

UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

Board of Regents' October 13, 2020 Agenda

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Regent Erin Hames

Track I Committee Meetings: Organization & Law

Regent Don L. Waters

1:30 PM Track II Committee Meetings: Real Estate & Facilities

Regent Samuel D. Holmes

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Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra

Invocation/ Pledge of Allegiance Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra

Secretary Edward Tate

Approval of Minutes Secretary Edward Tate September 15, 2020 Minutes

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1. Establishment of a Nexus Degree in Public Safety, Columbus State University

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of President Chris Markwood that Columbus State University ("CSU") be authorized to establish a Nexus Degree in Public Safety effective October 13, 2020.

Need/Demand: There is a nationwide shortage of law enforcement and public safety officers. The Bureau of Justice Statistics reports the total number of law enforcement officers has fallen by 23,000 since 2013. According to Bureau of Labor Statistics projections, occupations assigned to the security and protective services pathway have the most job openings in the Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security cluster. According to the Occupational Outlook Handbook, the employment rate for police and detectives is estimated to grow by 5% during 2019-2029.

For Georgia, data from the US Bureau of Labor Statistics indicate that the short-term occupational projection for 2019-2021 for police, fire and ambulance dispatchers will grow by 2.7%, while growth of police and sheriff's patrol officers cluster is projected at 2.8 % during the same period. The long term-term occupational projections (2016-2026) indicate more than 11% growth for two public safety clusters.

Program Summary: The Nexus Degree in Public Safety will be a stacked degree within the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice. The Degree includes 18 credit hours of public safety curriculum and targets both traditional and non-traditional students. While pursuing this program of study students will be on a trajectory to pursue a baccalaureate in Criminal Justice, Master of Public Safety Administration or Master of Public Administration. The program provides a pathway for students who may lack the means to complete a four-year degree due to financial, family, or time constraints. The Program is embedded with high impact practices and real-life simulations. The program will partner with public safety agencies in the region.

<u>Similar Degrees at USG Institutions</u>: There are no other similar degrees within the USG System.

<u>Career Placement Outlook</u>: Graduates may seek employment within police and sheriff departments, as detectives and criminal investigators, in security, and administrative positions, or as fish and game wardens.

- The total employment of Detectives and Criminal Investigators in Georgia was 3,680 at the end of 2020Q1.
- Employment growth over the next seven (7) year is expected to increase by 116 jobs.
- Total employment for Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers in Georgia was 20,731 at the end of 2020Q1.
- Employment growth over the next seven (7) years is expected to increase by 1,085 jobs.

1. <u>Establishment of a Nexus Degree in Public Safety, Columbus State University</u> (Continued)

Salary:

- The average annual wage for detectives and criminal investigators was \$67,800 in Georgia for 2019 with an average of \$81,900 for experienced workers.
- The average annual wage for Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers was \$44,700 for 2019 with an average of \$50,300 for experienced workers.

<u>Fiscal and Facilities</u>: Columbus State University currently has adequate physical and faculty resources to implement the program. The full-time faculty have the required expertise to teach the courses within the program. It is expected that there will be a need to hire part time instructors to support the overall department instructional load. It is expected that with growth a new full-time instructor will be needed in the third year of the program. There is evidence of strong community support to host internships.

Assessment: Student learning outcomes are to be assessed in specific courses over a student's progression through the curriculum. The student learning outcomes will be assessed through a completion of specific assignments, examinations, projects, and papers as well as experiential experiences hosted with community and public service agencies. The program will submit a post approval review to the USG at year four and year seven to track enrollment and graduation rates.

2. Establishment of a Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene, Georgia State University

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of President Mark Becker that Georgia State University ("GSU") be authorized to establish a Bachelor of Science in Dental Hygiene, effective October 13, 2020.

<u>Need/Demand</u>: The Byrdine F. Lewis College of Nursing and Health Professions (Lewis College) at Georgia State University proposes a new baccalaureate degree in dental hygiene that will allow for a degree completion option for students from Georgia State's Perimeter College (PC). According to the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), the growth rate for dental hygienists will be 11%, much higher than the average of all occupations at 5% between the years 2018 – 2028 https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/dental-hygienists.htm Accessed April 29, 2020). The Georgia Department of Labor projects approximately 540 open positions annually for dental hygienists until 2024. This will be the first seamless Associate of Science in Dental Hygiene to Bachelor's in Dental Hygiene (ASDH to BSDH).

<u>Program Summary</u>: The planned program of study has a heavy emphasis on the integration of science, advocacy, leadership, and cultural competency. Preparation for administrative positions is further enhanced by the fact that this program will provide a broad education in dental hygiene science and leadership, two areas of knowledge employers actively seek. Career-ready, highly qualified dental hygienists are needed for Georgia's workforce demands. The program can be completed with either part time or full-time study.

Similar Degrees at USG Institutions

Institution	AY	AY 2018	AY 2019	3-Year
	2017			Average
Clayton State				
Enrollment	97	66	62	75.0
Graduation	30	31	29	30.0
Augusta				
Enrollment	66	62	58	62.0
Graduation	31	37	32	33.33
Georgia Highlands				
Enrollment	20	24	35	26.3
Graduation	17	16	8	13.6

2. <u>Establishment of a Bachelor of Science Dental Hygiene, Georgia State University (Continued)</u>

Career Placement Outlook:

- As of 2020Q1, total employment for Dental Hygienists in Georgia was 6,710.
- Over the prior three years, the occupation added 555 jobs and is expected to increase 721 jobs over the next seven (7) years or at an annual average rate of 1.5% (JobsEQ)
- As of 2002Q1 48.7% of Dental Hygienists have earned an Associate's Degree and 36.4 % have earned a Bachelor's Degree.
- The greatest employment density occurs within Fulton, Cobb, Gwinnett, and Dekalb counties (2,907 positions of the 6,710) suggesting a large pool of potential students.

