has taught Foundations III, Human Behavior in the Social Environment, Advanced Direct Practice I, Advanced Direct Practice II, Advanced Practice III, Couples Therapy, Field Liaison, and the Advanced Standing Seminar; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Turney was the Director of the School of Social Work for 23 of his 32 years of service at UA Little Rock; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Turney has served on many committees in the School of Social Work, including the Peer Review Committee (Chair), Admissions Committee, and the Tenure and Promotions Committee (Chair); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Turney has been engaged in several external service activities, including being a board member of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists; the Arkansas Kidney Foundation; Arkansas Children's Hospital; volunteer at Immerse Arkansas, and a board member of Shepherd's Hope; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Turney has had multiple large and smaller scale grants over the course of his service and has had twelve peer reviewed publications, and multiple refereed professional presentations; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Turney's dedicated service has been a source of inspiration for the students, faculty, fellow employees, and all who have come into contact with him; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this same dedicated service, the University of Arkansas System is better able to meet the educational needs of the people of the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Howard M. Turney for his contributions to the progress and development of the institution; confers upon him the title of Professor Emeritus of Social Work; and directs the secretary of the Board of Trustees to transmit a copy of the resolution to Dr. Howard M. Turney.

1.9.4 Emeritus Resolution for Hank Chaney, UADA-CES:

WHEREAS, in accordance with University of Arkansas policy, Mr. Henry M. "Hank" Chaney retired from the University of Arkansas System, Division of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Service on December 3, 2021, after 39 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Chaney began his career as County Extension Agent–Agriculture in Perry County in 1982, where he developed and provided educational programs in Agriculture and Natural Resources to Arkansans, and positive values and life skills training to Arkansas youth; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Chaney was Rice Research Verification Coordinator from 1987-1990, then moved to the Prairie County Extension Office as Staff Chair from 1990 to 2009. In 2003, he was promoted to Distinguished Agent. He moved in 2009 to Faulkner County as Staff Chair; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Chaney was appointed Agriculture and Natural Resources Educator in 2015. He mentored early career County Agriculture Agents to develop into productive agents in less time and to reduce agent turnover; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Chaney was a member of and served the National Association of County Agricultural Agents (NACAA) and Arkansas County Agricultural Agents Association (ACAAA); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Chaney was recognized with the County Agent of the Year (1994) from the Arkansas Association of Cooperative Extension Specialists; John W. White County Educator Award (2004); Distinguished Service Awards from ACAAA and NACAA; Search in Excellence in Crop Production (2009) and Livestock Production (2014) from ACAAA; and Friend of Arkansas 4-H Foundation (2021); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Chaney promoted the Land Grant University work of teaching, research and extension through his dedicated and outstanding service and carried out the mission of the University of Arkansas System, Division of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board expresses its deep appreciation to Mr. Chaney for his contributions toward fulfilling the mission of this institution; confers upon him emeritus rank; and directs the secretary of the Board of Trustees to transmit a copy of the resolution to Mr. Chaney.

1.9.5 Emeritus Resolution for Clifford Coker, UADA-CES:

WHEREAS, in accordance with University of Arkansas policy, Mr. Clifford Coker retired from the University of Arkansas System, Division of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Service on July 29, 2012 after 27 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coker joined the Cooperative Extension Service as County Extension Agent–Agriculture in 1985. He developed and provided educational programs in agricultural sciences to Arkansas citizens, and provided sound agronomic recommendations to farmers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coker was promoted to Extension Specialist I – Plant Pathology in 1991; and eventually achieved the rank of Associate Professor, Extension Plant Pathologist; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coker was a member of and served the following organizations – Arkansas Crop Protection Association, the Association of Southern Disease Workers, and the American Phytopathological Society; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coker's outstanding service has been recognized with the Extension Excellence Issue Team Award-2008 for the Arkansas Working Group on Introduced Plant Disease; the John W. White Outstanding Team Award, U of A, Division of Agriculture, 2009 for Soybean Rust Working Group concerning Monitoring and Disease Management Recommendations; and the International IPM Award for Excellence, 2012 for Soybean Rust - PIPE for SBR Sentinel Program; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Coker promoted the Land Grant University work of teaching, research and extension through his dedicated and outstanding service and carried out the mission of the University of Arkansas System, Division of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Service to provide research-based information and lifelong learning opportunities to Arkansas citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board expresses its deep appreciation to Mr. Coker for his contributions toward fulfilling the mission of this institution; confers upon him emeritus rank; and directs the secretary of the Board of Trustees to transmit a copy of the resolution to Mr. Clifford Coker.

