



**UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
OF GEORGIA**

Board of Regents' Agenda - January 8, 2020

9:30 AM	Executive & Compensation Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra	Room 8026
9:45 AM	Call to Order Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra Invocation/ Pledge of Allegiance Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra Ms. Hadeija Manais, SGA Executive VP of Georgia State - Decatur Safety Briefing Chief of Police Bruce Holmes Approval of Minutes Secretary Edward Tate November 12th Minutes December 16th Minutes December 23rd Minutes Welcome New Regents Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra Chairman's Remarks Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra	Room 8003
9:55 AM	Three Minute Thesis (3MT) - Augusta University - Aging Stronger, Not Just Longer. Cell Biology & Anatomy Ms. Jennifer Ryan, Vice Chancellor for Communications Ms. Helen Kaiser, Augusta University, Graduate Student, Department of Cellular Biology and Anatomy	
10:00 AM	Spotlight - Georgia Archives: Preserving the Past, Promoting Lifelong Student Success Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra Dr. Christopher M. Davidson, State Archivist/Assistant Vice Chancellor Mr. Andrew J. Bramlett, 8th grade student, Kennesaw, Georgia Ms. Laura Elizabeth Nelson, University of Georgia master's student Ms. Tamika Strong, Reference Archivist, Georgia Archives	
10:25 AM	Track I Committee Meetings: Academic Affairs Regent Erin Hames	Room 7007
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Regent Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.

Track II Committee Meetings: Finance and Business Operations Room 8003
Regent Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.

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Risk and Compliance
Regent Philip A. Wilheit, Sr.

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Regent Philip A. Wilheit, Sr.

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Regent Samuel D. Holmes

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Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra

Ethics Training
Dr. John Fuchko, Vice Chancellor for Organizational Effectiveness

Chancellor's Report
Chancellor Steve Wrigley

12:00 PM Committee Reports
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E. Finance & Business Operations - Regent Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.
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G. Personnel & Benefits - Regent Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.
H. Organization & Law - Regent Don L. Waters
I. Real Estate & Facilities - Regent Samuel D. Holmes

Unfinished Business
Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra

New Business
Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra
2020 Gala Update
Regent Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.

Petitions and Communications
Secretary Edward Tate

12:10 PM Adjournment
Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra

AGENDA
EXECUTIVE AND COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

January 8, 2020

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1. **Board Self-Assessment**

Background: The Executive and Compensation Committee, on behalf of the Board of Regents, conducted a self-assessment on November 12, 2019 as specified in Section 5, item 6 of our Bylaws which states:

Self-Assessment: The Board of Regents is responsible for defining and regularly evaluating its responsibilities and expectations through a process established by the Executive and Compensation Committee. The Chancellor or Chancellor's designee shall compile any requested data in furtherance of this review.”(Bylaws of the Board of Regents, <https://www.usg.edu/regents/bylaws>)

Each member of the Board was invited to participate in this self-assessment either through attending the November 12, 2019 committee meeting or through providing feedback directly outside of the meeting. The self-assessment was designed to the following three core questions: “How are we doing? What are we doing? Are we as effective as a board as we can be?”¹ The specific questions below were designed to help the Committee answer the following core questions.

- **Do Board members understand their legal and fiduciary obligations?**
- **Do the Bylaws and actual Board practice distinguish between Board member roles and those of the Chancellor and Presidents?**
- **Is the Board structure for meetings and reports working well?**
- **How does the Board remain engaged with Chancellor and Presidential performance? Institutional mission? Institutional financial health and compliance?**

The committee agreed that Board members fully understand their legal and fiduciary obligations and have demonstrated compliance in the past and present through documenting instances of self-recusal when instances of conflicts of interest arise. Several Regents previously noted the swift and transparent response when ethical issues were raised in the past.

It was noted that SACSCOC has reinforced its expectations around regular mission review by institutional governing boards, i.e., the Board of Regents. However, it also should be noted that the Board conducted a comprehensive strategic planning initiative starting with a Board retreat in March 2019 and culminating with a new strategic plan approved at the November 12, 2019 Board meeting. The strategic plan incorporated feedback and perspectives from multiple constituency groups across Georgia and the University System to include faculty, staff, students, and external stakeholders.

¹ Resource Manual for The Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement, p.29

The distinction between the Board's role (policy-making) and the Chancellor's role (administrative) was discussed. It was agreed that the Board and Chancellor understand these different roles and that our practices are consistent with this approach. The value of in-depth briefings on key issues is valuable and should be continued. Several Board members verbalized their expectation that the Chancellor would raise any concerns should members of the Board venture too far into administrative operations while the Chancellor expressed his comfort and readiness to similarly raise a concern should he see that type of behavior.

The committee is pleased with the execution of its meetings and dissemination of reports; in particular, the practice of providing a complete Board book the Friday prior to the Board meeting was appreciated and there was general agreement that this practice should continue.

Several Regents mentioned their interest in understanding significant actions undertaken within the other track committees, i.e., Track I or Track II. Also expressed by several Regents was that the Board Chair should continue the practice of ensuring individual Regents have the opportunity to serve on both tracks over the course of their appointment to the Board. It was noted that each Regent has the opportunity to review the entire agenda and to request information or otherwise clarify any particular concerns prior to the meeting as it relates to either Track. The Chairman encouraged the committee to express their interest in serving on the various tracks to the incoming Board chair in an effort to familiarize themselves with the diverse business aspects of the System.

The Committee expressed its continued support for the in-depth presidential performance review introduced by Chancellor Wrigley and noted the Chancellor's own 360 review process and the usefulness of that review. The practice of spreading discussion of each president's performance over three Board meetings leading up to re-appointment has allowed for more thorough discussion and a more comprehensive review process. The committee remains pleased with the thoroughness and clarity of the budget presentations.

Recommended: Adopt the following practices as developed in response to the Board's November 12, 2019 self-assessment:

- a) Institutional Mission Review. System Staff will review BOR Institutional Mission Policy 2.8 to determine whether any policy or practice modifications are required to ensure compliance with SACSCOC guidelines by strengthening the Board's understanding of institutional missions, institutional requests for modification of its mission, and the Board's role in approving and overseeing the institutional mission modification process. The Board's review of institutional missions is a requirement by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), Principles of Accreditation Section 4.2a² which states, "The governing board ensures the regular review of the institution's mission."

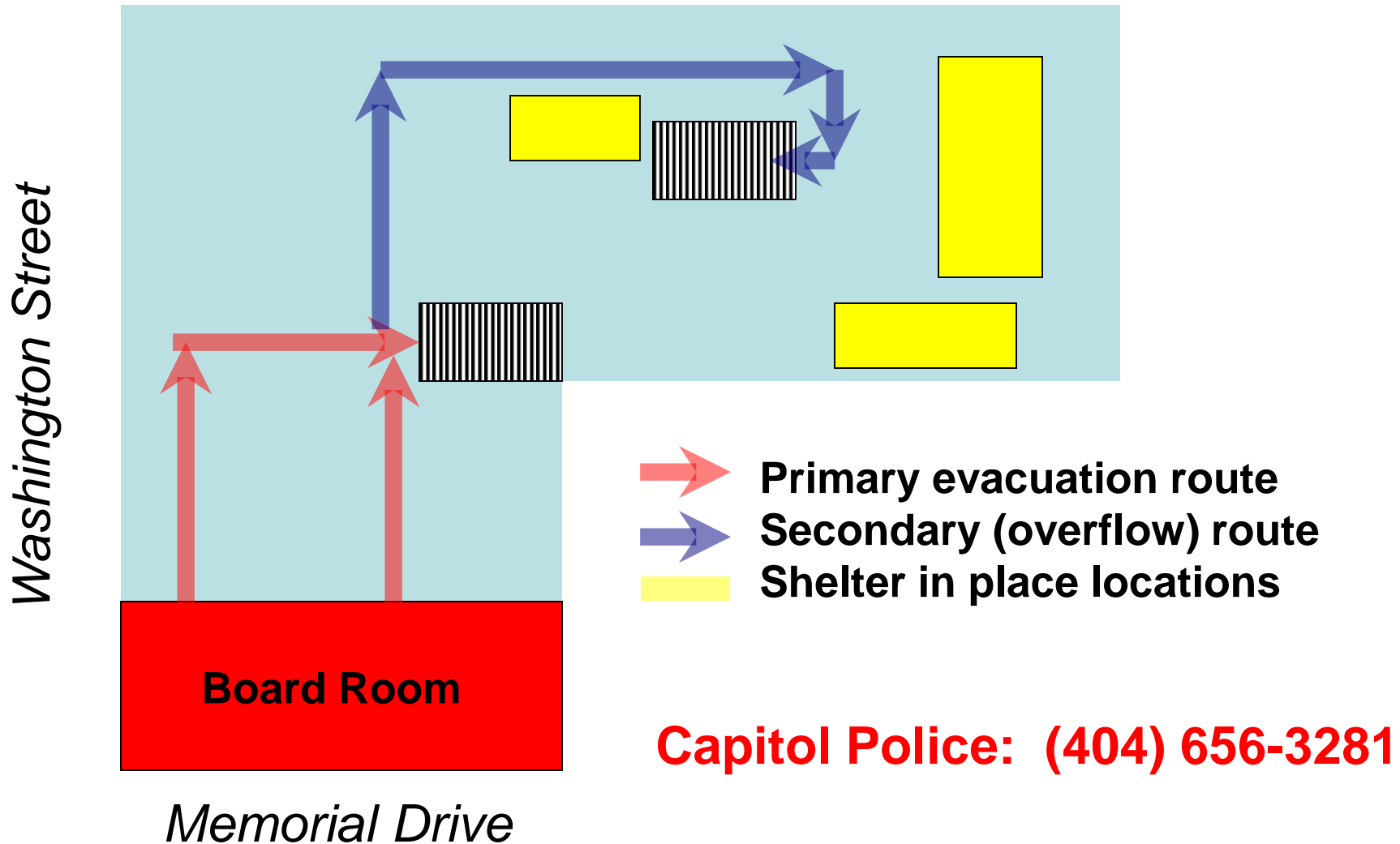
² Resource Manual for The Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement, p.22

- b) Track Committees. Continue the practice of presenting high-level items for consideration by the entire Board.



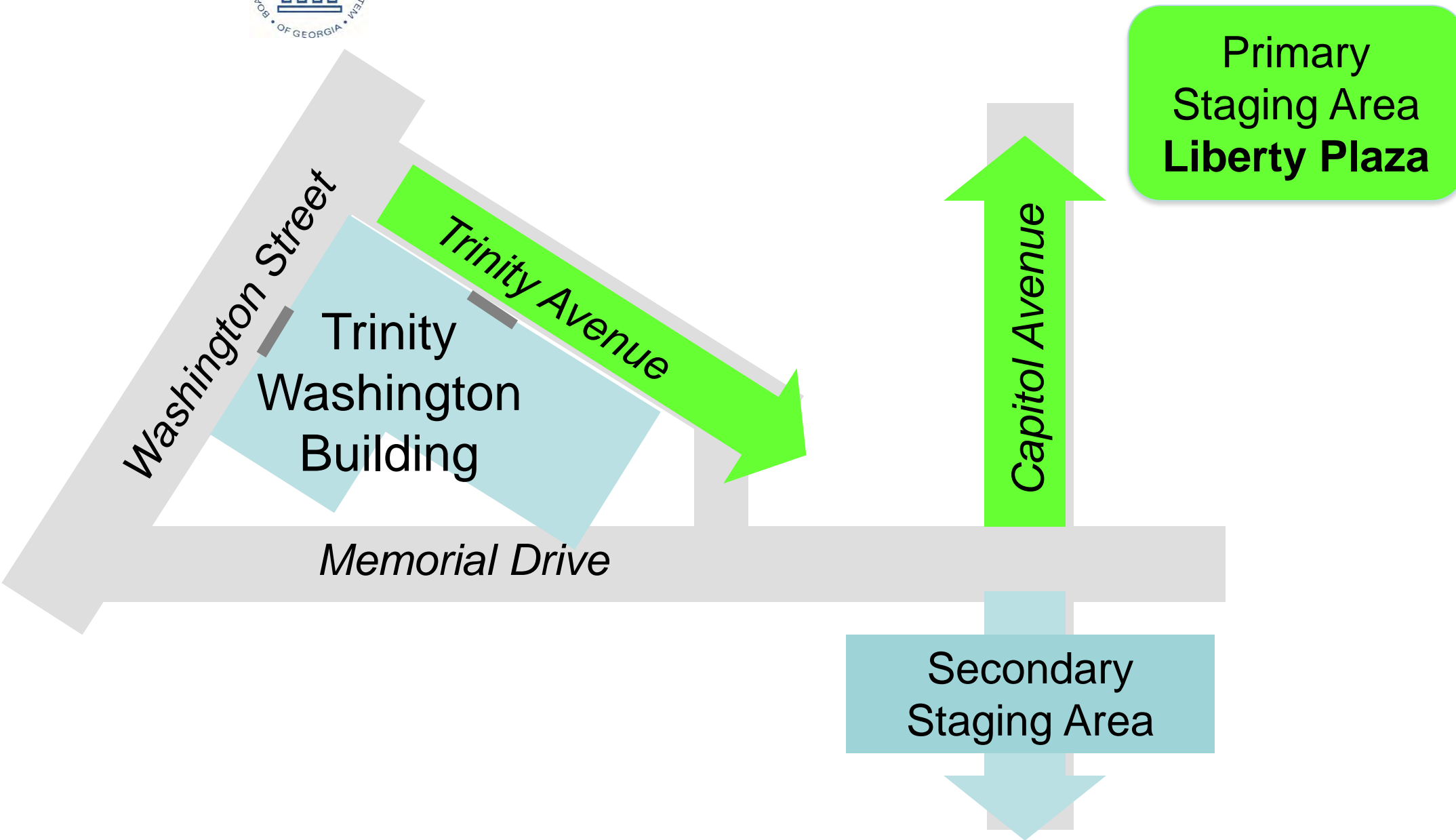
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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA
Atlanta, Georgia
November 12, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 12, 2019, in the Board Room, Room 8003 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, Atlanta, Georgia. The Chairman of the Board, Regent Don L. Waters, called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Waters, were Vice Chairman T. Rogers Wade; Regents W. Allen Gudenrath; Erin Hames; Bárbara Rivera Holmes; Samuel D. Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; James M. Hull; Laura Marsh; Jose R. Perez; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Sarah-Elizabeth Reed; Sachin D. Shailendra; E. Scott Smith; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Regents Chris Cummiskey and Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III, were excused.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Chairman Don Waters observed a moment of silence in memory of Rutledge "Rusty" Griffin, a former member of the Board of Regents and University of Georgia alumnus who died last week.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Georgia State University – Decatur Campus Student Government Association Executive Vice President Hadejja Manais gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

SAFETY BRIEFING

Chief of Police Bruce Holmes gave the safety briefing.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

With motion made and properly seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Board's meeting of October 15-16, 2019.