Salary:

- The average annual wage for Dental Hygienists was \$65,600 as of 2019.
- For the same year, the average entry-level wages were \$46,000 compared to an average of \$75,000 for experienced workers.
- Experienced workers, those earning in the 75% to 90th percentile, can earn \$80,200 to \$92, 700 annually.

<u>Fiscal and Facilities</u>: Existing faculty have expertise and qualifications to teach the courses in the program. Upper division courses will need to be developed. No additional physical space or space renovation is required. With the growth in the program enrollment, Georgia State University will hire (2) new faculty lines over the next two years as well as one (1) academic advisor in year four (2023-2024). Upon approval by the Board of Regents, the Byrdine Lewis College will begin to recruit faculty.

Assessment: Assessment of student learning outcomes will occur in each course through examinations, presentations, course assignments, and capstone projects. The program will submit a post approval review to the USG at year four and year seven to track enrollment and graduation rates.

3. Program Termination Request

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of Dr. Richard Carvajal that Valdosta State University ("VSU") be approved to terminate the "Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training," effective October 13, 2020.

<u>Abstract</u>: Valdosta State University is requesting to terminate the Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training degree. The national accrediting body for athletic training programs has mandated that athletic training will occur only at the graduate level. Valdosta State University recently received BOR approval for a masters degree in athletic training. As all students interested in pursuing this degree will now be enrolled in graduate level programs the BS program is no longer needed. Undergraduates can pursue the Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences and then apply for the Masters of Science in Athletic Training.

The last cohort of undergraduate students was admitted at the end of the 2016-2017 academic year. All students in that cohort successfully met the graduation requirements by the end of spring or summer semester 2020. All students are eligible to take the BOC Exam because they successfully completed all graduation and program requirements. Termination of the program will not have an adverse impact on faculty members or students.

Academic Naming

4. Naming of John E. Sallstrom Honors College, Georgia College and State University

Recommended: That the Board approve the naming of the newly created Honors College at Georgia College and State University ("GCSU") as the "John E. Sallstrom Honors College" in recognition of Dr. Sallstrom's thirty-five years of service to the Honors Program and with the generous philanthropic support of Dr. Ken Saladin, effective October 13, 2020.

<u>Understandings</u>: President Steve Dorman confirms that this naming conforms to the GCSU naming guidelines and with the Board of Regents policy on Naming of Places, Colleges or Schools BOR Policy 7.4.1.

Dr. John E. Sallstrom joined GCSU in 1967 as chair of the Department of Philosophy and Religion. In 1970, he helped start an Honors Program to provide special learning opportunities for the most accomplished students. He served as the first chair of the Honors Committee and in 1978 was officially named coordinator. He directed the program until 1997, when he became the Associate Vice President for Academic Services. He continued to supervise the director until his retirement as Professor Emeritus in philosophy and religion in 2005.

Dr. Sallstrom hosted the founding meeting of the Georgia Honors Council in 1984 and served as its president from 1984-1986. He also served as state coordinator for the Southern Regional Honors Council from 1992 to 2003.

Following forty years of exemplary service to GCSU, Dr. Kenneth S. Saladin retired from the faculty as a Distinguished Professor of Biology, Emeritus in 2017. Dr. Saladin's lifetime gifts to the university total \$3.1 million, including his most recent gift of \$1 million to the Honors Program. This gift, which coincides with the 50th anniversary of Honors programming at GCSU, will enable the university to recognize Dr. Sallstrom's pivotal role in establishing the program and to continue to provide exceptional learning opportunities for its students.

5. Naming of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Kennesaw State University

Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Tristan Denley will present a request from President Pamela Whitten for the Board to approve the naming of the existing College of Humanities and Social Sciences at Kennesaw State University in recognition of the philanthropy, distinguished service, and leadership of a major supporter.

CONSENT ITEMS:

6. Named/Endowed Faculty Positions

a. <u>Establishment of the Ralph I and Martha Brooks King Distinguished Chair in Education, Columbus State University</u>

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of President Christopher Markwood that Columbus State University ("CSU") be authorized to establish the Ralph I and Martha Brooks King Distinguished Chair in Education effective October 13, 2020.

<u>Abstract</u>: Columbus State University Foundation has verified funding of \$1,002,128.40 sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

<u>Bio</u>: This establishment in memory of Ralph I and Martha Brooks King by their daughter Martha King Cunningham. Ralph King worked tirelessly to ensure future generations of students would have the privilege of attending college. In 1947 Ralph King became one of the first to support what was then called Columbus Community College, King helped raise funds for the new school especially the department that would become the Schwob School of Music. Martha taught commercial law at Industrial High School and following the depression she and her friend Weeda Matthews founded Open Door Community home, committed to long term solutions to poverty.

6. Named/Endowed Faculty Positions (Continued)

b. <u>Establishment of the Frady Whipple Professorship of Mathematics, Georgia State University</u>

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of President Mark P. Becker that Georgia State University ("GSU") be authorized to establish the Frady Whipple Professorship of Mathematics effective October 13, 2020.