1.9.6 Emeritus Resolution for Dr. Angi Freel, UADA-CES:

WHEREAS, in accordance with University of Arkansas policy, Dr. Angie Freel retired from the University of Arkansas System, Division of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Service on January 31, 2023, after 26 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Freel joined the Cooperative Extension Service in 1996 as an Administrative Assistant and was promoted to a County Extension Agent in 1997 in White County. She developed and provided educational programs in 4-H and Youth Development to Arkansas citizens, and provided positive values and life skills training to Arkansas youth; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Freel was promoted in 2014 to the position of 4-H Youth Citizenship/Leadership Specialist and again promoted in 2018 to Associate Department Head – 4-H; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Freel was a member of and served in the following organizations—the National and Arkansas Associations of Extension 4-H Agents and the National & Arkansas Associations of Family and Consumer Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Freel's outstanding service has been recognized by the following honors: Specialist of the Year, Newspaper Story Award and Achievement in Service Award from the Arkansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents; Issue Team Award - Soybean Science Challenge; Extension Team Excellence Award - Citizenship Initiative; Best Newsletter Award, Meritorious Service Award and Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents; 4-H Agent of the Year from the Arkansas 4-H Volunteer Leader's Association in 2006 and 2012; Extension Excellence Team Issue Award; Extension Employee of the Quarter; Communications Award: TV Program; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Freel promoted the Land Grant University work of teaching, research and extension through her dedicated and outstanding service and carried out the mission of the University of Arkansas System, Division of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Service to provide research-based information and lifelong learning opportunities to Arkansas citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Angie Freel for her contributions toward fulfilling the mission of this institution; confers upon her emeritus rank; and directs the secretary of the Board of Trustees to transmit a copy of the resolution to Dr. Freel.

1.9.7 Emeritus Resolution for Jane Newton, UADA-CES:

WHEREAS, in accordance with University of Arkansas policy, Mrs. Jane Newton retired from the University of Arkansas System, Division of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Service on October 1, 2022, after 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Newton joined the Cooperative Extension Service in 1997 as County Extension Agent – Family and Consumer Sciences in Lincoln County. During her career, Mrs. Newton was promoted to the rank of County Agent III. She developed and provided educational programs in family and consumer sciences to Arkansas citizens, and provided positive values and life skills training to Arkansas youth; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Newton conducted programs in areas such as: SNAP-Ed nutrition education, diabetes education, food preservation, ServSafe Food Manager Training, financial literacy, among many others. She was a member of the team that developed the initial At Home with UAEX program in response to the COVID-19 work from home situation and the team that developed the Grown Up "U" podcast for youth and young adults; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Newton has collaborated on educational programs with her local community and county – Lincoln County Extension Homemakers Club, Lincoln County Judge; Star City, Gould, and Grady mayors; Star City Branch Library; Lincoln County Health Unit; Lincoln County DHS; Star City School District; Star City Housing Authority; C & L Electric Cooperative; Lincoln County Cattlemen Association; Lincoln County Fair Association to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Newton's outstanding service has been awarded National Extension Association of Family & Consumer Sciences' Continued Excellence Award, Distinguished Service Award, Community Partnership Award, and Newsletter Award; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Newton promoted the Land Grant University work of teaching, research and extension through her dedicated and outstanding service and carried out the mission of the University of Arkansas System, Division of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board expresses its deep appreciation to Mrs. Jane Newton for her contributions toward fulfilling the mission of this institution; confers upon her emeritus rank; and directs the secretary of the Board of Trustees to transmit a copy of the resolution to Mrs. Newton.

1.9.8 Emeritus Resolution for Dr. Yeshi Wamishe, UADA-CES:

WHEREAS, in accordance with University of Arkansas policy, Dr. Yeshi Wamishe retired from the University of Arkansas System, Division of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Service on March 1, 2023, after 11 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wamishe received B.S. (1979) and M.S. (1984) degrees from Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia and a Ph.D. (2002) in Plant Science/Plant Pathology from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wamishe joined the Cooperative Extension Service in 2011 as an Assistant Professor – Extension Plant Pathologist with a specialty in rice. During her career, Dr. Wamishe was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor. She employed her expertise in developing educational programs and materials in plant pathology for delivery to Arkansas citizens and farmers; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wamishe has produced 51 journal, book chapters, or proceeding publications; 70 published abstracts and presentations; numerous blog and disease updates; contributions to seasonal rice newsletters; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wamishe holds a U.S. Patent for Trichoderma Compositions and Methods of Using the Same - February 2021; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wamishe has been active in several professional organizations such as the American Phytopathological Society, Rice Technical Working Group, Gamma Sigma Delta, National Association of County Agricultural Agents; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wamishe's outstanding service has earned numerous awards, including the Rice Industry Award (2022) from Horizon Ag, *Rice Farming* and USA Rice; the Division of Agriculture's John W. White Outstanding Team Award-Rice Breeding Team (2021), and Team Award: Outstanding Educational Materials from the American Society of Agronomy; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wamishe promoted the Land Grant University work of teaching, research and extension through her dedicated and outstanding service and carried out the mission of the University of Arkansas System, Division of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Yeshi Wamishe for her contributions toward fulfilling the mission of this institution; confers upon her emeritus rank; and directs the secretary of the Board of Trustees to transmit a copy of the resolution to Dr. Wamishe.

2. <u>Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held November 15-16, 2023, and Special Meeting Held December 15, 2023:</u>

Upon motion by Trustee Dickey and second by Trustee Eichler, the minutes of the regular meeting held November 15-16, 2023, and Special Meeting Held December 15, 2023, were approved.