FALL ENROLLMENT UPDATE

Executive Director of Research and Policy Dr. Rachana Bhatt provided an update on Fall 2019 student enrollment across the University System of Georgia (USG). Total USG enrollment for the Fall 2019 semester is 333,507 students, which is a 1.5% increase in enrollment compared to Fall 2018. Eleven USG institutions saw increases in enrollment this semester, while 13 had declines and two experienced no significant change. As of Fall 2019, USG enrollment has been at a record high for four years in a row, and the USG as a whole is experiencing more positive enrollment growth than the national average.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT HIGHLIGHT – COLUMBUS STATE UNIVERSITY AND ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY

Regent Bárbara Rivera Holmes introduced an economic development highlight, which focused on the work that Columbus State University (CSU) and Albany State University (ASU) are doing to support their local and regional business communities with technology-focused academic programs.

CSU Vice President for University Advancement Dr. Rocky Kettering described the university's partnership with TSYS, one of the world's leading financial firms. By aligning its curriculum and instruction with workplace needs, CSU has built a strong talent pipeline for TSYS and other technology businesses in the area. Jacob Worthington, a 2018 CSU graduate who works at TSYS in cybersecurity and business analysis, spoke of his experience as an undergraduate student in the TSYS School of Computer Science. Mr. Worthington was one of the first students of cybersecurity at CSU and completed a related internship at TSYS that led him to his current career. Brandon Corn, a junior in computer science, spoke of the skills, experience, and certifications he has acquired at CSU that will make him a competitive candidate in the job market once he graduates.

Dr. Robert Owor, interim chair of the mathematics and computer science department at ASU, described how the campus is empowering its students to take on challenges facing agribusiness, southwest Georgia's most critical industry. Dr. Tripp Morgan, founder and CEO of Pretoria Farms, spoke of the company's partnership with ASU. ASU computer science students Sabrina Netters and Amiralca Johnson recently completed an apprenticeship with Pretoria Farms. They described how they used algorithms and machine learning to solve problems in agriculture, save money, improve productivity, and conserve natural resources.

THREE MINUTE THESIS – GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Vice Chancellor for Communications Jen Ryan introduced the winner of the Georgia State University Three Minute Thesis competition, which requires participants to condense their theses into a format that is easier for a broader audience to understand. Mary Fernandes, a Ph.D. candidate in clinical neuropsychology, spoke of her work analyzing the connection between physical reactions and levels of depression and anxiety

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Board Chairman Don L. Waters began by thanking Chancellor Steve Wrigley and his staff for their hard work and effective management during 2019. He also thanked the Governor's Office and the members of the Georgia General Assembly for their partnership and support of public higher education in the state. The Chairman drew special attention to the Mental Health Task Force, which was announced by the Chancellor last month and will address a critical issue facing many USG students. He also stressed the importance of ethics and integrity on campus and across the USG. Chairman Waters thanked his fellow Regents for a year of growth and joy and welcomed incoming Board Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra and incoming Board Vice Chairman James M. Hull, who will lead the Board in 2020. The Chairman ended by thanking his wife, Mrs. Cindy Waters, for her love and support over the years.

RECESS

The Board recessed for Committee meetings.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Upon reconvening, Vice Chancellor of Research and Policy Analysis Dr. Angela Bell and Dalton State College President Margaret Venable presented the new USG strategic plan for approval. Since its most recent update to the Board in October, the Strategic Plan Working Group has incorporated feedback gathered from diverse groups of stakeholders across the USG and the state. The proposed strategic plan focuses on four main priorities of student success, responsible stewardship, economic competitiveness, and community impact.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Chancellor Wrigley began his report by thanking all veterans and active duty military personnel for their service and commemorating Veterans Day. He also thanked the University System Office staff and the 26 USG institutions for their hard work this year. The Chancellor thanked outgoing Board Chairman Don L. Waters for his service and passion for public education, and welcomed Chairman-elect Sachin D. Shailendra, who will lead the Board in 2020. Lastly, he welcomed Tommy Marshall, the new director of the Georgia FinTech Academy, to the USG.

The Chancellor spoke of the importance of innovation in Georgia's economy and stressed that higher education must be ready to reinvent itself to meet the challenges and opportunities that face the industry in the 21st century. He described the progress that the USG has made related to increasing the number of degrees awarded each year, reducing administrative costs, and improving completion and efficiency. He also described the new strategic plan, which was approved by the Board earlier today, and thanked Dr. Angela Bell and the members of the Strategic Plan Working Group for their hard work and leadership.

Chancellor Wrigley then shared some highlights from across the University System. He spoke of the work done in support of the USG's commitment to affordability, including the creation of the Fee Working Group. This group, which is chaired by Kennesaw State University President Pamela Whitten, will review and evaluate all

student fees across the USG and recommend ways to lessen the impact on students and their families. The Chancellor also mentioned that the USG has partnered with the Georgia Chamber of Commerce to promote the 2020 InVenture Prize contest. The 2019 InVenture Prize was awarded to a team from Fort Valley State University that created a retractable electrical outlet.

Chancellor Wrigley concluded his remarks with a historical note. On this day in 1966, NASA astronaut Buzz Aldrin took the first selfie photograph in space.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Reports of the standing committees are attached hereto. Upon motions made and duly seconded, the Board unanimously approved and adopted the reports of the following committees:

- the Executive & Compensation Committee
- the Committee on Academic Affairs
- the Committee on Internal Audit, Risk, and Compliance
- the Committee on Finance & Business Operations
- the Committee on Organization & Law
- the Committee on Real Estate & Facilities

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

With motions made and properly seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to appoint Regents Sachin D. Shailendra and James M. Hull as 2020 Chairman and Vice Chairman, respectively.

NEW BUSINESS

Regent Neil L. Pruitt, Jr., gave an update on the 2020 USG Foundation Gala. The event will be held on Friday, February 21, 2020, at the St. Regis Hotel in Atlanta. The USG Foundation Gala raises funds for needs-based scholarships for students across the USG.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

There were no petitions. Secretary to the Board Edward Tate announced that the next BOR meeting will be held on January 8, 2020, at the Board's offices in Atlanta.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Waters called for an executive session at approximately 1:26 p.m. to discuss personnel matters and student records. With motion properly made and variously seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to go into executive session. An affidavit regarding this executive session is on file with the Office of the Secretary to the Board.

RECONVENE

Following executive session, Chairman Waters reconvened the Board meeting in its regular session at approximately 1:49 p.m. and announced that the Board took no actions during the executive session.

With motion made and variously seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to waive Board of Regents Policy 2.1 regarding the appointment of interim presidents and to appoint Dr. Georgj Lewis President of Atlanta Metropolitan State College, at a level of compensation to be negotiated by the Chancellor.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Don L. Waters
Chairman, Board of Regents
University System of Georgia

Edward M. Tate
Secretary, Board of Regents
University System of Georgia

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE & COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

The Executive & Compensation Committee of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 9:31 a.m. in Room 8026 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, Atlanta, Georgia. Board Chairman Don L. Waters called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Waters, were Board Vice Chairman T. Rogers Wade; Regents W. Allen Gudenrath; Erin Hames; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Samuel D. Holmes; Bárbara Rivera Holmes; James M. Hull; Laura Marsh; Jose R. Perez; Sarah-Elizabeth Reed; Sachin D. Shailendra; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Regent Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III, was excused. Chancellor Steve Wrigley and several members of his staff also were present.

INFORMATION ITEM

The Committee conducted its annual self-assessment pursuant to Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) requirements. Chancellor Steve Wrigley and Vice Chancellor for Organizational Effectiveness John Fuchko shared the results of changes made in response to last year's self-assessment. The Committee also discussed opportunities to improve the Board's functions this year. The results of this assessment will be shared in more detail at the January 2020 Board Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

The Committee on Academic Affairs of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 11:06 a.m. in Room 7007 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairman C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr., called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Hopkins, were Regents W. Allen Gudenrath, Bárbara Rivera Holmes, Laura Marsh, Sarah-Elizabeth Reed, and E. Scott Smith. Committee Vice Chairman Chris Cummiskey was excused. Unless otherwise noted, the Regents present approved all items unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

1. The Committee approved proposed revisions to the Gordon State College mission statement.
2. The Committee approved the establishment of a Bachelor of Social Work at Middle Georgia State University.
3. The Committee approved the establishment of a Bachelor of Arts with a major in applied art and design at Middle Georgia State University.
4. The Committee approved the termination of four academic programs at the University of Georgia.
5. The Committee approved proposed revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 2.8, Institutional Mission.
6. The Committee approved proposed revisions to the *Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 3.8, Degrees.
7. The Committee approved Gordon State College's request to grant out of state border waivers to all approved states, and Clayton State University's request to grant out of state border waivers to South Carolina residents.

CONSENT ITEMS

8. The Committee approved the establishment of the Dr. Samuel C. Benedict Professorship at the University of Georgia.
9. The Committee approved the appointment of several endowed faculty positions at Georgia State University and the University of Georgia.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for Committee consideration, the meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION AND LAW

The Committee on Organization and Law of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at 11:28 a.m. in Room 7007 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairwoman Sarah-Elizabeth Reed called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairwoman Reed, were Committee Vice Chairwoman Laura Marsh; Regents W. Allen Gudenrath; Bárbara Rivera Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; and E. Scott Smith. Regent Chris Cummiskey was excused. Unless otherwise noted, the Regents present approved all items unanimously.

APPROVAL ITEM

The Committee approved Georgia Southwestern State University President Neal Weaver's request to award an honorary degree to Dr. Michael Pruett.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairwoman Reed called for an executive session at 11:30 a.m. to discuss personnel matters and student records. With motion properly made and seconded, the Regents who were present voted unanimously to go into executive session. An affidavit regarding this executive session is on file in the Office of the Secretary to the Board.

RECONVENE

After the Committee exited executive session, Chairwoman Reed reconvened the Committee in its regular session at 11:35 a.m. and announced that no actions were taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

**MINUTES OF THE
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND BUSINESS OPERATIONS**

The Committee on Finance and Business Operations met at approximately 11:07 a.m. in Room 8003 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Shailendra, were Regents Erin Hames; Samuel D. Holmes; James M. Hull; Jose R. Perez; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Chancellor Steve Wrigley, Board Chairman Don. L Waters, and Board Vice Chairman T. Rogers Wade also were present. Regent Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III, was excused.

INFORMATION ITEM

Executive Vice Chancellor for Strategy & Fiscal Affairs Tracey Cook presented the Fiscal Year 2020 first quarter financial update.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:16 a.m.

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE & FACILITIES

The Committee on Real Estate & Facilities of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 11:16 a.m. in Room 8003 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Vice Chairman Neil L. Pruitt, Jr., called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Vice Chairman Pruitt, were Regents Erin Hames; Samuel D. Holmes; James M. Hull; Jose R. Perez; Sachin D. Shailendra; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Chancellor Steve Wrigley, Board Chairman Don L. Waters, and Board Vice Chairman T. Rogers Wade also were present. Committee Chairman Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III, was excused. Unless otherwise noted, the Regents present approved all items unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Vice Chancellor for Real Estate & Facilities Jim James provided the Committee with a written report of real estate actions taken pursuant to the Chancellor's delegated authority between July 1, 2019, and October 31, 2019.
2. Vice Chancellor James informed the Committee about a proposed project to construct a new student residence hall on the Marietta campus of Kennesaw State University.

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3. The Committee authorized Project No. BR-82-2001, Coastal Community Center for Arts, at the College of Coastal Georgia.
4. The Committee authorized Project No. BR-10-2003, Butts-Mehre Heritage Hall Expansion and Renovation, at the University of Georgia.
5. The Committee authorized Project No. PPV-10-2001, New First-Year Student Residence Hall, at the University of Georgia and delegated specific authority to the Chancellor to approve the design professional firm rankings.
6. The Committee approved a rental agreement for space at 817 West Peachtree St., NW, Atlanta, for the Georgia Institute of Technology.
7. The Committee approved amendments to two rental agreements for space at 171 17th Street, Atlanta, for the Georgia Institute of Technology.

APPROVAL ITEMS

8. The Committee authorized the acquisition of real property located at 269 Morrison Moore Parkway in Dahlonega, and authorized Project No. BR-68-2001, Renovation for New Public Safety Facility, at the University of North Georgia.
9. The Committee declared approximately 8 acres of real property north of U.S. Highway 20 in Cartersville to be no longer advantageously useful to Georgia Highlands College or the USG and authorized the grant of a non-exclusive easement to Anverse, Inc. or its affiliated entity.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:29 a.m.

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON INTERNAL AUDIT, RISK AND COMPLIANCE

The Committee on Internal Audit, Risk and Compliance of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 11:29 a.m. in Room 8003 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chairman Kessel D. Stelling, Jr., called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Stelling, were Committee Vice Chairwoman Erin Hames; Regents Samuel D. Holmes; James M. Hull; Jose R. Perez; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Sachin D. Shailendra; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Chancellor Steve Wrigley, Board Chairman Don L. Waters, and Board Vice Chairman Thomas Rogers Wade also were present. Regent Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III, was excused. Unless otherwise noted, the Regents present approved all items unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Stelling called for an executive session at approximately 11:30 a.m. to discuss personnel matters. With motion properly made and seconded, the Regents who were present voted unanimously to go into executive session. An affidavit regarding this executive session is on file in the Office of the Secretary to the Board.

RECONVENE

After the Committee exited Executive Session, Chairman Stelling reconvened the Committee in its regular session at approximately 11:45 a.m. and announced that no actions were taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:46 a.m.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA
Atlanta, Georgia
December 16, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met on Monday, December 16, 2019, via a special called telephonic meeting. The Chairman of the Board, Regent Don L. Waters, called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 p.m. Present, in addition to Chairman Waters, were Board Vice Chairman T. Rogers Wade; Regents W. Allen Gudenrath; Samuel D. Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; James M. Hull; Rachel B. Little; Laura Marsh; Jose R. Perez; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; E. Scott Smith; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Regents Chris Cummiskey, Erin Hames, Bárbara Rivera Holmes, Sarah-Elizabeth Reed, and Sachin Shailendra were excused.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 1:03 p.m., Chairman Waters called for an executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. With motion made and variously seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to go into executive session. An affidavit regarding the executive session is on file with the Office of the Secretary to the Board.

RECONVENE

Chairman Waters reconvened the Board meeting in its regular session at approximately 1:08 p.m. and announced that no actions were taken during the executive session.