<u>Abstract</u>: Georgia State University Foundation has verified funding of \$250,000 sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

<u>Bio</u>: Danner (D.R.) and Patty Grimes (the Donors) are sponsoring the Frady Whipple Professor of Mathematics Endowment at Georgia State University. D.R. Grimes has a BS degree in Mathematics from Georgia State and has resided in Atlanta area for over 50 years. He was the CEO of NetBank, Inc. the first profitable Internet bank and the most successful company in the early internet era. Mr. Grimes served on the MIS Advisory Board of the Terry College, the Board of the Greater Atlanta Community Foundation, and chaired the North Central Georgia Habitat for Humanity board. He has also been the Treasurer or President of several other for profit and not for profit boards.

Patty (Rhodes) Grimes has a BS degree in Mathematics from UGA. She had a career in banking and technology with SunTrust Banks, Inc. where she was Senior Vice President and Manager of Application Systems. She later was on the Board of Directors for Chattahoochee National Bank. She has previously served on the MIS Advisory Board of the Terry College, and she is a founding member of the Franklin College Advisory Board.

While attending Georgia State in the 1960's D.R. was greatly influenced by the teaching of Charles Frady and Kenneth Whipple. They taught D.R. to love the basics of mathematics starting with the simplest constructs and developing the more advanced areas from the elementary structures and their extensions.

c. Zoukis Endowed Professorship in Politics and Justice, Georgia State University

Recommended: That the Board approve the request of President Mark P. Becker that Georgia State University ("GSU") be approved to establish the Zoukis Endowed Professorship in Politics and Justice, effective October 13, 2020.

<u>Abstract</u>: Georgia State University Foundation has verified funding of \$251,697 sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

<u>Bio</u>: Suzan M. Zoukis, B.A., Sociology, '84, became interested and involved in the criminal justice system when her son, Hardy, was sentenced under mandatory sentencing regulations at the age of 19. She and her husband, Stephen, were surprised at the length of their son's sentence and were initially curious whether these longer sentences had any effect on the rates of recidivism.

Through the years they have been visiting and assisting their son during his time in prison and have developed an interest in the length of incarceration along with the prison experience. Young men who spend years in prison with little to no job training or education, and with very little connection to the outside world, come to their release dates unprepared to move back into society.

7. Named Faculty Positions:

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

Institution Name: Augusta University

University Faculty's Name: Dean Allen Seehusen, M.D.

Name of Position: Georgia Academy of Family Physicians Joseph W. Tollison, M.D.,

Distinguished University Chair

Institution Name: Augusta University

University Faculty's Name: Kathleen May, M.D.

Name of Position: Betty B. Wray, M.D. Chair in Pediatrics

Institution Name: Columbus State University **University Faculty's Name:** Deirdre Greer, Ph.D.

Name of Position: Ralph I and Martha Brooks King Distinguished Chair in Education

Institution Name: Georgia State University **University Faculty's Name**: Harold Weston, JD

Named Position: Wholesale Specialty and Insurance Association (WSIA) Distinguished Chair

Institution Name: Georgia State University

University Faculty's Name: Baozhong Yang, Ph.D. Named Position: H. Talmage Dobbs Jr. Chair in Finance

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1. Honorary Degree Request

Savannah State University Interim President Kimberly Ballard-Washington seeks the Board's approval to award an honorary degree to Savannah Mayor Van R. Johnson, II.



September 22, 2020

Dr. Steve Wrigley, Chancellor Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia 270 Washington Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Chancellor Wrigley:

I am writing to request that the Board of Regents confer upon the Honorable Van R. Johnson, II, Mayor of Savannah, Georgia an honorary doctorate degree from Savannah State University. Mayor Johnson has had a long and distinguished career in public service, having served four terms as an Alderman for the First District prior to his election as Savannah's 67th Mayor in November 2019.

A native of Brooklyn, New York, Mayor Johnson received his early education in the New York City Public Schools. He then earned his undergraduate degree in business administration from Savannah State University, and his master's degree from Georgia Southern University.

Beyond education, Mayor Johnson has also demonstrated a lifelong commitment to Professional Development. He holds a nationally recognized professional certification in Human Resources, and is a Georgia-certified Law Enforcement Professional. He is also a graduate of Leadership Savannah and Leadership Georgia.

Mayor Johnson is recognized as an innovator and thought leader in youth development, having served for over 23 years as the Director of the Chatham County Youth Commission. This service has resulted in the opportunity to use his expertise and platform to assist cities and counties across the nation in developing governmental youth development programs, to include co-founding the Savannah Youth Council in 2004.

While his impact has been felt throughout the region and across the nation, Mayor Johnson's dedication to children, youth and families has also been prominently displayed in the Savannah community. He has served as President of the Board of Directors of the Wesley Community Centers of Savannah, past Board Chair of the Chatham County Department of Family and Children Services, and with numerous local non-profit organizations. He is a life member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and the International Business Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi, along with numerous other social and civic organizations.

Mayor Johnson has been a staunch supporter of Savannah State University throughout his life and serves as a mentor and role model for our students. He is a daily example of the motto of Savannah State University, "You Can Get Anywhere From Here."