Chair Harriman called on Trustee Nelson to convene the Joint Hospital Committee at 2:49 p.m., Trustee Wilson to convene the Audit and Fiscal Responsibility Committee at 3:29 p.m., and Trustee Fryar to convene the Academic and Student Affairs Committee at 4:17 p.m. Chair Harriman adjourned the regular session at 4:21 p.m.

On Thursday, January 25, 2024, Chair Harriman reconvened the meeting calling on Trustee Dickey to convene the Buildings and Grounds Committee at 8:43 a.m. Chair Harriman reconvened the regular session of the Board at 9:07 a.m.

3. Report on University Hospital-Board of Trustees Joint Committee Meeting Held January 24, 2024:

Trustee Nelson reported that the University Hospital-Board of Trustees Joint Committee met on January 24, 2024, and moved that the actions of the Committee, which included approval of the minutes of the meeting held November 15, 2023, be approved by the Board. Trustee Cox seconded the motion and the following committee items were approved by the full Board:

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

Dr. Michelle Krause presented the Safety Management Report for October through December 2023 and the Emergency Preparedness Report for November through December 2023.

3.2 Review of the Institutional Compliance Program:

Mr. Mark Hagemeier presented the UAMS Institutional Compliance Report for June 2023 through November 2023.

3.3 Review of UAMS Quality, Experience and Safety Report:

Dr. Michelle Krause presented the Quality, Experience and Safety Report through January 2024.

3.4 Review of the HEAR Arkansas Program:

Otolaryngologist Susan D. Emmett, M.D., MPH, provided an update on the UAMS HEAR Arkansas Program.

3.5 Review of the UAMS Integrated Clinical Enterprise Key Indicators:

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

3.6 Chief Executive Officer's Update:

Chancellor Cam Patterson reported the documentation required for the UAMS Magnet application will be submitted by the end of January. Magnet designation is a program of the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) to designate hospitals that demonstrate nursing excellence. Magnet designation is important because it signals to both patients and nurses that UAMS meets the highest standards in nursing excellence. This designation will be a powerful recruiting tool, helping UAMS to fill open spots in the hospital as well as clinics with talented, committed nursing staff.

4. Report on Audit and Fiscal Responsibility Committee Meeting Held January 24, 2024:

Audit and Fiscal Responsibility Committee Chair Wilson reported on the meeting held January 24, 2024, which included approval of the minutes of the meeting held November 15, 2023. Upon motion by Trustee Dickey and second by Trustee Fryar, the following committee items were approved by the full Board:

4.1 <u>Approval of the Arkansas Legislative Audit's Basic Financial Statements and Other Reports with Corresponding Management Responses for the Year Ended June 30, 2023, for the University of Arkansas System:</u>

The committee reviewed and approved Arkansas Legislative Audit's Basic Financial Statements and Other Reports with Corresponding Management Responses for the year ended June 30, 2023, for the University of Arkansas System. The resolution, approved by the Committee and then approved by the full Board, is set out below:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the following audit report has been reviewed by the full Board at its open meeting on January 24-25, 2024:

University of Arkansas System Basic Financial Statements and Other Reports, June 30, 2023.

The management responses to recommendations made by Arkansas Legislative Audit were also reviewed and approved for appropriate action.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the action by the Board will be fully documented in the official minutes of the meeting.

4.2 <u>Approval of the Landmark PLC's Independent Accountant's Reports on the Application of Agreed-Upon Procedures over the University's Intercollegiate Athletics Programs for the Year Ended June 30, 2023:</u>

The Committee approved Landmark PLC's Independent Accountant's Reports on the Application of Agreed-Upon Procedures over the University's Division I Intercollegiate Athletics Programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

4.3 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, Strategic Audit Risk Assessment Report, Internal Audit Reports completed since the last meeting, the Follow-Up Report on Prior Audits, Listing of External Audit Reports received and reviewed during Fiscal Year 2024, with unmodified opinions and no material internal control or compliance findings.

4.4 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 during the past year as well as any reports where the case is still active, and a final resolution has not been determined.

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

4.5 Student Accounts Receivable Aging

The committee reviewed and approved the June 30, 2023, Student Accounts Receivable Report.

5. Report on Academic and Student Affairs Committee Meeting Held January 24, 2024:

Chair Fryar reported that the Academic and Student Affairs Committee met on January 24, 2024, and 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 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 January 24-25, 2024, meeting.

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

1. University of Arkansas at Little Rock

A. Title or CIP Change

• Change Conflict Mediation Graduate Certificate to Conflict Management Graduate Certificate and move the program administration of this certificate to Applied Communication. (The name change better reflects the additional training required for a person to become a mediator, which the certificate program does not provide. Most of the courses as well as the job of assessment for the program fall under the Applied Communication faculty. No new faculty or resources are required for this change.)

2. University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

A. Deletion

• Master of Science in Environmental Engineering in the Department of Civil Engineering within the College of Engineering, effective Fall 2024. (The Master of Science in Environmental Engineering program has appeared on the ADHE program viability list. The program has had no declared students for multiple years, and faculty, who created and sustained the program, are no longer with the University. After conversations with the Department of Civil Engineering, the degree was approved for deletion due to viability concerns.)