NEW BUSINESS

With motion made and variously seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to name Dr. Brendan Kelly as the finalist for the position of University of West Georgia president. The finalist will be presented for full Board of Regents consideration during a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 1:11 p.m.

Don L. Waters
Chairman, Board of Regents
University System of Georgia

Edward M. Tate
Secretary, Board of Regents
University System of Georgia

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA
Atlanta, Georgia
December 23, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met on Monday, December 23, 2019, via a special called telephonic meeting. The Chairman of the Board, Regent Don L. Waters, called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 p.m. Present, in addition to Chairman Waters, were Board Vice Chairman T. Rogers Wade; Regents Chris Cummiskey; Erin Hames; Bárbara Rivera Holmes; Samuel D. Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; James M. Hull; Rachel B. Little; Laura Marsh; Jose R. Perez; Sachin D. Shailendra; E. Scott Smith; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Regents W. Allen Gudenrath; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; and Sarah-Elizabeth Reed were excused.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 1:02 p.m., Chairman Waters called for an executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. With motion made and variously seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to go into executive session. An affidavit regarding the executive session is on file with the Office of the Secretary to the Board.

RECONVENE

Chairman Waters reconvened the Board meeting in its regular session at approximately 1:04 p.m. and announced that no actions were taken during the executive session.

NEW BUSINESS

With motion made and variously seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to appoint previously named finalist Dr. Brendan Kelly as President of University of West Georgia, at a level of compensation negotiated by the Chancellor, with a start date of April 1, 2020, and for Dr. Stuart Rayfield to remain Interim President until that time.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 1:05 p.m.

Don L. Waters
Chairman, Board of Regents
University System of Georgia

Edward M. Tate
Secretary, Board of Regents
University System of Georgia

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1. **Information Item**

Orientation to the Board of Regents Committee on Academic Affairs (COAA)

Abstract: Dr. Tristan Denley, Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs will provide an orientation to the work conducted by the Committee on Academic Affairs.

2. Establishment of a Bachelor of Science with a major in public service leadership, South Georgia State College.

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of President Ingrid Thompson-Sellers that South Georgia State College (“SGSC”) be approved to offer a Bachelor of Science with a major in public service leadership, effective January 8, 2020.

Need and Demand

The need for workforce expertise in social and community service, social work, public relations and fundraising, and administrative services is borne out in current national and state employment projections data for entry-level occupations related to the proposed program. According to the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics *Occupational Outlook Handbook* September 4, 2019, update of labor data, all of the aforementioned occupations are projected up to 2028 to experience “faster than average” to “much faster than average” growth rates

The PMP data for 2016-2026 further bears out the need for professionals educated in career tracks related to the proposed program in Georgia and Florida (from which SGSC draws most of the institution’s out-of-state students. PMP projected long-term employment growth rates for sample program-relevant occupations in Georgia are as follows: social and community service managers: 17.8%; fundraisers: 21.5%; administrative services managers: 15.7%; community and social service specialists: 16.7%; child, family, and school social workers: 14.1%. The average projected growth rate for all occupations is 11.7%; therefore, it is clear that each of the proposed program-related occupations has a projected growth rate exceeding the average rate for all occupations in Georgia.

Program Summary

The B. S. in Public Service Leadership is a highly interdisciplinary, applied learning approach to the study of public and nonprofit service organizations and societal issues addressed and managed by such organizations. The program emphasizes independent research projects and hands-on experiential service internships with community public and nonprofit agencies and organizations in social services, health, government, charitable services, churches, and the arts. Graduates of this program can pursue careers in state and local government, nonprofit work, education, advocacy work, public administration, community development, church lay ministries, and social services. In addition to the objectives above, SGSC will apply to the student experience the basic principles of the Association of American Colleges & Universities (AAC&U) LEAP challenge, which is also integral to SGSC’s Complete College Georgia strategies.

2. Establishment of a Bachelor of Science with a major in public service leadership, South Georgia State College (Continued)

List of Similar Programs¹

Institution	2017	2018	2019
Middle Georgia State University			
Enrollment	109	143	133
Graduation	33	31	20
College of Coastal Georgia			
Enrollment	25	42	20
Graduation	20	7	6

¹USG Qlik

Fiscal and Facilities

All necessary personnel are currently employed and therefore budgeted and there are no facilities implications.

Assessment

The Office of Academic Affairs will work with the institution to measure the success and continued effectiveness of the proposed program. The review is in concert with the institution's schedule of comprehensive program reviews.

3. Establishment of a Bachelor of Science in Ocean Science, University of Georgia

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of President Jere Morehead that the University of Georgia (“UGA”) be approved to offer a Bachelor of Science in Ocean Science, effective January 8, 2020.

Need and Demand

The need for highly trained professionals in the area of ocean research and education is well-documented. In its most recent report, the NSF Advisory Committee for Geosciences (which includes Ocean Sciences) highlighted the need to “increase undergraduate student exposure to the geosciences overall and increase the number of undergraduate students earning bachelor’s degrees in geoscience majors”. It has been estimated that the U.S. production of bachelor’s degrees in geosciences is insufficient to supply anticipated need.

Program Summary

The Ocean Science (B.S.) program will provide undergraduate students with a deep, interdisciplinary understanding of the structure and function of all aspects of the global oceans and their interactions with the earth and atmosphere system and equip them with the critical thinking skills and analytical tools to design, carry out, and interpret scientific studies in a broad range of environmental fields. We envision a vibrant program in which a large proportion of our majors spend a semester on the coast (highly encouraged, but not required) involved in courses and research. The program will thus leverage UGA coastal facilities (Skidaway Institute and Marine Institute) to provide students with experiential opportunities in the ocean environment. For those students who cannot participate in the coastal semester at Skidaway Institute, we envision a number of different ways that students can meet the requirements: research opportunities are available on campus with our Athens faculty, courses taught at Skidaway Institute can be taken via our distance teaching and learning video conferencing capabilities or other courses will be made available

List of Similar Programs¹

Institution	2017	2018	2019
Savannah State University ²			
Enrollment	79	79	92
Graduation	12	6	12

USG Qlik

²Bachelor of Science with a major in marine science

3. Establishment of a Bachelor of Science in Ocean Science, University of Georgia
(Continued)

Fiscal and Facilities

All faculty resources needed for the program are pre-existing. The faculty members from Marine Sciences in Athens and at Skidaway Institute will fulfill the instructional needs in the proposed program.

Assessment

The Office of Academic Affairs will work with the institution to measure the success and continued effectiveness of the proposed program. The review is in concert with the institution's schedule of comprehensive program reviews.

4. Establishment of a Master of Science with a major in computer science, Augusta University

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of President Brooks Keel that Augusta University (“AU”) be approved to offer a Master of Science with a major in computer science, effective January 8, 2020.

Need and Demand

The demand for master’s degrees, even for entry-level jobs, is continuing to increase. A Northeastern University report¹ estimates “more than 152,000 open graduate-level job listings in the computer science industry, and 24 percent of employers prefer or require candidates with a master’s degree.” Moreover, according to the Bureau of Labor and Statistics,² there are 27,900 job listings for Computer and Information Research Scientists where the *entry-level* jobs require a master’s degree. This need is growing, whereas nationally only 16,000 master’s degrees are awarded each year.

The latest Taulbee Survey reports that “On a per department basis, computer master’s degree production ... rose over 19 percent in 2016-17; this follows approximately 17 and 25 percent increases in the previous two years. Both public and private departments again reported large increases.” Computing continues to remain the only major sector of the economy in which the number of jobs exceeds the supply of people with degrees at bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral levels *combined*. In addition, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that the job outlook for computer scientists between 2016 and 2026 is expected to increase by 19 percent, much faster than average. The typical entry-level education for these positions is a master’s degree in computer science.

Program Summary

The 30-credit program will align with similar programs at leading research universities and provide students with graduate level coverage of algorithms, theory, and systems, complemented by advanced topics in cybersecurity. The electives will be chosen from the courses on programming languages, cyber-physical systems, formal methods, networked and distributed systems, and machine learning. The degree will have a thesis-based program and course based (non-thesis) version.

¹ <https://www.northeastern.edu/graduate/blog/popular-master-in-computer-science-jobs/>

² <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/computer-and-information-technology/home.htm>

4. Establishment of a Master of Science with a major in computer science,
Augusta University (Continued)

List of Similar Programs¹

Institution	2017	2018	2019
Georgia Institute of Technology			
Enrollment	6,237	8,166	8,001
Graduation	583	940	1114
Georgia State University			
Enrollment	120	123	128
Graduation	58	61	50
University of Georgia			
Enrollment	78	101	108
Graduation	17	25	67
Georgia Southern University			
Enrollment	22	22	15
Graduation	4	3	4
Georgia Southwestern University			
Enrollment	18	11	20
Graduation	10	12	4
Columbus State University			
Enrollment			
Graduation	39	35	22
University of West Georgia			
Enrollment			
Graduation	15	15	12
¹ USG Qlik ¹			

**4. Establishment of a Master of Science with a major in computer science,
Augusta University (Continued)**

Fiscal and Facilities

Augusta University's existing infrastructure will support this new program, with no additional costs to provide office and/or teaching space, student support services, classroom utilization, or access to technology resources. The School will use fourteen (14) full-time faculty to teach the proposed curriculum.

Assessment

The Office of Academic Affairs will work with the institution to measure the success and continued effectiveness of the proposed program. The review is in concert with the institution's schedule of comprehensive program reviews.

5. Establishment of a Master of Science in Robotics, Georgia Institute of Technology

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of President Angel Cabrera that Georgia Institute of Technology (“GIT”) be approved to offer a Master of Science in Robotics, effective January 8, 2020.

Need and Demand

The Georgia Chamber of Commerce expects Advanced Automation to be one of the strongest areas of growth in Georgia over the next decade. The robotics and automation industry overall is expanding rapidly and along with it a need for experienced educated and qualified professionals to serve and lead these companies. National searches report the current demand in the United States as ranging from 6,267 open positions in robotics (Indeed.com) to 15,336 (LinkedIn).

The Association for Advancing Automation (A3) supports Georgia Tech’s plan to offer a new master’s degree in robotics. A3 represents over 1,150 member companies who are driving the automation industry forward: “When we ask our member companies what their biggest challenge is, the overwhelming answer is the challenge of finding qualified employees to fill the open positions that they all have today. By far. We see a significant shortfall in engineers with a robotics background and a master’s degree program would help address that skills gap. Many studies have proven that this skills gap exists and it will only worsen if it isn’t addressed. We support any institution such as Georgia Tech that is working to alleviate this problem for the future of the robotics and automation industry”.

Program Summary

The 36 credit-hour, cohort-based program is a professional Master of Science in Robotics over four semesters designed to produce industry-ready engineers and scientists with the theoretical knowledge and practical skills needed to meet the challenges of rapidly growing interdisciplinary technologies in professional careers related to designing and developing robotics and automation solutions. Such a program is in high demand by not only students but also a growing list of local and global companies interested in robotics and factory automation. Graduating students will find employment in traditional industries such as manufacturing, defense, security, and transportation. Add to this emerging opportunities in forestry, agriculture, entertainment, homeland security, healthcare applications, and law enforcement. The robotics field relies on fundamental technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, high-energy batteries, low-power motors, lightweight structures, and fast, embedded computers.

5. Establishment of a Master of Science in Robotics, Georgia Institute of Technology (Continued)

List of Similar Programs

There is only one other Masters degree in Robotics in the USG. Columbus State University was recently approved in 2019. There are only 7 institutions across the country that offer this degree.

Fiscal and Facilities

The MS Robotics can be initially supported using existing faculty. In the long term, it might be beneficial to add faculty specializing in robotics to each of CoS, CoE, and CoC. Such faculty should have a PhD in robotics or a closely related field, and each unit's new hires should specialize in an area of robotics appropriate to their department unit.

Differential Tuition: The Committee on Finance and Budget will address the following at its January 8, 2020 meeting.

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of the Georgia Institute of Technology for a professional program in-state tuition rate of \$8,028 per semester (\$669/credit hour) and a professional program out-of-state tuition rate of \$17,700 per semester (\$1,475 per credit hour) for the Master of Science in Robotics degree program, effective Fall semester 2020.

Background: The Board of Regents will be considering approval of the establishment of the Master of Science (MS) in Robotics at Georgia Institute of Technology during the January 2020 meeting. The program is designed to produce industry-ready engineers and scientists with the theoretical knowledge and practical skills needed in professional careers related to designing and developing robotics and automation solutions. Graduating students will find employment in traditional industries such as manufacturing, defense, security, and transportation, as well as emerging opportunities in forestry, agriculture, entertainment, homeland security, healthcare applications, and law enforcement.

The 36 credit-hour, cohort-based program is taught over four semesters in a hybrid online/face-to-face format. The MS in Robotics will be an interdisciplinary program offered collaboratively by six schools in the Colleges of Computing, Engineering, and Sciences. These are the schools of Aerospace Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Interactive Computing, Mechanical Engineering, and Physics. Students may apply to enter the program through any one of the participating units, the choice of which usually reflects that student's intended area of specialization and general background.

Georgia Tech is requesting Board approval of the professional program tuition rate of \$8,028 per semester (\$669/credit hour) and a professional program out-of-state tuition rate of \$17,700 per semester (\$1,475 per credit hour) for the program, effective Fall semester 2020. This rate is the equivalent of a total tuition cost of \$24,084 for in-state students and \$53,100 for out-of-state students under this 36 credit hour program. This will be the first MS in Robotics offered in the University System of Georgia. The requested program rate is nationally competitive, and

5. Establishment of a Master of Science in Robotics, Georgia Institute of Technology (Continued)

consistent with Board Policy 7.3.1.3. The differential tuition will be applied towards an academic coordinator to ensure coordination across the six collaborative schools, specialized robotic hardware, and research opportunities for capstone projects.

Assessment

The Office of Academic Affairs will work with the institution to measure the success and continued effectiveness of the proposed program. The review is in concert with the institution's schedule of comprehensive program reviews.

6. Establishment of a Doctor of Science with a major in information technology, Middle Georgia State University

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of President Christopher Blake that Middle Georgia State University (“MGSU”) be approved to offer a Doctor of Science with a major in information technology, effective January 8, 2020.

Need and Demand

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (2018), the job outlook for computer and research scientists is 16% higher than the average job demand over the next ten years, with the expectation that 31,700 jobs will be filled by industry researchers trained in higher education for critical leadership roles, including CIO’s and CEO’s. From the same projection, computer occupations in general show a 12% growth expectation, 7% higher than the total for all occupations (5%). For computers and information systems managers, the ten-year outlook is at 11%; and the projection for IT operations specialists is 10%, with an estimated change of 46,800 jobs. These national figures allow the extrapolation that thousands of these jobs will be in Georgia and the Southeastern United States.

