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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Wednesday, June 20, 2018; 9:00 a.m.
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
Woodland Commons
285 Old Westport Road
North Dartmouth, Massachusetts**

Trustees Present: Chairman Manning; Vice Chair Peters; Trustees Buonomo, Burns, Dunlea, Epstein, Fubini, Furman, Karam, Milkowski, O'Brien, Peyser, Reed, Reid, Scheibel, Thomas, Tolman and Wu

Trustees Absent: Trustees Osterhaus-Houle, Paris Jeffries, Woolridge and Yu

University Administration: President Meehan; General Counsel Leone; Chancellors Subbaswamy, Mills, Johnson, Moloney and Collins

Faculty Representatives: Professor Hoagland, UMass Amherst; Professor Lublin, UMass Boston; Professor Abdallah, UMass Lowell; Professor Weinstein, UMass Medical School

Chairman Manning convened the meeting at 9:04 a.m.

Chair's Report

Chairman Manning thanked Chancellor Johnson and his team for hosting the Board. The Board had the opportunity to listen to the Chancellor's vision for UMass Dartmouth at yesterday's Committee of the Whole.

Chairman Manning provided an overview of the day's agenda. He then commented on the press attacks on the Board and on President Meehan in regards to the issues at the Boston campus and the Mt. Ida College acquisition. Chairman Manning shared his perspective on the University and its future. He stated that as a public institution, it is the Board's job to seize opportunities in the Commonwealth. He commended President Meehan for his leadership.

Chair Manning announced that per the Board Bylaws, the Governance Committee membership for 2018-2019 has been established. He will serve as Chair; Trustee Scheibel as Vice Chair; and Trustees Osterhaus-Houle and Peters will serve as members. The Governance Committee will meet over the summer to discuss board leadership and report back to the Board in September.

Student Trustee Report, UMass Dartmouth

Trustee Reid welcomed the Board to the campus and stated that it was a great pleasure to address the Board at her last meeting as the UMass Dartmouth Student Trustee. She thanked the Board for

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all it has done for her and her fellow students. Trustee Reid announced that she will be continuing her education at UMass Law.

Trustee Reid commented on how proud and optimistic she was for the future of UMass Dartmouth. Since the Chancellor's arrival, the new administration has put the campus on the right track. She commented on the expansion of the University noting that it is in the best interest of the students and the state. She encouraged everyone to work collaboratively to find common ground and do what is best for the UMass system.

Out-going Student Trustees

Chairman Manning then acknowledged the outgoing Student Trustees for their commitment and service to the Board. Derek Dunlea from UMass Amherst, Lindy Reed from UMass Lowell and Samantha Reid from UMass Dartmouth graduated this spring. Camilla Yu from the UMass Medical School earned her M.D. Gray Milkowski from UMass Boston will graduate in December.

President's Report

President Meehan commented on the timeline for setting tuition on the undergraduate campuses for the upcoming academic year. The tuition discussion will take place at a special Board meeting in July. A 2.5% tuition increase recommendation will be made to the Board in order to minimize budget cuts on the campuses and ensure continued academic excellence.

President Meehan announced that the graduating Class of 2018 was the largest in UMass history, with nearly 18,000 students earning degrees across the five campuses. This record is a significant milestone for the UMass system and for Massachusetts.

He announced that following the board meeting, the President's Office is hosting the first system-wide "Congress" to consider the challenges stemming from the "demographic decline" of the college age population in New England. The event will include a conversation with Economist Nathan Grawe, the leading thinker on the question of demographic decline. President Meehan encouraged Trustees to attend.

President Meehan provided campus highlights including: UMass Amherst recently received two major acknowledgements for its efforts on sustainability; several construction major projects are nearing completion at UMass Boston, the 1,400-space parking garage is set to open mid-summer, and the residence halls will open this fall; bar pass rates at UMass Law continue to impress, and for the first time since it was founded in 2010, UMass Law has placed more than half of the graduates from last year's class into full-time attorney work; UMass Lowell's Global Entrepreneurship Exchange, a pilot program that began in 2014, is being nationally recognized as a model of international education with an award for innovation from the Institute of International Education; Chancellor Collins and several faculty members from the UMass Medical School recently joined former Secretary of State John Kerry in Shenzhen, China for the 2018 Shenzhen Life and Health Sciences Conference.