3. University of Arkansas at Fort Smith

A. Curriculum Revision Program

• Associate of Arts (Modify the degree requirements to match ADHE documentation. With the change, UAFS now requires a 35-hour state

minimum general education core; 15 to 24 semester credit hours of directed electives selected from the general education core categories and 1 to 10 semester credit hours of institutional requirements or advisor-approved electives. By changing degree requirements, students will have more flexibility in completing this degree.)

4. University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences

A. Program Reconfiguration

• Reconfigure the Doctor of Medicine to Create a Master's in Applied Health Sciences degree program. (The new program will assist a medical student who has completed four semesters of pre-clinical courses but chooses not to complete medical school. The new degree will allow that student to benefit from the completed curriculum and consider other advanced health care career paths, such as laboratory, clinical or teaching. There is no additional cost to this program, and it will not impact the Doctor of Medicine program.)

B. Title or CIP Change

• Change Bachelor of Science in Cytotechnology to Bachelor of Science in Cytology degree program. (The BS in Cytotechnology program is being renamed the BS in Cytology program to meet the accreditation guidelines from the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs. There will be no change to the curriculum.)

5. University of Arkansas – Pulaski Technical College

- A. Existing Program to be Offered at an Existing Off-Campus Location
 - UA Criminal Justice Institute (26 Corporate Hill Drive, Little Rock, AR 72205 At least 50% of the credits in the following credentials are being offered through CJI, so UA-PTC is required to list CJI as an off-campus location:
 - Associate of Applied Science in Crime Scene Investigation (DC 0387, CIP 43.0406)
 - ➤ Associate of Applied Science in Law Enforcement Administration (DC 0391, CIP 43.0103)
 - ➤ Technical Certificate in Crime Scene Investigation (DC 0386, CIP 43.0406)
 - ➤ Technical Certificate in Law Enforcement Administration (DC 0389, CIP 43.0103)
 - ➤ Certificate of Proficiency in Crime Scene Investigation (DC 0384, CIP 43.0406)
 - Certificate of Proficiency in Law Enforcement Administration (DC 0388, CIP 43.0103)

- LRSD Metropolitan Career-Technical Center (7701 Scott Hamilton Drive, Little Rock, AR 72209) At least 50% of the following credentials may be offered through the Metropolitan Career-Technical Center as part of the concurrent partnership, so UA-PTC is required to list Metro as an off-campus location:
 - ➤ Certificate of Proficiency in Computer Information Systems (DC 0018, CIP 11.0101)
 - ➤ Certificate of Proficiency in Digital Media Production (DC 5395, CIP 09.0702)
 - ➤ Certificate of Proficiency in Health Information Technology (DC 4741, CIP 51.0707)

B. CIP Code Change

• Certificate of Proficiency in Computerized Numerical Control should align with the other credentials in the newly reconfigured advanced manufacturing program. The CIP code will change from 48.0510 to 15.0613.

6. <u>University of Arkansas at Monticello</u>

- A. Existing Certificate or Degree Program Offered at an Existing Off-Campus Location
 - Bachelor of Science in Nursing Offer the last two years onsite at National Park College, 101 College Dr, Hot Springs, AR 71913. (This request will afford students the opportunity to earn both the Associate of Science in Nursing through NPC and the Bachelor of Science in Nursing from UAM onsite at NPC.)
- B. Change Mode of Instruction: Existing Program Offered by Distance Technology
 - Technical Certificate in Business Technology. (The TC in Business Technology, with the embedded CP in Basic Business Principles, is experiencing a growing need to accommodate students with jobs and families. Therefore, UAM is seeking to designate these programs as 100% online.)
 - Certificate of Proficiency in Basic Business Principles
 - Technical Certificate in Health Information Technology. (The HIT Certificate, with embedded CP Healthcare Office Skills, offered by the Crossett and the McGehee campus needs to be offered 100% online to meet the stipulations of a grant provided by the Arkansas Rural Health Partnership that enables students across the state to obtain a certificate in Health Information Technology. Making the Health Information Technology program online will also meet a growing need to accommodate students with jobs and families.)
 - Certificate of Proficiency in Healthcare Office Skills

C. Program Reconfiguration

- Reconfigure Master of Education to Offer a Graduate Certificate in K-6/7-12 Special Education Resource. (Special Education expertise is highly sought in teachers as well as other secondary school professionals in the state of Arkansas. The coursework for the graduate certificate is currently offered as part of the MEd as well as an approved K-6/7-12 Special Education Resource Endorsement. UAM is seeking to award these candidates a 12-credit, online graduate certificate.)
- Reconfigure Master of Education to Offer a Graduate Certificate in K-12 Special Education. (The coursework for the graduate certificate is currently offered as part of the MEd as well as an approved K-12 Special Education Endorsement. UAM is seeking to award these candidates a 24-credit, online graduate certificate.)

D. Delete Program/Option/Emphasis/Track

• Certificate of Proficiency in Emergency Medical Technician—Intermediate Program. (Program has been inactive for a number of years. Because of changes in the licensure requirements, completers of this certificate would no longer meet the requirements "to challenge the National Registry EMT—Intermediate 85 Examination," according to the Department of Health EMS Division.)