Program Summary

Middle Georgia State University's Doctor of Science (DSc) in Information Technology is designed for aspiring technology leaders wishing to achieve senior technology leadership positions within private and public sectors, consulting firms, and academia. The DSc program requires students to complete 54 hours of graduate coursework. The courses are in the areas of quantitative analysis, prediction analysis, decision sciences, leading in disruptive technology disciplines, IT leadership, strategic thinking, organization behavior, data science, research, leadership/management, as well as focus-areas in current and emerging topics. Students will experience intense instruction in research and scholarship and will develop doctoral-level examples of research as outcomes of their curriculum. The DSc in Information Technology will be offered online, except for high-impact onsite weekend seminars for orientation, research development, and project presentations. The course of study is designed to fit the lifestyles of working professionals.

List of Similar Programs

There are no other programs in the state that will duplicate this DSc IT, nor are there programs at MGA that will overlap with this new program.

6. Establishment of a Doctor of Science with a major in information technology, Middle Georgia State University (Continued)

Fiscal and Facilities

Middle Georgia State University will submit a substantive change request to SACSCOC to offer its first doctoral degree, approved by SACSCOC, the program will add two full-time faculty members over the first two years of the program. These faculty members will hold Ph.D.'s in computer and decision sciences.

Assessment

The Office of Academic Affairs will work with the institution to measure the success and continued effectiveness of the proposed program. The review is in concert with the institution's schedule of comprehensive program reviews.

7. **Establishment of a Doctor of Nursing Practice with a major in nursing practice, Valdosta State University**

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of President Richard Carvajal that Valdosta State University (“VSU”) be approved to offer a Doctor of Nursing Practice with a major in nursing practice, effective January 8, 2020.

Need and Demand: Currently Georgia has 221 designated Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSA). The result being that only 47% of the citizens within these regions have access to health care at the level required to meet their primary health needs. Professional nursing education groups (National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties), professional nursing program accrediting agencies (Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education) and landmark studies into the future of nursing (Institute of Medicine) emphasize the pivotal role of DNP’s in impacting the health of our citizenry particularly in rural areas.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics (2018) Occupational Outlook Handbook² predicts that openings for NPs in the U.S. will increase 36 percent between 2016 and 2026, substantially faster than the average 7 percent growth anticipated across all occupations during that time. In Georgia, nurse practitioner jobs are projected to increase by approximately 53 percent between 2014 and 2024 (GraduateNursingEDU.org, 2017). (AACN, 2017; IOM, 2010).

The proposed DNP program will be the first DNP program at a public institution in VSU’s 41 county region in South Georgia. The approval of a DNP program not only helps to provide additional primary care providers, it also helps to address the nursing faculty shortage across the state. Forecasts indicate that RN shortages will grow across the country between 2009 and 2030 with the largest shortage of nurses in the South (Juraschek, Zhang, Ranganathan, & Lin, 2012).

Program Summary

The BSN-DNP program consists of 81-credit hours/10 semester program that will be offered in a hybrid format during the completion of the master's-level courses and will be consistent with VSU's current MSN program. Although VSU currently offers three Nurse Practitioner (NP) tracks in the MSN program, the BSN-DNP program will initially be focused on the Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) credential. Students will be offered an opportunity to earn the MSN upon successful completion of those requirements and will be able to take the APRN certification exam prior to matriculating to the doctoral-level courses if desired. The DNP portion of the program will be offered fully online except for a face-to-face orientation and an on-campus short, concentrated session. The benefit for students in the BSN-DNP program will be the overall reduction of credit hours (81 credit hours) as compared to completing a MSN and DNP as separate programs (93 credit hours).

7. **Establishment of a Doctor of Nursing Practice with a major in nursing practice, Valdosta State University (Continued)**

List of Similar Programs¹

Augusta University	2017	2018	2019
Enrollment	162	208	271
Graduation	42	46	50
Georgia Southern University			
Enrollment	102	89	135
Graduation	0	7	4
Georgia State University			
Enrollment	31	39	36
Graduation	10	7	18
Georgia College and State University			
Enrollment	37	32	32
Graduation	5	17	18
University of North Georgia ²			
Enrollment	NA	NA	10
Graduation	NA	NA	NA
¹ USG Qlik			
² Approved in 2018			

USG has four doctoral degree in nursing programs that are not a DNP degree model. Augusta and Georgia State University offer a PhD, and Kennesaw has offered a Doctor of Science in nursing, The University of West Georgia offers nurses a doctoral option of an Ed.D. with a certification in nursing education.

7. Establishment of a Doctor of Nursing Practice with a major in nursing practice, Valdosta State University (Continued)

Fiscal and Facilities: VSU will utilize existing faculty to teach the first two years of the program with 2 adjunct faculty providing clinical supervision. It is proposed that the new faculty line required for year three will be funded from new tuition revenue. Plans are to use current facilities when applicable (online program), with lab equipment funded through program generated revenue.

Differential Tuition: The Committee on Finance and Budget will address the following at its January 8, 2020 meeting;

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of Valdosta State University for an online program tuition rate of \$321 per credit hour for the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree program, effective Fall semester 2020, contingent upon approval of the program by the Board of Regents.

Background: The Board of Regents will be considering approval of the establishment of the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) at Valdosta State University (VSU) during the January 2020 meeting. The new program, if approved, is scheduled to begin Fall semester 2020. VSU has requested that the program's proposed tuition rate be considered for approval at the Board's January 2020 meeting as well. This program will be housed within VSU's College of Nursing and Health Sciences. The proposed DNP degree program is designed to address the workforce gap of primary care providers in the state of Georgia and across the nation. The DNP program will help mitigate this gap through the education of new Advance Practice Registered Nurses, specifically Nurse Practitioners. The DNP program will also serve to provide new, qualified nursing faculty to support the continuation of quality undergraduate and graduate nursing programs across the USG.

The DNP program is designed for students holding a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) and is to be completed in ten semesters (81 credit hours) over four years for full-time students. Students will be offered an opportunity to earn the MSN upon completion of those requirements. Courses will be taught in a hybrid format during the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) component of the program. Doctoral-level courses will be taught fully online. There will exist an alternate access point for Advance Practice Registered Nurses who already hold a Master of Science in Nursing. This post-Masters DNP will consist of 38 credit hours over five semesters.

VSU is requesting Board approval of the program tuition rate of \$321 per credit hour for the program, effective Fall semester 2020. For students completing the entire 81 credit hour program, this rate is the equivalent of a total tuition cost of \$26,001. The requested credit hour rate is the lowest price among USG online DNP programs, and is consistent with Board Policy 7.3.1.4.

Assessment

The Office of Academic Affairs will work with the institution to measure the success and continued effectiveness of the proposed program. The review is in concert with the institution's schedule of comprehensive program reviews.

8. Request for Academic Program Terminations

Valdosta State University

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of President Richard Carvajal that Valdosta State University (“VSU”) be approved to offer to terminate four academic degrees, effective January 8, 2020.

a. Bachelor of Music, Music Teacher Education

Abstract: This major was replaced by the MAT in Music Teacher Education which is a more innovative model for preparing students in the arts, combining competence in the artistic discipline with the required teaching skills and expanded field-based experience. There are no students enrolled in the program and no adverse faculty implications.

b. Bachelor of Education, Business Education

Abstract: Student demand for this program declined over the past 5 years. No students are currently enrolled in this program. Students desiring a similar major can instead enroll in the BSEd in Workforce Education and Development. There are no students enrolled in the program and no adverse faculty implications.

c. Master of Education, Business Teacher Education (Vocational)

Abstract: Student demand for this program declined over the past 5 years. No students are currently enrolled in this program. Students desiring a similar major can instead enroll in the MEd in Adult and Career Education with an option in Business Education and Information Technology.

d. Educational Specialist, School Psychology

Abstract: Student demand for this program declined over the past 5 years and the last student graduated in Spring 2014. Of faculty previously teaching in this program, one retired and the two others now teach undergraduate psychology courses. There are no students enrolled in the program and no adverse faculty implications.

9. Off-Site Instructional Location, Georgia Southern University

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of President Kyle Marrero that Georgia Southern University (“GSOU”) be approved to offer instruction at the VECTR Center Warner Robins, effective January 8, 2020.

Abstract:

Georgia Southern University’s Allen E. Paulson College of Engineering and Computing proposes to offer an existing Master of Science in Electrical Engineering (MSEE) degree at a new off-campus location.

The curriculum will be delivered in a hybrid fashion. Faculty will deliver the courses from smart classrooms on the Statesboro and Armstrong campuses which will be broadcast to the VECTR center. The local (Statesboro or Armstrong classrooms) students will receive the live face-to-face lectures while the off-campus (VECTR Center) students will receive the content in virtual face-to-face (live synchronous) lectures. Faculty will visit the VECTR Center and deliver live content while broadcasting to the Statesboro, Armstrong, and Liberty campuses, twice per semester.

Georgia Southern currently offers a hybrid MSEE program composed of traditional face-to-face and online courses. As the majority of these courses have been delivered in the traditional face-to-face modality, enrollments from other campuses have been small, due to travel constraints. Currently, 30 students are enrolled in the program. The new smart classroom modality will supplement existing teaching modalities enabling more students at the Armstrong and Liberty campuses to earn the MSEE. Furthermore, students taking classes at the VECTR Center will also have access to the online modality. The online modality will enable students who leave Robins AFB prior to degree completion, to finish the program online.

10. Academic Naming

Recommended: That the Board approve President Pamela Whitten’s request to name the Honors College, “*The Keeping Sights Upward (KSU) Journey Honors College*,” effective January 8, 2020.

Abstract: The naming request is in recognition of the establishment of *The Keeping Sights Upward (KSU) Journey Honors College*, which has been seed funded with 10 million dollars by donors who wish to remain anonymous and is targeted to ultimately be funded through matching gifts in the amount of \$25 million. The fund will support *The Keeping Sights Upward Journey Honors College* at Kennesaw State University in accordance with the gift agreement among the donors, KSU and the KSU Foundation.

11. **Endorsement of an articulation between Georgia Gwinnett Technical College General Business degree and Georgia Gwinnett College bachelor's degree in general business.**

Recommended: That the Board endorse the recommendation of President Jann Joseph, Georgia Gwinnett College to articulate a pathway for students from Gwinnett Technical College to the Bachelor of Business Administration, General Business, effective January 8, 2020.

Abstract: The articulation agreement between the Georgia Gwinnett College and Gwinnett Technical College will facilitate a smooth transfer of students into a four-year general business degree if transfer admissions are met. The major-specific curriculum has been agreed to by both institutions. Associate level courses identified within the respective agreement shall be taught by the technical college institution faculty who meet the credentialing guidelines of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). The agreement has been approved by faculty members at the respective institutions.

Consent Agenda

12. a. Establishment of the G. P. “Bud” Peterson and Valerie H. Peterson Faculty Fund, Georgia Institute of Technology

Recommended: That the Board of Regents approve the request of President Ángel Cabrera that Georgia Institute of Technology (“GIT”) be authorized to establish the G.P. “Bud” Peterson and Valerie H. Peterson Faculty Fund in pediatric research effective, January 8, 2020.

Abstract: Georgia Institute of Technology Foundation has verified funding of 2 million dollars sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

The Fund is established in honor of Georgia Tech’s 11th President and First Lady, G.P. “Bud” Peterson and Valerie H. Peterson, for their role in advancing the partnership between Georgia Tech and Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta in the pursuit of achieving greater results in the healthcare of pediatric patients. The couple’s tireless leadership and dedication to collaboration has created a nexus where Georgia Tech scientists and engineers work directly with physicians and clinicians to generate innovation and discovery that is saving children’s lives. In gratitude for the Petersons’ initiative in this endeavor, at the recommendation of the Chief Scientific Officer of the PTC, and with the support of its Executive Leadership Team, the Georgia Institute of Technology and the Georgia Tech Foundation do hereby agree to establish the G.P. “Bud” Peterson and Valerie H. Peterson Faculty Endowment Fund to inspire and support exceptional faculty in the field of pediatric research.

b. Establishment of the Krishna A. Bharat Faculty Fund in Computational Journalism, Georgia Institute of Technology

Recommended: That the Board of Regents approve the request of President Ángel Cabrera that Georgia Institute of Technology (“GIT”) be authorized to establish the Krishna A. Bharat Faculty Fund in Computational Journalism effective, January 8, 2020.

Abstract: Georgia Institute of Technology Foundation has verified funding of 2 million dollars sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

Dr. Krishna Bharat is a Georgia Tech alumnus (MS CS ’93, Ph.D. CS ’96) and also a Computer Science graduate of the Indian Institute of Technology in Madras, India. Krishna is the only technologist appointed to the Board of Visitors of the Columbia University School of Journalism, and sits on the Board of Visitors with the John S. Knight Journalism Fellowship Program at Stanford University. Dr. Bharat’s work has received multiple accolades, including the 2003 World Technology Award for Media and Journalism, and the 2003 Webby Award [News category]. In 2012, Dr. Bharat was named by *GQ India* magazine as one of the “World’s Most Powerful Digital Indians”.

c. Establishment of the Frederick Law Olmsted Faculty Fund, Georgia Institute of Technology

Recommended: That the Board of Regents approve the request of President Ángel Cabrera that Georgia Institute of Technology (“GIT”) be authorized to establish the Frederick Olmsted Faculty Fund effective, January 8, 2020.

Abstract: Georgia Institute of Technology Foundation has verified funding of 2 million dollars sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

Bio: Michael Messner is a Partner of Seminole Capital Partners, a New York based hedge fund that he co-founded in 1995, and from which he recently retired. Jenny Messner’s professional experience is in international banking for the Bank of New England. Michael and Jenny Messner are the founders and trustees of The Speedwell Foundation, which funds up to 30 study abroad scholarships for high school students, and supports efforts to restore and expand public parks and green spaces in major U.S. cities.

d. Establishment of Turnipseed Family Faculty Fund, Georgia Institute of Technology

Recommended: That the Board of Regents approve the request of President Ángel Cabrera that Georgia Institute of Technology (“GIT”) be authorized to establish the Turnipseed Family Faculty Fund effective, January 8, 2020.

Abstract: Georgia Institute of Technology Foundation has verified funding of 1.5 million dollars sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

Bio: G. Ben Turnipseed is the President and CEO of G. Ben Turnipseed Engineering (GBT Engineering), a corporation founded in 1978. Since that time the firm has continuously been engaged in the private practice of professional engineering, specializing in water and wastewater treatment systems for small and medium size municipalities, counties and authorities throughout Georgia and South Carolina.

e. **Establishment of the Stuckey Timberland Incorporated Professorship in Economics and Taxation, University of Georgia.**

Recommended: That the Board of Regents approve the request of President Jere Morehead that the University of Georgia(“UGA”) be authorized to establish the Stuckey Timberland Incorporated Professorship in Economics and Taxation effective, January 8, 2020.