President Meehan commented that over the weekend an op-ed article that was published in *The Berkshire Eagle* by Trustee Imari Paris Jeffries on the importance of Legislation providing job-protected paid leave for family needs arising from a family member's active duty military service.

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He acknowledged Trustee Paris Jeffries for his service, for his non-profit work, and for his commitment to UMass.

Public Speakers

Thondup Tsering from the Confucius Institute Coalition at UMass Amherst provided an overview of China's Confucius Institute and expressed concerns over UMass Boston's signed contract agreeing to follow China's laws and regulations, and ceding academic control to Beijing. He stated that he sees no place for the Chinese government's Confucius Institute at UMass Boston, nor in the UMass system. He called on the Board of Trustees to immediately terminate UMass Boston's partnership with China's Confucius Institute.

Professor Michael Hartt from UMass Boston objected to the Confucius Institute at UMass Boston and stated that he felt it highly inappropriate to give Beijing the power to determine curriculum on a U.S. college campus. He believes that UMass entered into the agreement with the Confucius Institute with a sincere desire to provide opportunities for its students to study Chinese language and culture, but enough attention was not given to the compromises of academic freedom that are inherent in any agreement with the Chinese government. He stated that the benefit to UMass students should be re-examined.

Standing Committee Reports:

Committee on Academic and Student Affairs

Vice Chair Peters reported that the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs met on May 30, 2018 and approved the minutes of the November 15, 2017 CASA open and executive sessions. Following brief reports from President Meehan and Senior Vice President Newman, the Committee considered and voted to approve the Appointments to Named Professorships including Endowed Chairs for UMass Amherst, Lowell and the Medical School. The Committee voted to place the one action item on a Consent Agenda for the Board's action. There was an information item on the Student Profile Fall 2017. There was then a discussion on Student Mental Health and the National Dilemma and Local Responses. The Committee then voted to enter into Executive Session to consider two action items, and voted to include them in the Consent Agenda for Board action.

Consent Agenda

Chairman Manning then asked for a motion to approve items 1-3 on the Consent Agenda by a single vote. It was moved and seconded.

VOTED: To approve the following votes listed as 1-3 on the Consent Agenda:

The Committee on Academic and Student Affairs approved items 1-3 on May 30, 2018.

1. **Appointments to Named Professorships including Endowed Chairs, UMass Amherst, Lowell, Medical School (Doc. T18-028)**

To concur with the President in the appointment of Professor Jay Berkovitz as Distinguished Professor in the Department of Judaic & Near Eastern Studies at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

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- And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Professor Alon Confino to the Pen Tishkach Chair in Holocaust Studies in the Department of History at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.
- And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Professor Lixin Gao as Distinguished Professor at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.
- And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Professor Andrew McCallum as Distinguished Professor at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.
- And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Professor Krish Thiagarajan to the Endowed Chair in Renewable Energy at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.
- And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Professor Alan Williams to the Nancy Donahue Professorship in the Arts at the University of Massachusetts Lowell.
- And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Professor Jane Freedman, MD to the Edward Budnitz Professorship in Cardiovascular Medicine at the University of Massachusetts Medical School.
- And further, To concur with the President in the appointment Professor Jonathan Gerber, MD to the Eleanor Eustis Farrington Chair in Cancer Research at the University of Massachusetts Medical School.
- And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Professor Jason Shohet, MD, PhD to the Ali and John Pierce Chair of Pediatric Hematology / Oncology at the University of Massachusetts Medical School.

2. **Appointments with Tenure, UMass Amherst, Lowell (Doc. T18-032)**

To concur with the President in the appointment of Alon Confino as Professor with tenure in the Department of History at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Seth W. Donahue as Professor with tenure in the Department of Biomedical Engineering at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Tammy L. Haut Donahue as Professor with tenure in the Department of Biomedical Engineering at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Krish Thiagarajan as Professor with tenure in the Department of Mechanical and Industrial

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Engineering at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Golbon Zakeri as Associate Professor with tenure in the Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering University of Massachusetts Amherst.

And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Steve Balsis as Professor with tenure in the Department of Psychology University of Massachusetts Lowell.