7. University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff

A. Program Reconfiguration (existing course; no new costs)

- Reconfigure the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration to create a Concentration in Entrepreneurship. (The proposed addition of a concentration in Entrepreneurship is designed to train emerging entrepreneurs with the tools and techniques to harness new business opportunities, and it aligns with UAPB's mission of making a positive impact on the economy both domestically and internationally.)
- Reconfigure the Bachelor of Science in Entrepreneurship to Create a Minor in Entrepreneurship. (This is an eighteen-hour minor for non-business degree-seeking students and will provide them with skills to develop solutions that address the needs of the global consumer.)
- B. New Certificate Program (Certification of Proficiency, Technical Certificate or Graduate Certificate (existing courses; no new costs)
 - Certificate of Proficiency in Food Production and Safety. (Program covers various aspects of food safety, including proper storage, hygiene, quality control, and compliance with industry standards and regulations; empowers participants to mitigate foodborne risks and promote public health. The program will also stack into the current Food Service and Restaurant

Management degree should a learner decide to later complete the bachelor's degree. Program completion qualifies students for the National Restaurant Association ServSafe Food Protection Manager Certification Examination.)

- Certificate of Proficiency and Technical Certificate in Data Science. (These certificates will provide students with a foundation in data science, analytics, management, and applications and will prepare students for industry certification exams, teacher certification exams, and further study in data and computer science.)
- Technical Certificate for Life Sciences. (The program will allow students to complete the prerequisites for professional or graduate school while earning a credential upon completion. This program will provide an in-depth overview of branches of life sciences and build upon research methods and skills to develop informed solutions to life sciences problems and communicate life sciences topics via various presentation methods.

5.2 Five-Year Review of Academic Programs Approved in 2018:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the 2024 Academic Review Summary Report regarding academic offerings approved by the Board during the 2018 calendar year is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT those discontinued programs noted in this report and as set forth below are hereby approved for deletion.

UAPB

Master of Education in Computer Science

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

6. Report on Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting Held January 25, 2024:

Chairman Dickey reported that the Buildings and Grounds Committee met on January 25, 2024, and moved that the actions of the Committee be approved by the Board; Trustee Todd seconded. The following resolutions were adopted:

6.1 <u>Approval of Scope and Budget for the Exterior Improvements Portion of the Yocum Hall</u> Renovation Project, UAF:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, is authorized to proceed with the exterior envelope improvements portion of the Yocum Hall Renovation project.

6.2 Approval to Increase Budget for Windgate Galleries Project, UAF:

WHEREAS, in August of 2021, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, was authorized to initiate the capital project process for the Windgate Galleries project for the selection of professional design consultants and a general contractor/construction manager; and

WHEREAS, the Board previously approved the selection of the architect and general contractor for the Windgate Galleries at its November 2021 meeting, and at that time, the project was presented with a proposed cost estimate of \$34 million; and

WHEREAS, the project objectives include constructing a facility consistent with the mission and vision of the Windgate Foundation, and its objective of supporting contemporary craft and visual arts; and

WHEREAS, the cost of capital construction post-pandemic has been extremely challenging, and the material costs and supply chain issues have been further exacerbated by the pace of commercial and institutional construction activity in northwest Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, during the early planning and programming phase, it was evident that the originally proposed capital budget would not be sufficient to meet the programmatic scope of the project, requiring a revised projected budget of \$44.9 million; and

WHEREAS, the project was temporarily halted until May 2023, when a comprehensive funding strategy was proposed by the School of Art;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board hereby approves continuing the Project with the total project cost not to exceed \$44.9 million, with the additional funding coming from other private sources, gift earnings, and other non-student fee backed sources.

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 Windgate Galleries project, provided that such documents and instruments shall be reviewed by the General Counsel.

6.3 Approval to Increase Budget for the Anthony Timberlands Center Project, UAF:

WHEREAS, the Board previously approved the selection of the architect and general contractor for the Anthony Timberlands Center for Design and Materials Innovation at its March 2020 meeting. At that time, the project was presented with a proposed concept cost estimate of \$16 million; and

WHEREAS, the project objectives include constructing a building of the highest quality that will showcase Arkansas' resources and help build markets for innovative Arkansas wood products; and

WHEREAS, in recognition that the Anthony Timberlands Center was budgeted prior to the COVID Pandemic, and therefore did not reflect the cost of construction post pandemic, the Board in May 2022, authorized an increase in the capital project approval to \$33.5 million; and

WHEREAS, the final cost for the Anthony Timberlands Center project has been significantly impacted by post-pandemic national economic inflation and supply chain disruptions, as well as northwest Arkansas regional construction cost escalation; and

WHEREAS, through competitive procurement, the final total cost for the Anthony Timberlands Center project has been determined to be \$43 million;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the Board hereby approves a revised total project cost for the Anthony Timberlands Center not to exceed \$43 million, with all additional necessary funds provided through private fundraising and external grant solicitations by the Fay Jones School of Architecture and Design.

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 Anthony Timberlands Center for Design and Materials Innovation

provided that such documents and instruments shall be reviewed by the General Counsel.