Abstract: The University of Georgia Foundation has verified funding of 3 million dollars sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2. The professorship honors the contributions of to the Georgia forestry community. The company was founded by William S. Stuckey Sr.in 1956 and later operated by his son William S. Stuckey, Jr., who served Georgia’s 8th District in the U.S. Congress from 1967-76.

f. **Establishment of the UGA Athletic Association Professorship in Human Development , University of Georgia.**

Recommended: That the Board of Regents approve the request of President Jere Morehead that the University of Georgia(“UGA”) be authorized to establish the UGA Athletic Association Professorship in Human Development effective, January 8, 2020.

Abstract: The University of Georgia Foundation has verified funding of 250,000 dollars sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2. The establishment of the fund is to support the Human Development and Family Science department within the College of Family and Consumer Sciences.

g. **Establishment of the UGA Athletic Association Professorship in Ecology and Infectious Diseases II, University of Georgia.**

Recommended: That the Board of Regents approve the request of President Jere Morehead that the University of Georgia(“UGA”) be authorized to establish the UGA Athletic Association Professorship in Ecology and Infectious Diseases II effective, January 8, 2020.

Abstract: The University of Georgia Foundation has verified funding of 250,000 dollars sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2. The establishment of the fund is to support the Odom School of Ecology and the College of Veterinary Science.

h. Establishment of the UGA Athletic Association Professorship in Environmental Engineering, University of Georgia.

Recommended: That the Board of Regents approve the request of President Jere Morehead that the University of Georgia (“UGA”) be authorized to establish the UGA Athletic Association Professorship in Environmental Engineering effective, January 8, 2020.

Abstract: The University of Georgia Foundation has verified funding of 250,000 dollars sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2. The establishment of the fund is to support the College of Engineering.

i. Establishment of the UGA Athletic Association Professorship in Applied Ecology, University of Georgia.

Recommended: That the Board of Regents approve the request of President Jere Morehead that the University of Georgia (“UGA”) be authorized to establish the UGA Athletic Association Professorship in Applied Ecology, effective, January 8, 2020.

Abstract: The University of Georgia Foundation has verified funding of 250,000 dollars sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2. The establishment of the fund is to support the Odom School of Ecology.

j. Establishment of the University of Georgia Foundation Professorship in Plant Sciences, University of Georgia

Recommended: That the Board of Regents approve the request of President Jere Morehead that the University of Georgia (“UGA”) be authorized to establish the University of Georgia Foundation Professorship in Plant Sciences, effective, January 8, 2020.

Abstract: The University of Georgia Foundation has verified funding of 380,000 dollars sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2. The establishment of the fund is to support the Franklin College.

k. Establishment of the Beheruz N. Sethna Distinguished Scholar, University of West Georgia

Recommended: That the Board of Regents approve the request of Interim President Stuart Rayfield that the University of West Georgia (“UWG”) be authorized to establish the Beheruz N. Sethna Regents Distinguished Scholar in the Richards College of Business, effective, January 8, 2020.

Abstract: The University of West Georgia Foundation has verified funding of 100,000 dollars sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2. The donor wishes to honor Dr. Beheruz Sethna Regents Professor and President Emeritus of the University of West Georgia for his accomplishments at the University of West Georgia. The donor wishes to remain anonymous.

l. Rename the David A. Johnson Scholar in Predictive Analytics, University of West Georgia

Recommended: That the Board of Regents approve the request of Interim President Stuart Rayfield that the University of West Georgia (“UWG”) be authorized to rename the David A. Johnson Scholar in Predictive Analytics to the David A. Johnson Professor in Predictive Analytics effective, January 8, 2020.

Abstract: The University of West Georgia has achieved and verified funding of \$300,000 sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

Bio: David A. Johnson is a founder of Cane Bay Partners VI, LLLP. Cane Bay Partners is a management consulting practice specializing in services to clients in need of sophisticated risk management models in debt collections organizations which require liquidation models and analytics, and portfolio management companies desiring a variety of services. Mr. Johnson received his BBA from the University of West Georgia in 1996 and currently serves on the UWG Campaign Steering Committee. Mr. Johnson was a Presidential Scholar and member of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

m. Rename the David H. Hovey, Faculty Fellowship, University of West Georgia

Recommended: That the Board of Regents approve the request of Interim President Stuart Rayfield that the University of West Georgia (“UWG”) be authorized to rename the David H. Hovey Faculty Fellowship to the David H. Hovey Distinguished Scholar effective, January 8, 2020.

Abstract: The University of West Georgia has achieved and verified funding of over \$100,000 sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

Bio: Dr. Hovey served as an educator at the University of West Georgia from 1984-1999 as a professor of management and dean of the Richards College of Business. In 1999, he retired his

**m. Rename the David H. Hovey, Faculty Fellowship, University of West Georgia
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position as dean and served as a full-time professor until 2008, even after retirement, Dr. Hovey continued teaching part-time until 2013.

Named Faculty Positions

Names regarding institutional requests to appoint faculty with the appropriate qualifications into named faculty positions are listed below:

Institution Name: Georgia Institute of Technology
University Faculty's Name: Dr. Kari Watkins
Named Position: Frederick Law Olmsted Faculty Fund

Institution Name: University of Georgia
University Faculty's Name: Dr. William Branch
Named Position: Georgia Seed Development Professorship in Peanut Breeding and Genetics

Institution Name: University of Georgia
University Faculty's Name: Dr. Vanessa Ezenwa
Named Position: UGA Athletic Association Professorship in Ecology and Infectious Diseases II

Institution Name: University of Georgia
University Faculty's Name: Dr. Lisa Fusillo
Named Position: UGA Foundation Professor in the Arts

Institution Name: University of Georgia
University Faculty's Name: Dr. Jenna Jambeck
Named Position: UGA Athletic Association Professorship in Environmental Engineering

Institution Name: University of Georgia
University Faculty's Name: Dr. Steve Kogan
Named Position: UGA Athletic Association Professorship in Human Development

Institution Name: University of Georgia
University Faculty's Name: Dr. Zenglu Li
Named Position: Georgia Seed Development Professorship in Soybean Breeding and Genetics

Institution Name: University of Georgia
University Faculty's Name: Dr. Olin E. Rhodes
Named Position: UGA Athletic Association Professorship in Applied Ecology

Institution Name: University of Georgia
University Faculty's Name: Dr. Jacek Siry
Named Position: Stuckey Timberland Incorporated Professorship in Forest Economics and Taxation

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12. USG General Education

Abstract: Dr. Tristan Denley, Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs will provide an update on the progress towards 21st century general education core curriculum.

13. USG Goes Global Presentation

Abstract: Ms. Tammy Rosner, Director of International Education will provide an update on the progress of USG international initiatives.

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1. Committee Orientation

The Committee Chair will provide an orientation to Regents on the structure and activities of the Committee on Economic Development. They will also provide an overview of the major goals and objectives of the USG economic development team for the coming year.

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1. Committee Orientation and Forward Agenda

The Committee will introduce new Regents to the structure and activities of the Committee on Orientation and Law.

2. Security Clearance Authorizations: Georgia Institute of Technology

The Georgia Institute of Technology seeks authorization for certain named personnel to apply for and receive United States Government security clearance related to classified government research. This approval is renewed annually and was last approved at the Board's January 2019 meeting.

Background: The Georgia Institute of Technology performs certain classified research on behalf of, and via contract with, the United States Department of Defense and other agencies of the United States government. The National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual requires the Board of Regents to authorize persons to receive necessary security clearances and to make certain declarations regarding the security of designated facilities.

BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA
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A RESOLUTION OF
THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia is the constitutionally empowered governing board of public institutions of higher education in the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents directs, manages, and oversees, among other public institutions, the Georgia Institute of Technology; and

WHEREAS, certain research programs of national significance are conducted at the Georgia Institute of Technology under the provisions of the National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual (NISPOM) and involve sensitive policies, processes, facilities, materials, equipment, and personnel resources of the Georgia Institute of Technology; and

WHEREAS, the President of the Georgia Institute of Technology, currently Dr. Ángel Cabrera, has the authority for all matters relating to the conduct of classified programs residing at the Georgia Institute of Technology including the responsibility for establishing appropriate policy and practices necessary for compliance with the provisions of the NISPOM; and

WHEREAS, the NISPOM, in paragraph 2-106, provides that officers, directors, partners, regents, or trustees shall not require, shall not have, and can be effectively excluded from access to all classified information disclosed to the organization;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED, that the President of Georgia Institute of Technology, Dr. Ángel Cabrera and others including

Dr. Chaouki T. Abdallah, Executive Vice President for Research, Georgia Institute of Technology;
Dr. James J. Hudgens, Senior Vice President and Director, Georgia Tech Research Institute, Georgia Institute of Technology;
Ms. Jilda Diehl Garton, Vice President for Research and General Manager, Georgia Tech Research Corporation and Georgia Tech Applied Research Corporation, Georgia Institute of Technology; and
Mr. Albert L. Concord, Director of Research Security, Georgia Tech Research Institute, Facility Security Officer, Georgia Institute of Technology

at this time do possess the required security clearance at the level of classification pertaining to the classified programs of research at the Georgia Institute of Technology, to wit, Top Secret; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia hereby grants to the President of the Georgia Institute of Technology, Dr. Ángel Cabrera and successors who may be named by the Board of Regents from time to time, authority for all matters relating to the conduct of classified programs residing at the Georgia Institute of Technology, including establishing policies and practices necessary for planning and conduct of classified operations at the Georgia Institute of Technology; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the future, when any individual enters upon any duties at the Georgia Institute of Technology as President, Executive Vice President for Research, Senior Vice President and Director of Georgia Tech Research Institute, Vice President for Research, or Director of Research Security such individual shall immediately make application for the required security clearance; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that neither any member of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia nor the Chancellor of the University System of Georgia require any access to classified information in the conduct of the business of the University System of Georgia or the Georgia Institute of Technology; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that neither the Board of Regents nor the Chancellor of the University System of Georgia nor any other officer of the Board of Regents occupy positions that would enable them to adversely affect the Georgia Institute of Technology's policies or practices in the performance of classified contracts, such policies and practices being the sole responsibility of the President of the Georgia Institute of Technology; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that members of the Board of Regents, the Chancellor of the University System of Georgia, the Treasurer of the Board of Regents, and the Secretary of the Board of Regents who are specifically excluded from access to classified information conducted at the Georgia Institute of Technology specifically

Regent W. Allen Gudenrath	Regent Erin Hames	Regent Samuel D. Holmes
Regent Bárbara Rivera Holmes	Regent C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.	Regent James M. Hull
Regent Cade Joiner	Regent Everett Kennedy	Regent Rachel B. Little
Regent Lowery May	Regent Jose R. Perez	Regent Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.
Regent Sara-Elizabeth L. Reed	Regent Harold Reynolds	Regent Sachin Shailendra
Regent T. Dallas Smith	Regent Kessel Stelling, Jr.	Regent Don L. Waters
Regent Philip A. Wilheit, Sr.	Chancellor Steve Wrigley	Treasurer Tracey Cook
Secretary Edward Tate	Asst. Secretary Christopher McGraw	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution may, consistent with the National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual, be cancelled upon notice by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this action is hereby made a matter of record by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the resolution shall be furnished to the Cognizant Security Agency for the Georgia Institute of Technology.

RESOLVED this 8th day of January, 2020, in Atlanta, Georgia.

Sachin Shailendra, Chair
Board of Regents of the
University System of Georgia

Edward M. Tate, Secretary
Board of Regents of the
University System of Georgia

3. Honorary Degree Request

President Ángel Cabrera of the Georgia Institute of Technology seeks the Board's approval to award an honorary degree to Mrs. Diana Blank.



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Edward Tate, Esq.
Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs & Secretary to the Board
Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia
Suite 7025
270 Washington Street, SW
Atlanta, GA 30334

November 30, 2019

Dear Mr. Tate:

It is my pleasure to propose Diana Blank for an Honorary Doctor of Philosophy Degree to be awarded by the Georgia Institute of Technology on behalf of the Board of Regents during the May 2020 commencement ceremonies. Please find enclosed a short biography of Mrs. Blank.

Mrs. Blank is a noted philanthropist, conservationist, and advocate for others. She is the founder of The Kendeda Fund, an Atlanta-based charitable foundation which promotes equitable access to educational and economic opportunities for historically marginalized populations; the empowerment of girls; support for veterans; gun violence prevention; environmental programs; and economic growth.

The Kendeda Fund's transformative philanthropy to Georgia Tech led to the construction of the Kendeda Living Building for Innovative Sustainable Design, which is the most sustainable building of its kind. The \$30 million investment represents The Kendeda Fund's largest single grant and ranks among the largest capital gifts ever received by Georgia Tech. Dedicated in October 2019, the Kendeda Building is the first academic and research building in the Southeast designed to be certified as a living building by the International Living Future Institute, aligning with Georgia Tech's longstanding vision for the campus and providing a unique opportunity for Georgia Tech to demonstrate its commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship.

As a result of the extraordinary, transcendent philanthropic support directed through The Kendeda Fund, Mrs. Blank has made a profound impact on Georgia Tech and the world around her.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ángel Cabrera
President

Enclosure

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Diana Blank

Diana Blank is a philanthropist and founder of The Kendeda Fund, an Atlanta-based charitable organization established in 1993 and named after her three children: Kenny Blank, Dena Blank Kimball, and Danielle Blank Thomsen.

A native of Brooklyn, New York, Mrs. Blank came from a family of modest means. She eventually settled in Atlanta with her then-husband Arthur Blank. In the years since, she has forever transformed Atlanta through her quiet brand of philanthropy.

A non-traditional student who attended college later in life, Mrs. Blank earned her bachelor's degree in anthropology from Mount Holyoke College in 2000. She was one of three Atlanta benefactors who funded the college or vocational school tuitions of 80 third grade students from C.L. Gideons Elementary School in south Atlanta through the "I Have a Dream Foundation," an organization that empowers children from low-income communities to reach their educational and career objectives. She also has provided key philanthropic support to the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, the Atlanta Botanical Gardens, and Camp Sunshine House, a year-round emotional, social, and educational support program for children with cancer and their families.

A lifelong outdoors enthusiast, Mrs. Blank is guided by her twin passions for social equity and the healing power of nature. She believes that young people should develop an environmental ethic, and she credits the National Wildlife Federation with introducing her family to the natural world. Mrs. Blank has served on the Board of Trustees of the National Parks Conservation Association (NPCA), and she was co-chair of NPCA's Northern Rockies Regional Council. She has supported green initiatives that protect the Okefenokee and Arctic National Wildlife Refuges and the Big Trees Forest Reserve in Sandy Springs, Georgia.