We asked Mayor Johnson to serve as our commencement speaker for spring of 2020, but due to the pandemic, we did not have a speaker. He has graciously accepted our invitation to be the speaker for our fall commencement in December.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of our request for Mayor Van Johnson II to receive this esteemed honor. Please let me know if additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Ballard-Washington

Interim President

2. 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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COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE AND FACILITIES

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COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE AND FACILITIES

October 13, 2020

1. <u>Authorization of Project No. BR-87-2101, Baseball/Softball Complex, Georgia Highlands College</u>

<u>Recommended</u>: That the Board authorize Project No. BR-87-2101, Baseball/Softball Complex on Board of Regents' property adjacent to the Cartersville campus of Georgia Highlands College ("GHC"). Funding for this project would be provided through a gift of services from a local business executive who has agreed to design and construct a new baseball and softball complex (the "Complex") for GHC. The value of this gift would be approximately \$5,700,000.

<u>Understandings</u>: The Board was informed of this potential project at its meeting in September 2019. GHC's varsity baseball team currently leases space at the Lakepoint Sports Community in Emerson, while the varsity softball team borrows fields from Bartow County. Completion of the Complex would allow these teams to relocate to owned facilities adjacent to GHC's campus in Cartersville. In addition to new fields for both teams, the scope of the project includes concession areas, spectator restrooms, and associated infrastructure such as parking and lighting. GHC would be responsible for operating the Complex post-construction, a cost that would be partially offset by the elimination of expenses associated with the current off-campus baseball and softball activities.

If authorized by the Board, the donor will proceed with design and construction of the Complex. University System Office staff and GHC will have the opportunity to review and provide input on all documents associated with the planned construction.







Proposed Site of Baseball/Softball Complex

2. <u>Authorization of Project No. BR-50-2101, Natural Science Center Room No. 360</u> <u>Renovation for BSL-3 Laboratories, Georgia State University</u>

<u>Recommended</u>: That the Board authorize Project No. BR-50-2101, Natural Science Center Room No. 360 Renovation for BSL-3 Laboratories, on the Atlanta campus of Georgia State University ("GSU") with a total project budget of \$2,115,000, to be funded from indirect cost recovery funds and reserves.

<u>Understandings</u>: This project would involve conversion of an existing Bio-Safety Level 2 laboratory in GSU's Natural Science Center to a Bio-Safety Level 3 ("BSL-3") laboratory and related support space that would be utilized for the study of coronavirus and other emerging infectious diseases. Totaling approximately 1,900 square feet, the renovated space would include three BSL-3 laboratories, two animal holding rooms, and two animal procedure rooms with air lock and fumigation capabilities. The space would be outfitted with a robust heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system and would be equipped with advanced temperature and humidity control systems necessary for high-containment laboratories.

The estimated construction cost for this project is \$1,543,000. If authorized by the Board, the University System Office staff and GSU will proceed with design and construction of the project in accordance with Board of Regents procedures.

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS MAP



3. Ranking of Design Professional Firms, Project No. BR-66-2101, South Campus Roadway Extension, Georgia Southern University

<u>Recommended</u>: That the Board approve the ranking of the design professional firms named below for the identified project 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. The following recommendation is made:

Project No. BR-66-2101, South Campus Roadway Extension, Georgia Southern University

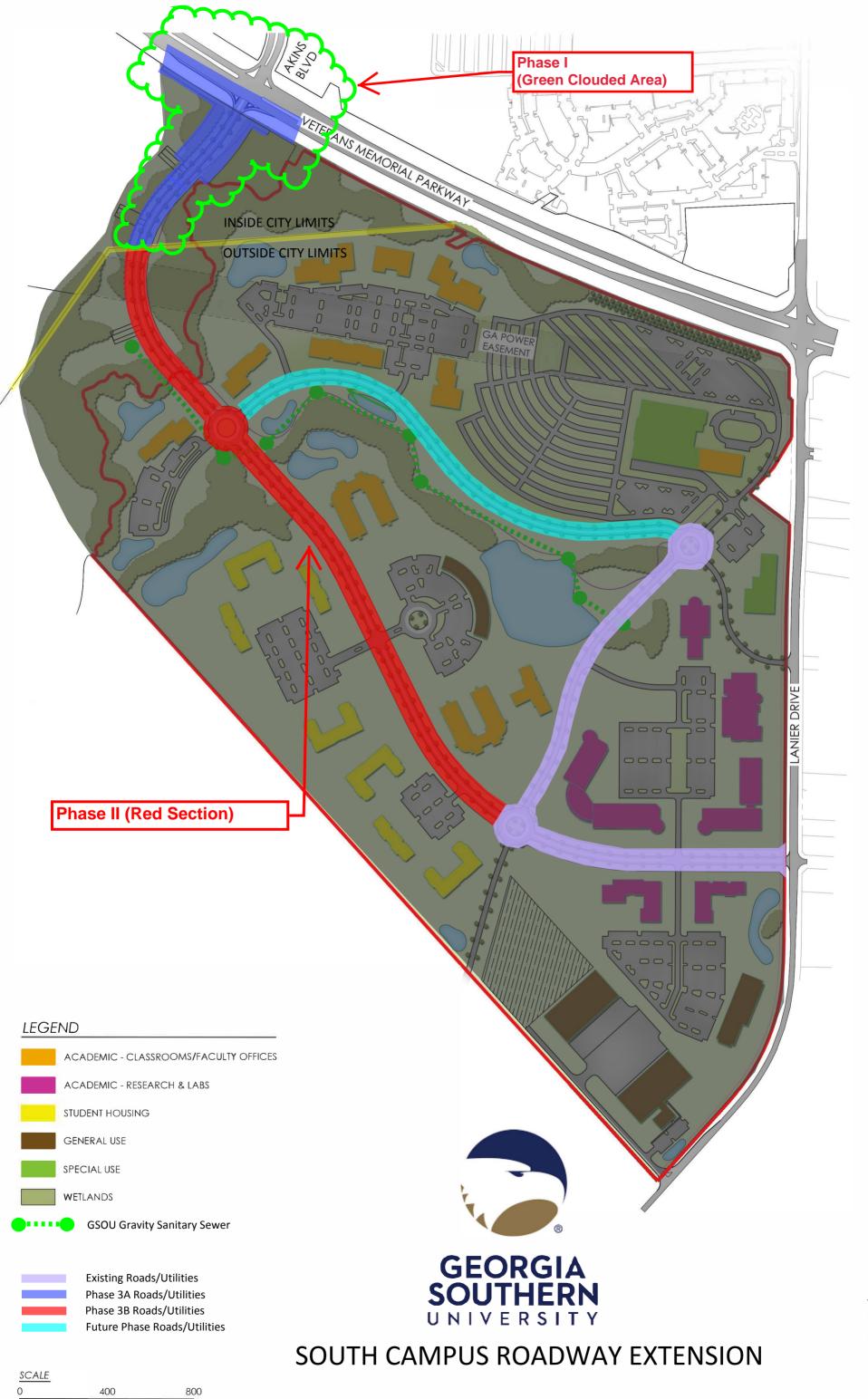
Project Description: The South Campus Roadway Extension project (the "Project") was authorized by the Board in August 2020. This ranking of design professional firms is associated with the second phase of the Project ("Phase II"), which would connect the Project's first phase with the road completed pursuant to the J-302 South Campus Infrastructure Development project that the Board approved as part of the Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Outlay. Phase II would be partially funded with \$5,330,000 from the Georgia Department of Transportation's Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, with the remaining \$1,099,000 to be sourced from institutional funds.