6.4 <u>Approval to Enter into a Ground Lease Agreement with GHC Little Rock Hotel Ownership, LLC, UAMS</u>:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the President of the University of Arkansas System is hereby authorized to execute a Ground Lease and other appropriate contracts, if any, with GHC Little Rock Hotel Ownership, LLC ("Lessee") for approximately 1.27 acres of Board owned real property located at 6th Street and UAMS Boulevard/Cedar Streets on Lots 1-4, 13-16, / Block 4 Parts of Lots 5, 12 / Block 4 Reyburn and Wright's Addition.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Ground Lease will be for a term of 99 years, with options for extensions of two additional 10 years terms each, and shall be for the purpose of constructing and operating an approximately seven-story hotel building that will contain approximately 60,000 square feet and approximately 110 guest rooms.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, subject to review by the Office of General Counsel, the President shall be and hereby is authorized to execute such Ground Lease, and the Chancellor and campus Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration are authorized to execute such other contracts, documents and instruments and to take such further actions as may be necessary in order to carry out the purpose and intent of this Resolution.

6.5 Selection of Two Firms to Provide Design Professional Services (On-Call), UAM:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the University of Arkansas at Monticello is authorized to select SCM Architects and WDD Architects to provide professional on-call architect services for the University of Arkansas at Monticello.

6.6 Selection of a Professional Design Firm for the Clock Tower Project, UACCM:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton is authorized to select SCM Architects as design professionals for UACCM's Clock Tower Project.

6.7 <u>Selection of a Professional Design Firm for the Maintenance Warehouse Project,</u> UACCM:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT the University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton is authorized to select SCM Architects as design professionals for UACCM's Maintenance Warehouse Project.

6.8 <u>Update on Development Activities and Naming Opportunities, UAPB (Information)</u>:

Chancellor Laurence B. Alexander, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, updated the Board on recent development activity and potential naming opportunities for the UAPB campus.

6.9 Report of Easement Approved by the President (Information):

President Don Bobbitt reported the following easement has been approved since the last report to the Trustees.

Utility Easement to The City of Fayetteville (UAF).

7. Ratification of Honorary Degrees Awarded at December 2023 Commencements:

Upon motion by Trustee Fryar 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 honorary degrees granted at the fall 2023 commencement ceremonies are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved:

Dr. Alma S. Adams, Honorary Doctor of Laws, UAPB Mr. Henri Linton, Honorary Doctor of Laws, UAPB

8. <u>Authorization for Expense Reimbursement for Each Board Member for Performing Official</u> Board Duties for Calendar Year 2024:

Upon motion by Trustee Fryar 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 Board of Trustees, by a majority vote of the total membership, authorizes expense reimbursement for each board member for performing official board duties in calendar year 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the action by the Board will be fully documented in the official minutes of the meeting held on January 24-25, 2024.

9. Campus Report: Dr. Christina Drale, Chancellor, University of Arkansas at Little Rock:

Chancellor Christina Drale focused on three topic areas: 1) UA Little Rock's initiatives to improve affordability for all students, 2) the institutional goals highlighted in their new strategic plan, and 3) an introduction to the new teacher education residency program.

The university offers a number of distinctive scholarships to assist students with furthering their education. The Trojan Guarantee is offered to students who are Pell-eligible and receive the Arkansas Challenge Scholarship. It guarantees a ZERO-dollar tuition for a four-year baccalaureate degree. The Half-Off Scholarship is for incoming freshmen at any income level. The half-off tuition scholarship is applicable for the first two years. The Corporate Partner Tuition Assistance is a 10% tuition scholarship for employees of participating companies. The UAPTC Tuition Match Scholarship is offered to UAPTC students who transfer to UA Little Rock. They will receive up to two years of tuition at the UAPTC rate.

UA Little Rock has been working on their 5-Year Strategic Plan resulting in the identification of five institutional goals.

Access – Increase student access to transformative educational experiences that are affordable, versatile, and relevant.

Experience – Improve the student, faculty, and staff experience by cultivating an engaging campus community that promotes diversity, equity, and inclusivity.

Attainment – Strengthen educational attainment through academic programs leading to social and economic mobility and the achievement of students' aspirational goals.

Research – Expand the institution's applied research footprint to provide advanced educational opportunities and to broaden external impact.

Community Engagement – Enhance community engagement through partnerships and collaborations involving faculty, staff, and students that address local, state, and regional needs.

A unique feature of the plan is the formation of ten thematic component teams that have developed specific sub-goals that are aligned with one or more of the institutional level

goals. Each component goal has specific objectives and strategies to accomplish the component goal, which in turn, contributes to achieving the institutional goal.

Last year, UA Little Rock received an implementation grant from Forward Arkansas for a new approach to teacher education. Chancellor Drale invited Dean Sarah Beth Estes and her team to describe a paid teacher residency program that places student teachers in classrooms throughout the year along with mentor teachers and advisors. Four student participants in the program described their experience of becoming day-one ready for a career in teaching.