Since 1993, The Kendeda Fund has made nearly \$800 million in grants, quietly helping communities across the nation and around the globe confront big challenges. The Kendeda Fund is one of the leading philanthropic investors in civic and environmental programs in the Atlanta area, and is committed to providing solutions to social and ecological challenges at the local and national levels. The Fund accomplishes its mission by advancing green building design, community-design, and public interest architecture; championing community wealth building and sustainability strategies; and leveraging the innovation of cities to advance equity and sustainability.

In 2015, The Kendeda Fund awarded a \$30 million grant to Georgia Tech for the construction and programming of the Kendeda Living Building for Innovative Sustainable Design. Given the Southeast's heat, humidity, and variable fresh water supplies, the development of a building aiming for zero net energy and water consumption brings unique challenges. Building a facility that meets Living Building Challenge 3.0 criteria has provided the opportunity to create a living-learning laboratory for hands-on educational and research opportunities that will be a model for the region and similar environments around the world. The Kendeda Fund and Georgia Tech intend for the project to become the first Living Building Challenge 3.0-certified facility of its size and function in the Southeast. Previously, The Kendeda Fund provided \$300,000 in funding for Georgia Tech's Ray C. Anderson Center for Sustainable Business.

Through her leadership of The Kendeda Fund, Mrs. Blank has forever enriched Georgia Tech, the City of Atlanta, and beyond.

4. Executive Session

The Committee will enter executive session to discuss pending applications for review. These are made to the Board of Regents Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to Policy 6.26. Applications for Discretionary Review and are typically personnel matters and issues of academic status.

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1. **Information Item: Personnel and Benefits Committee Orientation**

Vice Chancellor for Human Resources, Juanita Hicks, will present the Personnel and Benefits Committee Orientation.

2. **Information Item: USG Benefits Plans Dependent Eligibility Audit Update**

Vice Chancellor for Human Resources, Juanita Hicks, will present information regarding the results of the dependent eligibility audit for the USG Benefits Plans that was completed in 2019.

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COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND BUSINESS OPERATIONS

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1. **Information Item: Committee on Finance and Business Operations Orientation and Forward Agenda**

The Committee on Finance and Business Operations maintains a one-year forward agenda that details items scheduled for approval and review by this Committee. At this meeting, Executive Vice Chancellor for Strategy and Fiscal Affairs, Tracey Cook, will review the planned forward agenda.

2. Approval of Online Program Tuition for Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP), Valdosta State University

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of Valdosta State University for an online program tuition rate of \$321 per credit hour for the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree program, effective Fall semester 2020, contingent upon approval of the program by the Board of Regents.

Background: The Board of Regents will be considering approval of the establishment of the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) at Valdosta State University (VSU) during the January 2020 meeting. The new program, if approved, is scheduled to begin Fall semester 2020. VSU has requested that the program's proposed tuition rate be considered for approval at the Board's January 2020 meeting as well. This program will be housed within VSU's College of Nursing and Health Sciences. The proposed DNP degree program is designed to address the workforce gap of primary care providers in the state of Georgia and across the nation. The DNP program will help mitigate this gap through the education of new Advance Practice Registered Nurses, specifically Nurse Practitioners. The DNP program will also serve to provide new, qualified nursing faculty to support the continuation of quality undergraduate and graduate nursing programs across the USG.

The DNP program is designed for students holding a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) and is to be completed in ten semesters (81 credit hours) over four years for full-time students. Students will be offered an opportunity to earn the MSN upon completion of those requirements. Courses will be taught in a hybrid format during the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) component of the program. Doctoral-level courses will be taught fully online. There will exist an alternate access point for Advance Practice Registered Nurses who already hold a Master of Science in Nursing. This post-Masters DNP will consist of 38 credit hours over five semesters.

VSU is requesting Board approval of the program tuition rate of \$321 per credit hour for the program, effective Fall semester 2020. For students completing the entire 81 credit hour program, this rate is the equivalent of a total tuition cost of \$26,001. The requested credit hour rate is the lowest price among USG online DNP programs, and is consistent with Board Policy 7.3.1.4.

3. Approval of Differential Graduate Program Tuition Rate for Master of Science in Robotics, Georgia Institute of Technology

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of the Georgia Institute of Technology for a professional program in-state tuition rate of \$8,028 per semester (\$669/credit hour) and a professional program out-of-state tuition rate of \$17,700 per semester (\$1,475 per credit hour) for the Master of Science in Robotics degree program, effective Fall semester 2020.

Background: The Board of Regents will be considering approval of the establishment of the Master of Science (MS) in Robotics at Georgia Institute of Technology during the January 2020 meeting. The program is designed to produce industry-ready engineers and scientists with the theoretical knowledge and practical skills needed in professional careers related to designing and developing robotics and automation solutions. Graduating students will find employment in traditional industries such as manufacturing, defense, security, and transportation, as well as emerging opportunities in forestry, agriculture, entertainment, homeland security, healthcare applications, and law enforcement.

The 36 credit-hour, cohort-based program is taught over four semesters in a hybrid online/face-to-face format. The MS in Robotics will be an interdisciplinary program offered collaboratively by six schools in the Colleges of Computing, Engineering, and Sciences. These are the schools of Aerospace Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Interactive Computing, Mechanical Engineering, and Physics. Students may apply to enter the program through any one of the participating units, the choice of which usually reflects that student's intended area of specialization and general background.

Georgia Tech is requesting Board approval of the professional program tuition rate of \$8,028 per semester (\$669/credit hour) and a professional program out-of-state tuition rate of \$17,700 per semester (\$1,475 per credit hour) for the program, effective Fall semester 2020. This rate is the equivalent of a total tuition cost of \$24,084 for in-state students and \$53,100 for out-of-state students under this 36 credit hour program. This will be the first MS in Robotics offered in the University System of Georgia. The requested program rate is nationally competitive, and consistent with Board Policy 7.3.1.3. The differential tuition will be applied towards an academic coordinator to ensure coordination across the six collaborative schools, specialized robotic hardware, and research opportunities for capstone projects.

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1. Information Item: Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2019 Financial Engagement Results for the University System of Georgia

Vice Chancellor of Internal Audit, Claire Arnold, will provide information on the Fiscal Year 2019 Financial engagement results for the University System of Georgia including a summary of audit trends and action plans to address Fiscal Year 2019 findings.

2. **Information Item: Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2019 Consolidated Annual Financial Report for the University System of Georgia**

Vice Chancellor of Internal Audit Claire Arnold will present information on the Fiscal Year 2019 Consolidated Annual Financial Report for the University System of Georgia. The Fiscal Year 2019 Consolidated Annual Financial Report was provided to the Board members in advance of the meeting.

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COMMITTEE ON INTERNAL AUDIT, RISK, AND COMPLIANCE

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1. Information Item: Committee on Internal Audit, Risk, and Compliance Orientation and Forward Agenda

The Committee on Internal Audit, Risk, and Compliance (Committee) maintains a one-year forward agenda that details items scheduled for approval and review by the Committee. At this meeting, Chief Audit Officer & Vice Chancellor for Internal Audit Claire Arnold will review the planned forward agenda and obtain the Committee's feedback on additional agenda items that should be addressed over the coming year.

The operations of the Committee are specified in the Committee's Charter as approved by the Board of Regents. A copy of the proposed 2020 charter is included as part of item four within the Committee's agenda.

2. Approval Item: Internal Audit Charter

Recommended: That the Board approve the Internal Audit Charter.

Background: The Internal Audit Charter defines the purpose, authority, and responsibility of the internal audit function of the University System of Georgia. The professional standards governing internal audit state that the chief audit executive must “periodically review the internal audit charter and present it to senior management and the board for approval.” The charter was last approved in January 2019. At this meeting, Chief Audit Officer & Vice Chancellor for Internal Audit Claire Arnold will present the Internal Audit Charter for approval.

3. Approval Item: Compliance and Ethics Charter

Recommended: That the Board approve the Compliance and Ethics Charter.

Background: The Compliance and Ethics Charter defines the purpose, authority, and responsibility of the University System of Georgia compliance and ethics function. The federal standards governing compliance programs states that the “organization’s governing authority shall be knowledgeable about the content and operation of the compliance and ethics program and shall exercise reasonable oversight with respect to the implementation and effectiveness of the compliance and ethics program.” A charter is a recognized tool to enhance oversight of the compliance and ethics function. The charter was last approved in January 2019. At this meeting, Vice Chancellor for Organizational Effectiveness Dr. John Fuchko, III will present the Compliance and Ethics Charter for approval.

4. Approval Item: Committee on Internal Audit, Risk and Compliance Charter

Recommended: That the Board approve the Committee on Internal Audit, Risk, and Compliance Charter.

Background: The oversight role of the Committee on Internal Audit, Risk, and Compliance (hereafter Committee) is defined within the “Internal Audit Charter” and the “Compliance and Ethics Charter.” Additionally, the Committee’s role with respect to oversight of USG risk management is defined within the proposed charter. The Committee charter was last approved in January 2019.

At this meeting, Chief Audit Officer & Vice Chancellor for Internal Audit Claire Arnold and Vice Chancellor for Organizational Effectiveness Dr. John Fuchko, III will present the Committee on Internal Audit, Risk, and Compliance Charter for approval.

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COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE AND FACILITIES

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1. Committee on Real Estate and Facilities Orientation and Forward Agenda

Jim James, Vice Chancellor for Real Estate and Facilities, will provide an orientation for members of the Committee on Real Estate and Facilities, including its responsibilities and a projected forward agenda of anticipated approval and information items for 2020.

2. Chancellor's Action

Vice Chancellor James will update the Board on an action taken by the Chancellor pursuant to authority delegated by the Board.

JIM JAMES, VICE CHANCELLOR
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December 16, 2019

Dr. Steve Wrigley
Chancellor
Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia
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Dear Chancellor Wrigley:

In accordance with the authority delegated to you by the Board of Regents at its November 12, 2019 meeting, this letter is to request your approval of the ranking of the design professional firms for the New First-Year Student Residence Hall at the University of Georgia ("UGA").

Recommended: That the Board approve the ranking of the design professional firms named below for Project No. PPV-10-2001, New First-Year Student Residence Hall, University of Georgia, and authorize contract negotiations to proceed with the top-ranked firm. Should it not be possible to execute a contract with the top-ranked firm, staff would then attempt to execute a contract with the other listed firms in rank order.

A qualifications-based selection process was held in accordance with Board of Regents procedures to identify and rank firms. The following recommendation is made:

Project No. PPV-10-2001, New First-Year Student Residence Hall, University of Georgia

Project Description: This project was authorized by the Board at the November 2019 meeting. The proposed new student housing facility (the "Project") would be constructed on the site of the original Bolton Dining Commons, which is located just east of Creswell Hall, Russell Hall and Brumby Hall. With approximately 120,500 square feet and 525 beds, the Project would allow for incremental growth in UGA's first-year class, while also providing beds to use as "swing space" as UGA continues to renovate or replace other residence halls on campus. The Project's programmatic spaces would include study rooms, lounges and kitchens. The square foot per student ratio, which would be comparable to that of other first-year residence halls, reflects UGA's continued commitment to an appropriate balance between student needs and affordability. The Project will be funded from a combination of public-private venture financing and UGA housing auxiliary funds.

Total Project Cost:	\$49,870,000
Construction Cost (Stated Cost Limitation):	\$40,300,000

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 20

Recommended firms in rank order:

- 1) Beck Architecture Georgia, LLC / The Beck Group, Atlanta
- 2) Thompson, Ventulett, Stainback & Associates, Inc., Architects, Atlanta
- 3) Collins Cooper Carusi Architects, Inc., Atlanta

If authorized by you pursuant to the authority the Board specifically delegated to you for this matter, the University System Office staff and UGA will proceed with design and construction of the project in accordance with Board of Regents guidelines.

Thank you for your consideration of this request for approval.

Sincerely,

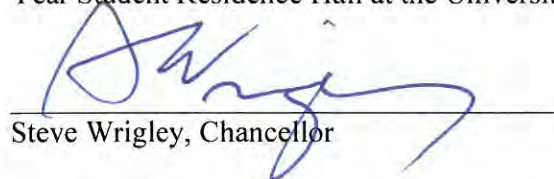


Jim James
Vice Chancellor for Facilities

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cc: Teresa MacCartney, Executive Vice Chancellor for Administration
Edward Tate, Vice Chancellor of Legal Affairs & Secretary to the Board
Ashley Jones, Vice Chancellor for External Affairs and Chief of Staff
Sandra Neuse, Associate Vice Chancellor, Real Estate and Facilities
Sharon Pope, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Design and Construction
Ron Reed, Director of Real Estate Ventures - Development

In accordance with the authority delegated to me by the Board at its November 12, 2019 meeting, I approve the ranking of the design professional firms for Project No. PPV-10-2001, New First-Year Student Residence Hall at the University of Georgia ("UGA").


Steve Wrigley, Chancellor

12/16/19
Date

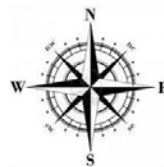
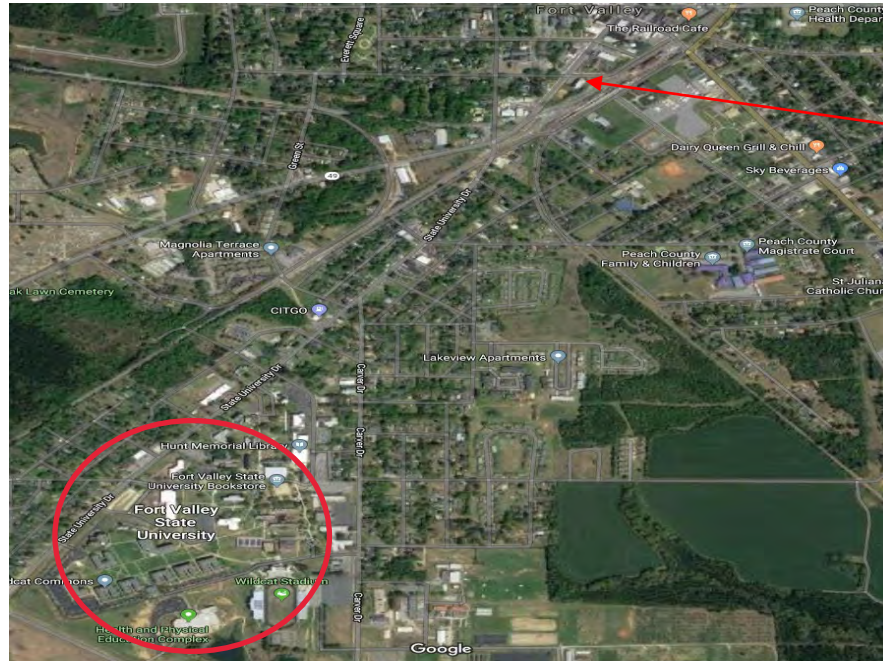
3. Kell Building Renovation, Fort Valley State University

Fort Valley State University (“FVSU”) proposes to renovate the historic Kell Building to establish the Center for Agricultural Innovation and Entrepreneurship (the “Center”).