Total Project Cost - Phase II: \$6,429,000 Construction Cost (Stated Cost Limitation): \$5,016,000

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 4

Recommended firms in rank order:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)



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4. <u>Amendment to Sub-Rental Agreement, 2750 Womble Road, San Diego, California, Georgia Institute of Technology</u>

Recommended: That the Board authorize execution of an amendment to a sub-rental agreement for office space at 2750 Womble Road in San Diego, California (the "Property") between the Georgia Tech Applied Research Corporation, as Landlord, and the Board of Regents, as Tenant, for the use and benefit of the Georgia Institute of Technology ("GIT"). This amendment would allow GIT to expand its existing space at the Property from 12,331 square feet ("SF") to approximately 23,831 SF at a total monthly rental amount of \$89,528 (\$1,074,336 per year annualized/\$45.08 per SF). The amendment would include options to renew the agreement on an annual basis for seven (7) years and four (4) months ending around January 2028. Rent for the new leased space would increase at a rate of 3.0% annually.

<u>Understandings</u>: At its April 2017 meeting, the Board approved a new lease for Suite 100 of the Property, which is known as the Liberty Station Business Park. Approval of this amendment would provide GIT the opportunity to add approximately 11,500 square feet in Suite 201 to accommodate increased staffing needs and provide new secured space for the Georgia Tech Research Institute ("GTRI"). As the current agreement is scheduled to end in April 2023, the amendment would also provide additional renewal terms for Suite 101 so that the GTRI's tenancy in both spaces may terminate concurrently.

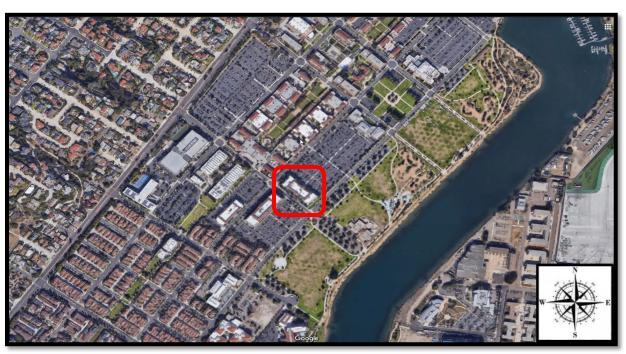
San Diego is home to the U.S. Navy's Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center Pacific, a key GTRI sponsor. Maintaining a presence in San Diego is critical for GTRI given the daily interaction required with its locally based clients, including the Department of Defense and numerous intelligence community organizations. The office supports a broad range of projects targeted at cybersecurity, situational awareness, command and control, network engineering, security engineering, and telecommunications.

The rental agreement would provide a tenant improvement allowance of \$977,500 that would be used primarily to build out the new space. Additional rent may be due for Tenant's pro-rata share of any increases in building operating expenses over the term of the amended agreement.



GTRI San Diego 2750 Womble Road • San Diego, California





5. <u>Transfer of Name, Penny and Roe Stamps Student Center Commons, Georgia Institute of Technology</u>

<u>Recommended</u>: That the Board approve the transfer of the Penny and Roe Stamps Student Center Commons name to the newly constructed Campus Center annex at the Georgia Institute of Technology ("GIT").

<u>Understandings</u>: President Ángel Cabrera confirms that this naming conforms to the GIT naming guidelines and with the Board of Regents naming policy.