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

President Don Bobbitt thanked Chancellor Drale and her staff for hosting the Board and the UA System. He then shared thoughts on the importance of research, specifically academic research and the need to take discoveries, where appropriate, into the marketplace. UA System faculty, staff and students across the system engage in research at every level, from the basic sciences to clinical practice, to improvements in teaching methodology. He stated no one could compensate our researchers for the long hours it takes to advance knowledge, however, he wants faculty and staff engaged in research across the system to know that their efforts are greatly valued and appreciated.

11. Presentation re National Civic Review, UACS and WRI:

University of Arkansas Clinton School of Public Service Dean Dr. Victoria DeFrancesco Soto and Winthrop Rockefeller Center Director Janet Harris presented about efforts for the first Arkansas Civic Health Index, a report that shows the current status of civic engagement in Arkansas and provides tangible recommendations on how to improve citizen engagement in the state. Based on research by two Clinton School professors, the report was completed in partnership with the National Conference on Citizenship, a federally chartered nonprofit organization that works with U.S. states and municipalities to publish these reports using special data from the U.S. Census Bureau. In conjunction with the release of the report, the Winthrop Rockefeller Institute has launched Civic Arkansas, an initiative to amplify civic engagement across The Natural State. The mission of this new program is to leverage these strengths and address identified weaknesses, aiming to foster a more civically engaged Arkansas.

12. Unanimous Consent:

Chair Harriman presented the Unanimous Consent Agenda. He stated that items on this agenda are ones in which the Board has traditionally been in unanimous agreement. Upon motion by Trustee Dickey and second by Trustee Fryar, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolution Acknowledging with Appreciation Receipt of Donated Funds to The University of Arkansas Foundation, Inc., or to the University to Establish Endowed Awards, Chairs, Endowments, Funds, Lectureships, Professorships and/or Scholarships:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS THAT pursuant to Board Policy 470.2 the Board acknowledges with appreciation receipt of donated funds to The University of Arkansas Foundation, Inc. or to the University to establish the following endowed awards, endowments, fellow, funds, internships, lectureships, and scholarships:

ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR MATHEMATICS, SCIENCES AND THE ARTS

Donor's Name: Ms. Melanie Nichols

Name of Endowment: Melanie Nichols Academic Award Endowment

For the benefit of: The purpose of this gift shall be to provide an annual award to a senior at the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts (ASMSA) who has demonstrated exceptional achievements both in and beyond the classroom.

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT MONTICELLO

Donor's Name: UAM Agriculture Alumni Society

Name of Endowment: Dr. Kelly J. Bryant Endowed Scholarship for Agriculture

For the Benefit of: Forestry, Agriculture and Natural Resources

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT PINE BLUFF

Donor's Name: Dr. Gladys Turner Finney

Name of Endowment: Professor Joseph Carter Corbin Memorial Scholarship

For the Benefit of: Department of Math and Science

Donor's Name: Calvin & Janetta Booker

Name of Endowment: Calvin & Janetta Booker Endowment

For the Benefit of: School of Education, Nursing, and Dietetics and Nutrition

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK

Donor's Name: Richard Bandell Homard Trust

Name of Endowment: Dr. Richard Homard Endowed Scholarship For the Benefit of: UALR students studying applied science

Donor's Name: Carol Lee Tucker Foreman

Name of Endowment: Carol Lee Tucker Foreman Endowment Fund For the Benefit of: UALR Center for Arkansas History and Culture

Donor's Name: Cromwell

Name of Endowment: Cromwell Endowed Undergraduate Scholarship For the Benefit of: Undergraduate UALR students studying engineering.

Donor's Name: Windgate Foundation

Name of Endowment: Windgate Director of the School of Education Endowment

For the Benefit of: UALR School of Education

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES

Donor's Name: Rhonda M. Dick, M.D. and Joseph Kennedy Dick

Name of Endowment: UAMS College of Medicine Dr. Rhonda and Ken Dick Endowed

Scholarship

For the Benefit of: UAMS College of Medicine students from rural areas demonstrating a

financial need.

Donor's Name: Multiple Donors

Name of Endowment: Yeh Memorial Fund

For the Benefit of: UAMS College of Medicine to provide support for an annual lectureship

or student travel with first preference for students or faculty from Taiwan.

Donor's Name: Meena Singh Tomer and Dr. Damber Singh Tomer

Name of Endowment: Thakur Tikam Singh Tomer Endowed Fund for Excellence in the College of Medicine Department of Neurology to support the strategic initiatives of the

Virmani Gait Laboratory.

Donor's Name: Multiple Donors

Name of Endowment: Dr. Freda McKissic Bush Scholarship

For the Benefit of: UAMS College of Nursing student.

Donor's Name: Multiple Donors

Name of Endowment: The UAMS Organ Engineering and Gene Therapy Fund for

Excellence

For the Benefit of: College of Medicine to support the strategic initiatives and research efforts of the UAMS solid organ transplant program.