Completed in 1912, the Kell Building is a three-story structure totaling approximately 12,785 square feet. FVSU intends to utilize the renovated building, which was originally a grocery and hardware store, as a small business incubator to promote agribusiness in Middle Georgia. The Center would serve as an integral component of FVSU’s College of Agriculture, Family Sciences and Technology, providing access to state-of-the-art meat and dairy technology facilities, a cold vegetable canning complex, food sensory, chemistry and safety laboratories, biotechnology research facilities, and field experimental facilities required for innovation and subsequent commercialization of the agri-based technologies.

The total project budget is estimated to be \$5,016,000, which would be funded by a facility grant from the United States Department of Agriculture–National Institute for Food and Agriculture. FVSU is targeting completion of the project by the fall semester of 2022.

KELL BUILDING



4. Authorization of Project No. BR-64-2001, Cold Vegetable (Cannery) Processing Facility, Fort Valley State University

Recommended: That the Board authorize Project No. BR-64-2001, Cold Vegetable (Cannery) Processing Facility at Fort Valley State University (“FVSU”) with a total project budget of \$2,500,000 to be funded by a facility grant from the United States Department of Agriculture–National Institute for Food and Agriculture.

Understandings: This proposed new facility (the “Project”) would be equipped to process vegetables such as collards, kale, peas, and beans. It would be designed to provide small farmers in Georgia the opportunity to produce commercial vegetables that could help diversify their farm operations and improve their marketing potential through education, value-added processing, food safety training and exposure to technology for alternative agriculture enterprises.

The Project would support Family and Consumer Sciences programming within FVSU’s College of Agriculture, Family Sciences and Technology. Educational training would be enhanced by providing hands-on experiences to students, including those in the recently approved Food Science major. The Project would also provide employment opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students, including research.

The estimated construction cost for this Project is \$1,885,000. The Project is consistent with FVSU’s master plan.

If authorized by the Board, the University System Office staff and FVSU will proceed with the design and construction of the Project in accordance with the Board of Regents procedures.

1005 State University Drive
Fort Valley, Ga. 31030-4313

Admissions: (877) GO-2-FVSU

Information: (478) 825-6211

www.fvsu.edu



**Cold Vegetable (Cannery)
Processing Facility**

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Processing Facility**

* Main Entrances + Security Posts ID Residential Buildings

1. Academic Classroom & Lab Bldg. (F-3)
2. Agriculture Equipment Storage (C-5)
3. Anderson House Museum and Welcome Center (B-2)
4. Athletic Field House (E-5)
5. Bishop Hall (C-2)
6. Blanchet Computer Technology & Mathematics Building (CTM) (G-3)
7. Bond Building (Horace Mann) (E-4)
8. Boyd Hall Dormitory (D-4)
9. Bywaters Building (B-3)
10. Campus Student & Guest Housing (G-3)
11. Carnegie Hall (B-2)
12. Central Stores (C-4)
13. Dairy Goat Complex (B-5)
14. Davison Hall I Dormitory (D-2)
15. Ellison Agricultural Mechanics Bldg. (D-4)
16. Extension Communications Center (D-2)
17. Faculty Housing (A-1)
18. Food Service Center (C-3)
19. Football Practice Fields (D-4/5)

20. Founders Hall II (B-3)
21. Gano Annex (C-1)
22. Gano Building (C-1)
23. Greenhouse Complex (C-5)
24. Gymnasium (Woodward) (D-4)
25. Health & Physical Ed. Complex (F-4)
26. Home Management Site (D-3)
27. Hubbard Education Building (C-4)
28. Hunt Infirmary (E-3)
29. Hunt Memorial Gravesite (B-2)
30. Hunt Memorial Library (C-3)
31. Huntington Hall II (C-2)
32. Jeanes Hall East Dormitory (D-4)
33. Jeanes Hall West Dormitory (D-4)
34. Josie Hall Dormitory (D-3)
35. Lyons Student Center (C/D-3)
36. Meat Processing Center (C-5)
37. Miller Science Building (C-4)
38. Moore Hall Dormitory (D-3)
39. Myers Home Economics Bldg. (C-4)
40. O'Neal Veterinary Science Annex (B-4)
41. O'Neal Veterinary Science Bldg. (B-4)
42. Ohio Hall (C-3)
43. Patton Hall II (C-2)
44. Peabody Building (C-3)

45. Pettigrew Farm & Community Life Center (F-3)
46. Plant Operation (Wilson-Roberts) (C-5)
47. Poultry Research Complex (B-4/5)
48. Quadrangle (C-3)
- 49A. Research Field Plots (B-4/5)
- B. Research Field Plots (C-5)
50. Softball Field (F-5)
51. Stallworth Agriculture Building (C/D-4)
52. State Animal Facility for Emergencies (SAFE) Center (BC-4)
53. Student Activities Center (E-4)
54. Tabor Agricultural Building (C-4)
55. The Betty Jean Rivers Camellia Garden (F-3)
56. Tennis Courts (E-4)
57. Troup Administration Building (E-3)
58. Watson Hall Dormitory (D/ E-3)
59. Wildcat Commons Residential Village
 - WC1 (G-4) WC5 (G-4)
 - WC2 (H-4) WC6 (F-4)
 - WC3 (H-4) WC7 (F-4)
 - WC4 (G-4) Clubhouse (G-4)
60. Wildcat Stadium (E-4)
61. Valley Behavioral Health Center (E-3)

5. Authorization of Project No. BR-10-2004, Journalism MFA Film Production Studio Renovation, University of Georgia

Recommended: That the Board authorize Project No. BR-10-2004, Journalism MFA Film Production Studio Renovation at the University of Georgia (“UGA”), with a total project budget of \$3,750,000. Funding for this renovation would be provided by \$3,750,000 in donor funds.

Understandings: Pursuant to the Board’s approval in February 2019, UGA’s Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communications (“Grady”) established a two-year Master of Fine Arts in Film, Television and Digital Media (the “Program”). This project (the “Project”), which would be designed and constructed to support the Program’s first-year, on-campus instruction, would involve the renovation of approximately 5,827 square feet of space within UGA’s Journalism Building. The Project would provide studio and support space to meet the Program’s objective of providing quality instruction in the technical areas of audio production, camera and lighting cinematography, post and advanced production editing. The space would also be utilized for teaching and advancing skills in writing, directing and producing motion pictures. The Project would be designed, constructed, and outfitted in collaboration with the Georgia Film Academy (“GFA”), and the second year of the Program would be supported at Pinewood Studios and in collaboration with the GFA.

A primary feature of the proposed renovation is the instructional film production stage with its control desk open to a collaboration area, which would allow for flexible seating, viewing, discussion and presentations. An overhead retractable lighting grid, industry-standard acoustical treatments, a cyclorama/greenscreen, a Foley room, an Automated Dialogue Replacement Room, and multiple finishing/production/post-production suites are also included in the scope of the Project. Required upgrades and enhancements to existing technology and equipment, workshop, storage and infrastructure systems are planned as well.

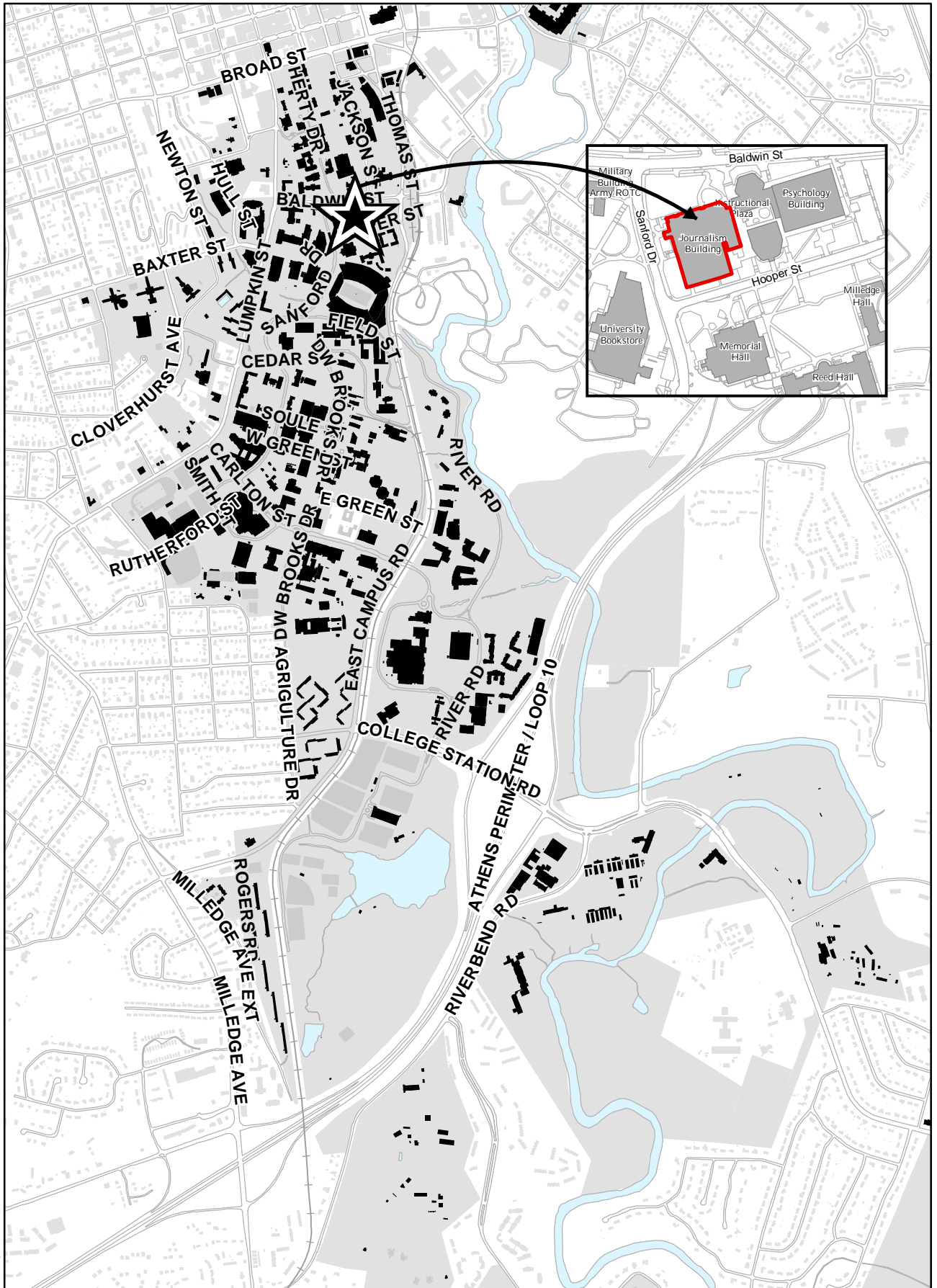
The location of the Project is currently utilized as instructional space for lighting, cinematography and video production for Grady’s Entertainment and Media Studies program. Following completion of the Project, both Entertainment and Media Studies and the Program would utilize the space for instruction.

The estimated construction cost for the Project is \$1,978,000. Additionally, UGA will not enter into a construction contract until the entire \$3,750,000 of private funding is in-hand.

If authorized by the Board, the University System Office staff and UGA will proceed with the design and construction of the Project in accordance with the Board of Regents procedures.



Journalism MFA Film Production Studio Renovation



6. Authorization of Project No. PPV-90-2001, Howell Hall Renovation, Marietta Campus, Kennesaw State University

Recommended: That the Board authorize Project No. PPV-90-2001, Howell Hall Renovation, Marietta Campus at Kennesaw State University (“KSU”) with a total project budget of \$12,000,000, which would be funded as a public-private venture and with \$2,500,000 from housing auxiliary reserves.

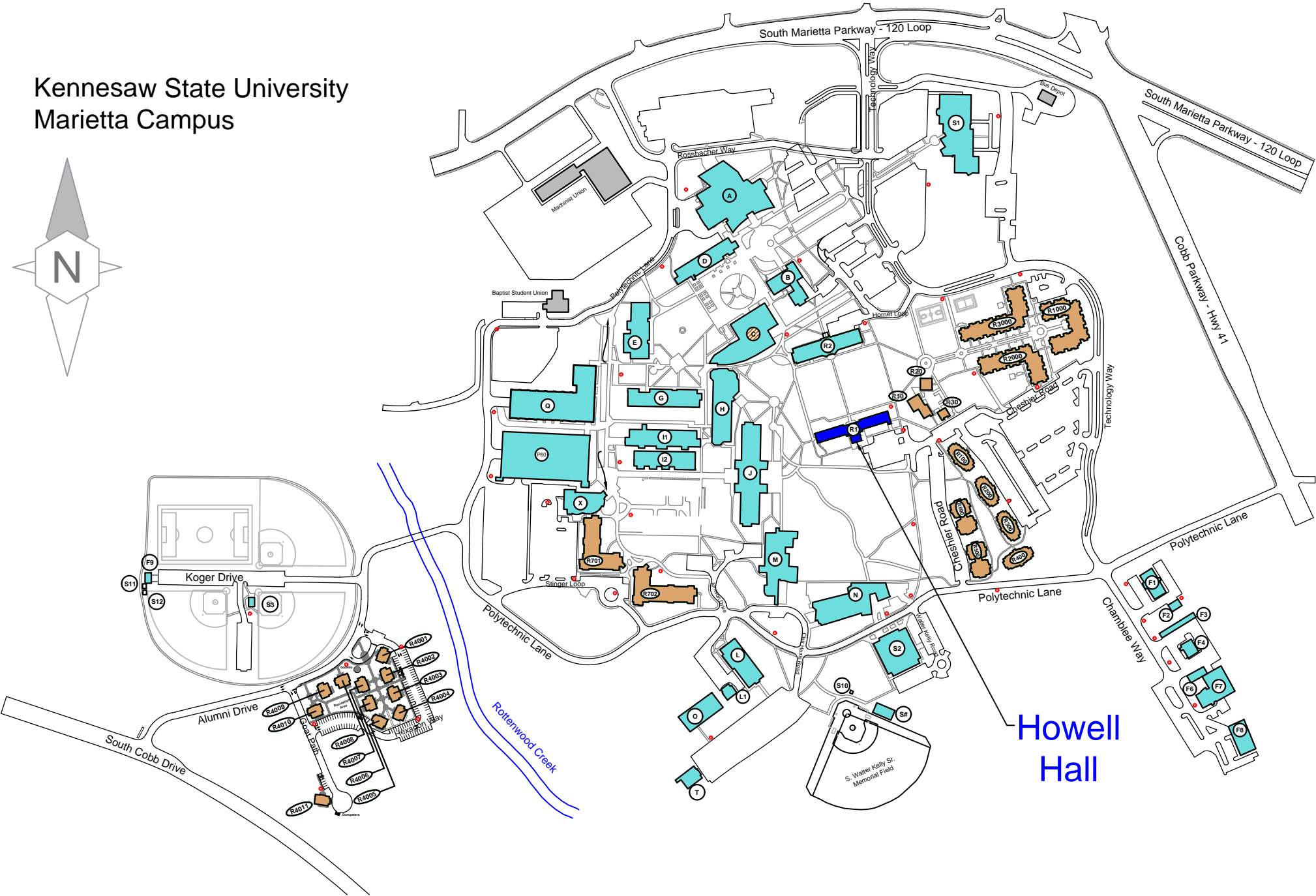
Recommended further: That the financing and legal terms be developed in conjunction with Fiscal Affairs and Legal Affairs staff.