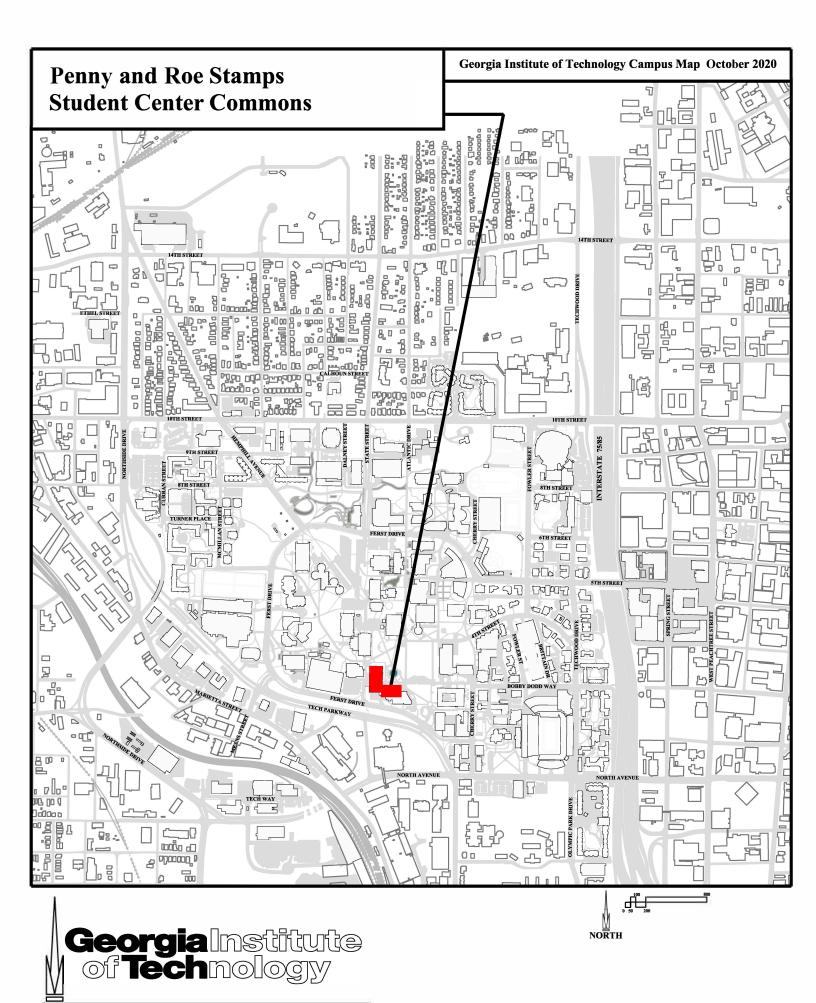
Opened in early 1970, the Fred B. Wenn Student Center contained almost 100,000 square feet of space, including a cafeteria, ballroom, movie theater, meeting rooms, full-service post office, art gallery, chapel, table service dining area, and an indoor recreation area. The bookstore was housed in the adjacent Frank K. Houston Building until it was relocated to Technology Square in 2003.

In June 2003, Penny and Roe Stamps committed \$1,445,000 to assist in renovating the vacated bookstore space into a two-story student commons containing community spaces, study and gathering areas, dining facilities, retail spaces, meeting areas, and a student radio station. In August 2004, the Board approved GIT's request to name the renovated facility as the Penny and Roe Stamps Student Center Commons ("Stamps Commons").

As part of the Campus Center project authorized by the Board in May 2018, Stamps Commons will be demolished and replaced with a three-story annex to the Student Center. The new space will be dedicated to supporting the diverse GIT community and serving students' needs for social interaction, stress reduction, and creative expression.

The Stamps family's deep and abiding ties to GIT include support of the Stamps Leadership Scholars Program, and is further recognized in the naming of the Student Health Center and Campus Recreation Center's athletic field.

E. Roe Stamps IV received an industrial engineering degree in 1967, an MSIE in 1972, and an honorary doctorate in 2014. Roe earned an MBA from Harvard Business School in 1974. His late wife Penny was a graduate of the University of Michigan, a design professional, arts advocate, teacher, and philanthropist. She was named an honorary GIT alumna in 2015.



6. Naming of Nease Baseball Complex, Georgia Institute of Technology

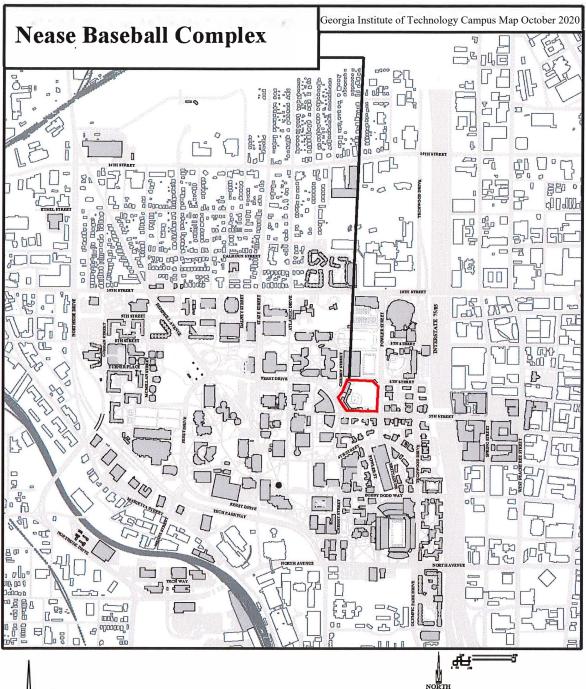
<u>Recommended</u>: That the Board approve the naming of the area containing the existing Russ R. Chandler Baseball Stadium (the "Stadium") and newly constructed entry-level atrium, fan amenities on the third base concourse, and indoor training facility at the Georgia Institute of Technology ("GIT") as the Nease Baseball Complex in recognition of Lawton and Brenda Nease's generous philanthropy and service.