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS, FAYETTEVILLE

Donor's Name: Benson A. Cashion

Name of Endowment: Benson A. Cashion Endowed Scholarship in Architecture and Design

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate scholarship in Fay Jones School of Architecture and Design

Donor's Name: Katherine P. Brill

Name of Endowment: Professor Howard W. Brill Professional Responsibility Fellow

For the Benefit of: Graduate award in School of Law

Donor's Name: Cromwell Architects

Name of Endowment: Cromwell Architects Engineers Endowed Scholarship for Excellence

in Architecture

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate scholarships at Fay Jones School of Architecture and

Design

Donor's Name: Cromwell Architects

Name of Endowment: Cromwell Architects Engineers Endowed Scholarship for Excellence

in the College of Engineering

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate scholarships in College of Engineering

Donor's Name: Donor collective

Name of Endowment: Benjamin Rusty Mullen Electrical Engineering Endowed Scholarship

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate scholarship in College of Engineering

Donor's Name: Donor collective

Name of Endowment: Michael Lewis Lejong Endowed Lecture for Leadership in

Architecture

For the Benefit of: Faculty lecture in Fay Jones School of Architecture and Design

Donor's Name: Donor collective

Name of Endowment: Matthew A. Waller Business Integrity Leadership Initiative

Endowment

For the Benefit of: Campus Programs in Sam M. Walton College of Business

Donor's Name: Donor collective

Name of Endowment: Professor Gerald B. Jordan Endowed Scholarship in Journalism For the Benefit of: Undergraduate scholarship in Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences

Donor's Name: Evo Business Environments, Inc

Name of Endowment: Evo Business Environments Endowed Lecture in Interior

Architecture

For the Benefit of: Faculty lecture in Fay Jones School of Architecture and Design

Donor's Name: Faulkner Family

Name of Endowment: Faulkner Family Chancellor's Scholarship Fund for J. William

Fulbright College of Arts & Sciences

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate scholarship in J. William Fulbright College of Arts and

Sciences

Donor's Name: Faulkner Family

Name of Endowment: Faulkner Family Chancellor's Scholarship Fund for the College of

Education and Health Professions

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate Scholarship in College of Education and Health

Professions

Donor's Name: Kellen and Rori Frank

Name of Endowment: Kellen and Rori Frank Endowed Scholarship

For the Benefit of: Graduate fellowships in Sam M. Walton College of Business

Donor's Name: James and Mimi Hugg

Name of Endowment: Mimi and Jim Hugg Endowed Travel Award in Architecture and

Design

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate scholarship in Fay Jones School of Architecture and

Design

Donor's Name: Rear Adm. Mike and Mrs. Terry Johnson

Name of Endowment: RADM Mike Johnson & Mrs. Terry Johnson Civil Engineering

Leadership Endowed Scholarship

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate scholarship in College of Engineering

Donor's Name: Max Mahler

Name of Endowment: Lori Mahler Nurses Crushing COVID Endowed Award

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate award in College of Education and Health Professions

Donor's Name: Michael McAfee and Charlotte Downs

Name of Endowment: Charlotte Downs and Michael McAfee Student Success Endowed

Fund

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate student support in the Division of Student Affairs

Donor's Name: Netherton Family Living Trust

Name of Endowment: Charles F. and Mary B. Inlow Endowed Scholarship

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate scholarship in Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food & Life Sciences

Donor's Name: Olsson Foundation, Inc.

Name of Endowment: Olsson Endowed Scholarship in Civil Engineering For the Benefit of: Undergraduate scholarship in College of Engineering

Donor's Name: Dr. Luke and Janet Parsch

Name of Endowment: Lucas and Janet Parsch Endowed International Student Scholarship For the Benefit of: Undergraduate and graduate scholarship in Graduate School &

International Education

Donor's Name: Harold Prescott and donor collective

Name of Endowment: Beth Beavers Prescott Endowed Scholarship

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate scholarship in University of Arkansas Alumni

Association

Donor's Name: W. Warren Rosenaur

Name of Endowment: Preston Magruder Endowed Award in Theatre

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate award in J. William Fulbright College of Arts and

Sciences

Donor's Name: Katherine and Dudley Swann

Name of Endowment: Lt. Commander Mildred Amsinger Powers Endowed Scholarship in

Nursing

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate scholarship in College of Education and Health

Professions

Donor's Name: Felissa Williams

Name of Endowment: Dorothy Gladys B. Virginia Endowed Award

For the Benefit of: Undergraduate award in Sam M. Walton College of Business

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby ratifies and approves the establishment of the foregoing named endowments which shall be held and used pursuant to Board Policy 470.2 and the agreement or resolution of The University of Arkansas Foundation, Inc. establishing them and with such provisions as may be required to be consistent with applicable law and accomplish the donor's purposes as nearly as possible.

13. President's Report of Police Authority Granted:

Since the President's Report to the Board on November 15-16, 2023, Probationary Officers Bo Martell and Timothy Smith at UALR were upgraded from probationary status to Police Authority. Police Authority was granted to Officers DeShawn Bennett and Theodore Haase at UAPB, and to Part-Time Officer Belinda Gentry at PCCUA.

Chair-Elect Kelly Eichler presented outgoing Chair Harriman with a gavel and expressed the Trustees' sincere appreciation to him for his service on the Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion and second, the meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,	
/s/	
Kelly Eichler, Secretary	

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