Understandings: The Board was informed of this proposed project at its October 2019 meeting. Constructed in 1965 with general obligation bonds, Howell Hall is a 57,672 square-foot student housing complex containing 281 beds in 141 units in a traditional dormitory configuration. The residence hall’s concrete block structural system, floor-to-floor ceiling heights, and unit configuration make it a prime candidate for renovation. The proposed project would contain approximately the same number of units upon the completion of construction.

The renovation would focus on replacing, or significantly upgrading, the building’s HVAC, plumbing and electrical systems. To resolve ongoing air quality control issues, exterior windows would be replaced to reduce the presence of moisture and humidity in the building.

The estimated construction cost of the Project is \$8,480,000. The Project is consistent with KSU’s master plan. Approval of the ground lease and rental agreement would be requested at a future Board meeting.

Kennesaw State University
Marietta Campus



7. Authorization of Project Budget Modification, Project No. BR-67-1901, Indoor Baseball and Softball Hitting Facility, Georgia Southwestern State University

Recommended: That the Board modify the budget of Project No. BR-67-1901, Indoor Baseball and Softball Hitting Facility, Georgia Southwestern State University (“GSW”) to increase the total project budget from \$1,252,000 to \$1,452,000.

Understandings: Approved by the Board at its November 2018 meeting, GSW’s Indoor Baseball and Softball Hitting Facility (the “Project”) is currently under construction. Since authorization of the project, GSW has identified and raised an additional \$200,000 in funds from athletics fundraisers, booster funds, and individual donors. GSW would use these funds to add shelved space for future buildout as locker rooms. This is more cost-effective while the Project is in the early stages of construction, rather than to add such space after construction completion. The Stated Cost Limitation would increase from \$1,066,500 to \$1,250,699.

Funding of this cost increase of \$200,000 would be from the following sources:

\$86,000	May 2019 Athletics Fundraising Event
\$29,000	Annual President’s Classic Golf Tournament Benefitting Athletics
\$24,000	Athletics General Fund
\$20,000	Individual Donors
\$41,000	“Canes 360” Athletics Booster Funds

	<u>Board Approval</u>	<u>Now</u>
Total Project Cost:	\$1,252,000	\$1,452,000
Construction Cost (Stated Cost Limitation):	\$1,066,500	\$1,250,699

Indoor Baseball and Softball Hitting Facility



8. Naming of The Peyton Anderson Enrollment Center, Middle Georgia State University

Recommended: That the Board approve the naming of the new, privately funded enrollment center (the “Center”) to be constructed on the Macon campus of Middle Georgia State University (“MGSU”) as “The Peyton Anderson Enrollment Center” in recognition of the philanthropy of The Peyton Anderson Foundation.

Understandings: President Christopher Blake confirms that this naming conforms to the MGSU naming guidelines and with the Board of Regents naming policy.

The Peyton Anderson Foundation (the “Foundation”) is MGSU’s largest and most committed community partner, having donated \$4,400,000 to the institution since 1990. Prior contributions have supported the establishment of an endowed presidential scholarship and two professorship positions. The Foundation’s most recent gift of \$1,500,000, which has been received in full, helped secure subsequent donations for the design and construction of the Center. Authorized by the Board in August 2019, the Center will be the first facility on an MGSU campus that is fully funded through private contributions.

Groundbreaking for the Center is anticipated to occur in late January 2020, with completion expected around the summer of 2021.



Middle Georgia State University

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Macon Campus

- 1 Administration (ADMIN) Academic Affairs • Finance & Operations • President's Office • University Advancement
- 2 Library (LIB) Library Cafe • Student Success Center • Technical Assistance Center
- 3 Plant Operations (PLANT)
- 4 Campus Support Services (CSS) Police • Technology Resources
- 5 Mathematics (MATH) Mathematics Dept.
- 6 Auditorium (AUD) (Enterthrough Math Bldg.)

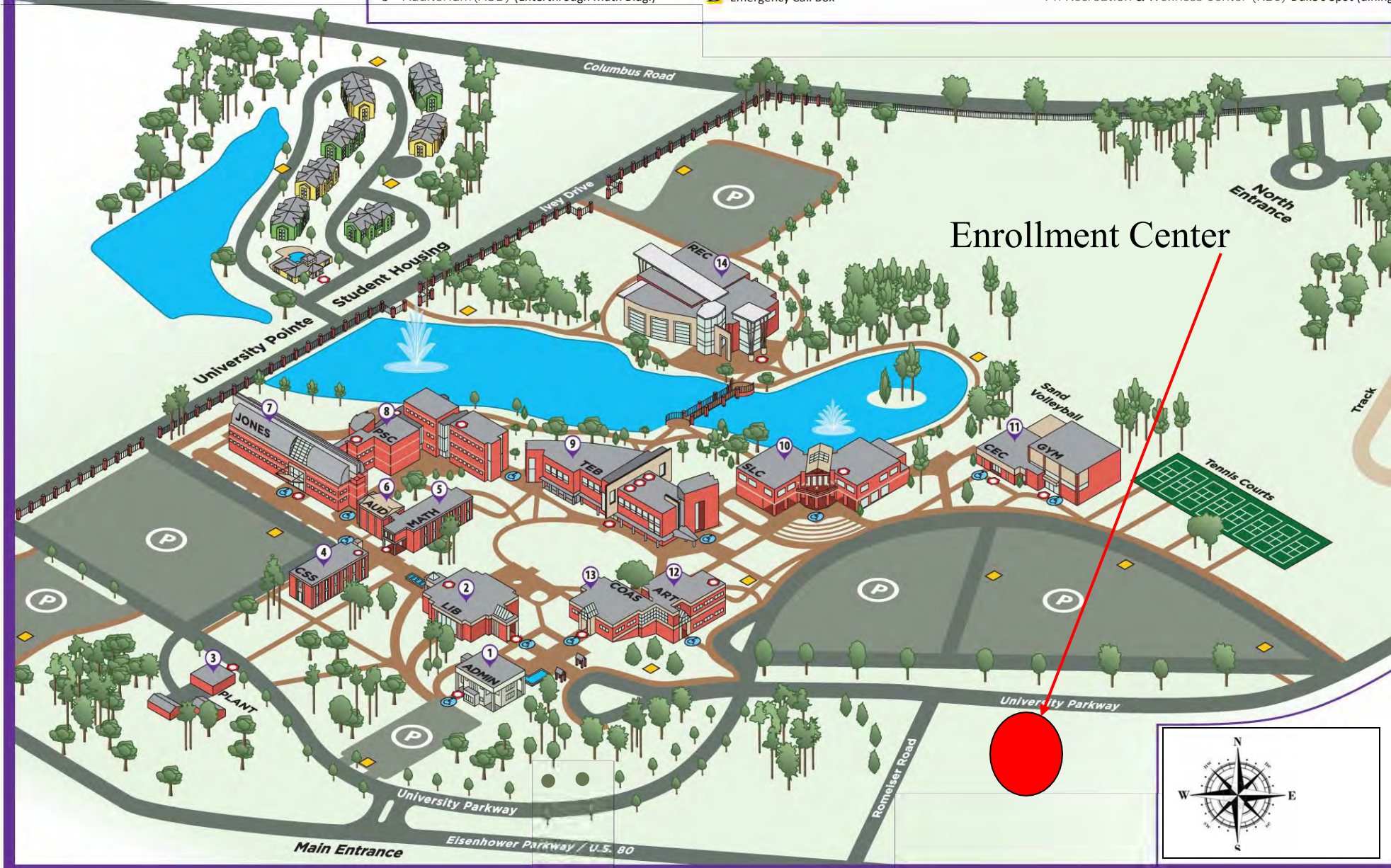
- 7 Charles H. Jones Building (JONES) School of Health Sciences • History and Political Science Dept. • Human Resources • Natural Sciences Dept.
- 8 Professional Sciences Center (PSC) School of Business • Cafe Diem • Continuing Education • Hatcher Conference Center • School of Information Technology
- 9 Teacher Education Building (TEB) School of Education & Behavioral Sciences (Psychology, Sociology & Criminal Justice)

Q AED / Defibrillator Locations **@** Accessible Entrance

D Emergency Call Box

- 10 Student Life Center (SLC) Admissions • Auxiliary Services • Campus Store • Bursar • Camelot Court (dining) • Career Center • Counseling and Disability Services • Enrollment Services • Financial Aid • Game Room • Registrar • Student Affairs • Student Life • Student Support Services • Testing Center
- 11 Community Education Center (CEC) Gymnasium (GYM) • Health Clinic • Music Dept.
- 12 Arts Complex (ART) Art Studio • Rehearsal Hall • Theatre
- 13 College of Arts & Sciences (COAS) English Dept. • Media, Culture & the Arts Dept.
- 14 Recreation & Wellness Center (REC) Duke's Spot (dining)

Enrollment Center



9. Naming of Cottrell Park, University of North Georgia

Recommended: That the Board approve the naming of the baseball, softball, and soccer athletic complex on the Dahlonega campus of the University of North Georgia (“UNG”) as “Cottrell Park” in recognition of the philanthropy of Mike and Lynn Cottrell.

Understandings: President Bonita Jacobs confirms that this naming conforms to the UNG naming guidelines and with the Board of Regents naming policy.

As part of their dedication to the economic success of the north Georgia region, Mike and Lynn Cottrell have a long history of philanthropic support for UNG. Since 2006, the Cottrells have made two transformational gifts to UNG of \$10,000,000 each. These gifts resulted in the naming of the Mike Cottrell College of Business and the Cottrell Center for Business, Technology & Innovation.

The Cottrells’ most recent gift of \$1,000,000 has been paid in full and will support the first phase of a planned expansion to the athletic complex, which will include the addition of new high-definition digital scoreboards and video boards for the baseball, softball, and soccer stadiums.



10. Disposition of Real Property, 401 Rose Drive, Marietta, Kennesaw State University

Recommended: That the Board declare approximately 3.26 acres of improved real property located at 401 Rose Drive in Marietta (the “Property”) to be no longer advantageously useful to Kennesaw State University (“KSU”) or other units of the University System of Georgia, but only to the extent and for the purpose of allowing the sale of the Property to Block C, LLC (the “LLC”) or an affiliated special purpose entity created for this acquisition.

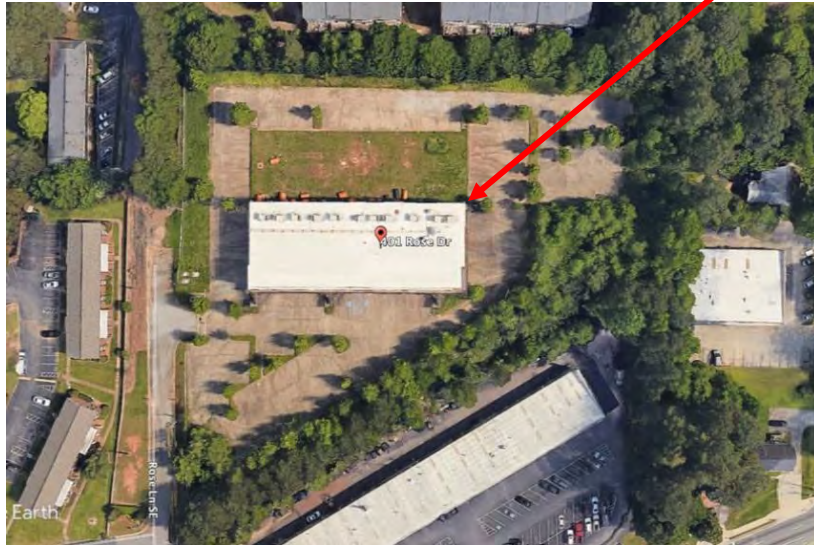
Recommended further: That the Board authorize the sale of the Property to the LLC for the offering price of \$1,300,000.

Understandings: With a two-story commercial building totaling approximately 32,000 square feet, the Property was previously operated as a multi-tenant shopping center. Acquired by Southern Polytechnic State University in 2013, the Property no longer serves the strategic needs of KSU. In addition to the expected sales proceeds, KSU would achieve savings by eliminating the maintenance costs associated with the vacant building. The LLC intends to revitalize the Property into a mixed-use facility containing retail and/or office space.

KSU obtained two independent appraisals of the Property, which are summarized below:

<u>Appraiser</u>	<u>Appraised Value</u>	<u>Average</u>
Ken Cantrell, MAI, Atlanta	\$750,000	\$1,015,000
George S. Petkovich, MAI, Atlanta	\$1,280,000	

401 Rose Drive, Marietta



AGENDA

BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA: ETHICS TRAINING & ACCREDITATION OVERVIEW

January 8, 2020

Information Item: Ethics Policy Training and Accreditation Overview

The duties of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia are specified in various governing documents to include the Bylaws of the Board of Regents and the University System of Georgia (USG) Ethics Policy. Vice Chancellor for Organizational Effectiveness Dr. John Fuchko, III will provide the Board an overview of the Bylaws provisions and USG Ethics Policy requirements that pertain to members of the Board of Regents, the Chancellor, and Executive Vice Chancellors. This training will also include an accreditation overview and a review of the filing requirements with the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission which are related to members of the Board of Regents and the Chancellor. The training will include signing the USG Ethics Policy certification and shall constitute the ethics training required by Board Policy 8.2.18.1.