<u>Understandings</u>: President Ángel Cabrera confirms that this naming conforms to the GIT naming guidelines and with the Board of Regents naming policy.

Dr. Lawton M. "Mac" Nease III received his industrial management degree from GIT in 1965 and earned his MBA and Ph.D. in business from Georgia State University. During his time at GIT, he was a member of the Yellow Jackets baseball team. Dr. Nease and his wife Brenda have a longstanding history of philanthropy to GIT and its athletics programs, including support for the Stadium Phase I renovations, the Nease Family Baseball Scholarship Endowment, and the GT Promise Scholarship Endowment. The Neases' current gift will provide more than half the funds needed for Phase II of the Stadium renovation, which is expected to be complete in the first quarter of 2021.

Dr. Nease has served on a number of Georgia Tech boards and committees, including the Georgia Tech Foundation Board of Trustees, the Athletic Association Board of Trustees, the Campaign Georgia Tech Steering Committee, three reunion committees, the Alexander-Tharpe Fund Board of Trustees, the Alumni Association Board of Trustees, and the Scheller College of Business Advisory Board.

In 2004, the Georgia Tech Alumni Association recognized Dr. Nease with the J.M. Pettit Distinguished Service Award, the highest award conveyed by the Alumni Association to an alumnus/alumna.



Georgia Institute of **Tech**nology

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

Atlanta, Georgia September 15, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 15, 2020, in Room 7007 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington St., SW, Atlanta, Georgia, and simultaneously accessible by BOR Webcast and telephonic dial in. The Chairman of the Board, Regent Sachin Shailendra, called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Shailendra, were Vice Chairman James M. Hull; Regents W. Allen Gudenrath; Erin Hames; Bárbara Rivera Holmes; Samuel D. Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Cade Joiner; Everett Kennedy; Lowery May; Jose R. Perez; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; Sarah-Elizabeth Langford Reed; Harold Reynolds; T. Dallas Smith; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Regents Don L. Waters and Rachel B. Little were excused.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Secretary to the Board Edward Tate gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

With motion made and properly seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Board's meeting of August 11, 2020.

FISCAL YEAR 2022 OPERATING BUDGET REQUEST

Executive Vice Chancellor for Strategy & Fiscal Affairs Tracey Cook presented the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Operating Budget Request. The University System of Georgia (USG) is requesting \$2.36 billion, which includes increases for enrollment growth, maintenance and operations, and payback projects, and decreases related to lower health insurance costs and a reduction in payments owed to the Teachers Retirement System.

With motion made and variously seconded, the Regents present unanimously approved the FY 2022 Operating Budget Request as presented.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Chancellor Wrigley began his report by congratulating the Board, USG presidents, and the leadership teams that made it possible for all 26 USG institutions to resume in-person instruction this fall. Although the pandemic has caused new challenges, the USG continues to focus on supporting students so they achieve their academic goals, graduate, and join the workplace. The Chancellor reported that despite increases in positive COVID-19 tests on some campuses, the implementation of on-campus risk reduction efforts like social distancing and the use of masks has been effective across the System. Most of the first USG campuses that experienced initial increases have seen significant declines, and students who tested positive mostly have had mild or no symptoms and have returned to class after getting well; there have been few cases reported among faculty and staff. Chancellor Wrigley encouraged everyone to avoid large gatherings, maintain their distance, and wear face masks.

Chancellor Wrigley then mentioned several highlights from across the University System. Increasing the use of free or low-cost textbooks has been a major USG initiative during the past few years, and in Spring 2020 USG students saved \$27 million thanks to this endeavor. Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College now offers 89% of course sections with free or low-cost books and materials, furthering the USG's top priorities of being more efficient and affordable. The Chancellor mentioned that a post-tenure working group was recently created to evaluate existing policy and practices and make recommendations for improvements, allowing for the modernization of policies that were created in the 1990s. Chancellor Wrigley thanked Regents Erin Hames and Harold Reynolds for agreeing to participate in the working group, which will be chaired by Dr. Kathy Schwaig, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs at Kennesaw State University. The Chancellor congratulated Augusta University, which recently received \$500,000 from the Department of Defense

Cybersecurity Scholarship Program to continue developing students who are interested in information technology and cybersecurity. He also congratulated University of North Georgia (UNG) President Bonita Jacobs, who will officially open the university's newest standalone campus, UNG Blue Ridge, tomorrow. Lastly, the Chancellor recognized Dalton State College, which became Georgia's first and only Hispanic-Serving Institution two years ago. This federal designation makes the institution eligible for grants that benefit the entire campus, such as the \$2.1 million grant it earned last year to expand academic support services to all students. This is a fitting announcement as we celebrate Hispanic-Serving Institution Week this week.

Chancellor Wrigley concluded his remarks with a historical note. On this day in 1997, Sergey Brin and Larry Page registered the Google.com domain name for their new internet search technology, paving the way for what became a technology revolution that would alter the very fabric of our lives and everyday culture.

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 Committee on Academic Affairs
- the Committee on Organization & Law
- the Committee on Personnel & Benefits
- the Committee on Real Estate & Facilities

Regent Kessel D. Stelling, Jr., recused himself from voting on the Real Estate & Facilities item: Non-Exclusive Easement, J. Phil Campbell Sr. Research and Education Center, Watkinsville, Oconee County, University of Georgia.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Regent Harold Reynolds, Chairman of the Regents' Nominating Committee, proposed a slate of Board officers for 2021, with Regent Sachin D. Shailendra serving as Chairman and Regent Cade Joiner serving as Vice Chairman. He thanked Regents Neil L. Pruitt, Jr., and Rachel B. Little for their service on the Committee.

With motion made and properly seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to elect Regent Shailendra as 2021 Chairman.

With motion made and properly seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to elect Regent Joiner as 2021 Vice Chairman.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Several letters and a petition were presented to the Board for review. Secretary to the Board Edward Tate announced that the next BOR meeting will be held on October 13, 2020, at the Board's offices in Atlanta.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Shailendra called for an executive session at approximately 9:57 a.m. to discuss pending litigation and personnel matters. With motion properly made and seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to go into executive session.

RECONVENE

Following the executive session, Chairman Shailendra reconvened the Board in its regular session at approximately 11:05 a.m. and announced that the Board took no actions during the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m. Sachin D. Shailendra Chairman, Board of Regents University System of Georgia Edward M. Tate Secretary, Board of Regents University System of Georgia

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 9:00 a.m. on Monday, September 14, via a telephonic meeting in light of the Georgia Public Health State of Emergency due to COVID-19. Committee Chairwoman Erin Hames called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairwoman Hames, were Committee Vice Chairwoman Bárbara Rivera Holmes; Regents W. Allen Gudenrath; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Rachel B. Little; Lowery May; Jose R. Perez; and Don L. Waters. Chancellor Steve Wrigley and Board Chairman Sachin Shailendra also were present. Unless otherwise noted, the Regents present approved all items unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. The Committee approved the establishment of a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering Technology at South Georgia State College.
- 2. The Committee approved the establishment of a Master of Science in International Affairs, Science, and Technology at the Georgia Institute of Technology.
- 3. The Committee approved the establishment of a Master of Science with a major in Nutrition and Foods at Georgia Southern University.
- 4. The Committee approved a proposed revision to *The Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Section 2.8, Institutional Mission.

CONSENT ITEMS

- 5. The Committee approved the establishment of an endowed position at Georgia State University.
- 6. The Committee approved the renaming of the John H. "Johnny Isakson" Chair for Parkinson's Research to the John H. "Johnny Isakson" Chair for Parkinson's Research and GRA Eminent Scholar at the University of Georgia.
- 7. The Committee approved the appointment of two endowed faculty positions at the University of Georgia.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for Committee consideration, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:17 a.m. on Monday, September 14.

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 9:18 a.m. on Monday, September 14, 2020, via a telephonic meeting in light of the Georgia Public Health State of Emergency due to COVID-19. Committee Chairman Don L. Waters called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Waters, were Committee Vice Chairman C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; Regents W. Allen Gudenrath; Erin Hames; Bárbara Rivera Holmes; Rachel B. Little; Lowery May; and Jose R. Perez. Chancellor Steve Wrigley and Board Chairman Sachin Shailendra also were present. Unless otherwise noted, the Regents present approved all items unanimously.

APPROVAL ITEM

The Committee approved proposed revisions to *The Board of Regents Policy Manual*, Sections 6.7, Sexual Misconduct Policy, and 4.6.5, Standards for Institutional Student Conduct Investigation and Disciplinary Proceedings, in response to new Title IX regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Education.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Waters called for an executive session at 9:27 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.

RECONVENE

After the Committee exited executive session, Chairman Waters reconvened the Committee in its regular session at 10:18 a.m. and announced that no actions were taken during the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m. on Monday, September 14.

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL & BENEFITS

The Committee on Personnel & Benefits of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 10:30 a.m. on Monday, September 14, 2020, via a telephonic meeting in light of the Georgia Public Health State of Emergency due to COVID-19. Committee Vice Chairwoman Sarah-Elizabeth Langford Reed called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Vice Chairwoman Reed, were Regents Samuel D. Holmes; Cade Joiner; Everett Kennedy; Harold Reynolds; T. Dallas Smith; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Chancellor Steve Wrigley, Board Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra, and Regents W. Allen Gudenrath and C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr., also were present. Committee Chairman Neil L. Pruitt, Jr., was excused.

INFORMATION ITEM

Vice Chancellor for Human Resources Dr. Juanita Hicks presented the Retirement Waiver Approval Report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:33 a.m. on Monday, September 14.

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE & FACILITIES

The Committee on Real Estate and Facilities of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at 10:34 a.m. on Monday, September 14, 2020, via a telephonic meeting in light of the Georgia Public Health State of Emergency due to COVID-19. Committee Chairman Samuel D. Holmes called the meeting to order. Present, in addition to Chairman Holmes, were Committee Vice Chairman T. Dallas Smith; Regents Cade Joiner; Everett Kennedy; Sarah-Elizabeth Langford Reed; Harold Reynolds; Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.; and Philip A. Wilheit, Sr. Regent Neil L. Pruitt, Jr., was excused. Chancellor Steve Wrigley, Board Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra, and Regents W. Allen Gudenrath and C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr., also were present. Unless otherwise noted, the Regents present approved all items unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEM

1. Vice Chancellor for Real Estate & Facilities Sandra Neuse provided a written report of real estate actions taken within delegated authority between April 1 and August 30, 2020.

APPROVAL ITEMS

- 2. The Committee authorized the granting of a non-exclusive easement at the J. Phil Campbell Sr. Research and Education Center in Watkinsville, Oconee County, for the University of Georgia. Regent Kessel D. Stelling, Jr., recused himself from voting on this item.
- 3. The Committee approved the naming of Edwards Hall at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:38 a.m. on Monday, September 14, 2020.