And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Pauline Brennan as Professor with tenure in the School of Criminology and Justice Studies at the University of Massachusetts Lowell.

And further, To concur with the President in the appointment of Lisa Geraci as Professor with Tenure in the Department of Psychology at the University of Massachusetts Lowell.

3. **Awards of Tenure, UMass Amherst, Boston, Lowell (Doc. T18-033)**

To concur with the President in the awards of tenure to the following individuals in the following Departments:

AMHERST

Leontine Alkema, Biostatistics and Epidemiology
Trisha Andrew, Chemistry
Jessica Barr, Languages, Literatures, and Cultures
Angélica Bernal, Political Science
George Bradley Bennett, Accounting
Katherine Elaine Boyer, Kinesiology
Joshua A. Braun, Journalism
Caryn Brause, Architecture
Caitlyn Shea Butler, Civil and Environmental Engineering
Julio Capó, History
Fousseni Chabi-Yo, Finance
Min Chen, Chemistry
Vanessa de Harven, Philosophy
Kristen DeAngelis, Microbiology
Darrell Earnest, Teacher Education and Curriculum Studies
Regina Galasso, Languages, Literatures, and Cultures
Ela Gezen, Languages, Literatures, and Cultures
Phillipa Gill, College of Information and Computer Sciences
Rebecca Hamlin, Political Science
Michelle K. Hosp, Student Development
Alexandra Jesse, Psychological and Brain Sciences
Peter Adrian Jordaan, Environmental Conservation
Jason M. Kamilar, Anthropology
Kevin Kittilstved, Chemistry

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Kenneth Kleinman, Biostatistics and Epidemiology
Erinn Knyt, Music and Dance
Karen Kurczynski, History of Art and Architecture
Rebecca Lorimer Leonard, English
Zhenhua Liu, Nutrition
Andrea Malaguti, Languages, Literatures, and Cultures
Benjamin Marlin, College of Information and Computer Sciences
Jennifer Martin McDermott, Psychological and Brain Sciences
Jason Moralee, History
Timothy Pachirat, Political Science
Zehra Fareen Parvez, Sociology
Jonathan Richard Pilsner, Environmental Health Sciences
Krishna C. Poudel, Health Promotion and Policy
Jing Qian, Biostatistics & Epidemiology
Samuel Redman, History
Britt Rusert, Afro-American Studies
Ofer Sharone, Sociology
Regine Spector, Political Science
Priyanka Srivastava, History
Eric Strieter, Chemistry
Laura N. Vandenberg, Environmental Health Sciences
Dong Wang, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Seon Yeong Yu, Teacher Education and Curriculum Studies

BOSTON

Kathrin Boerner, Gerontology
Maria Brincker, Philosophy
Edward Carberry, Management
Matthew Davis, Liberal Arts
Adolfo del Campo, Science and Mathematics
Philimon Gona, Exercise and Health Sciences
Jason Green, Chemistry
Holly Jackson, English
Benjamin Johnson, History
Sun Kim, Nursing
Charlampos Konstantinidis, Economics
Ana Lindsay, Exercise and Health Science
Aroon Manoharan, Public Policy and Public Affairs
Francine Menashy, Leadership in Education
Courtenay Sprague, Conflict Resolution, Human Security and Global Governance
Chi Wan, Accounting and Finance
Olivia Weisser, History
Wan-ting Wu, Accounting and Finance
Gamze Yilmaz, Communication
Kourosh Zarringhalam, Mathematics

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LOWELL

Alex Angulo, Curriculum and Instruction
Stephanie Block, Psychology
Timothy Cook, Physics and Applied Physics
Urmitapa Dutta, Psychology
Xiaoxia Newton, Curriculum and Instruction
Arie Perliger, School of Criminology and Justice Studies
Rocio Rosales, Psychology
Maureen Stanton, English
Juan Trelles, Mechanical Engineering

Advancement Committee

Trustee Burns reported that the Advancement Committee met on May 30, 2018 and approved the minutes of the November 15, 2017 meeting. The Committee then heard reports from President Meehan, Vice President Pagnam, and Chair Burns. The campuses also reported on fundraising through the third quarter. JC Schnabl, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Alumni Relations & Executive Director and Greg Blackburn, Alumni Research and Information Manager from UMass Amherst's Alumni Association, presented on the Alumni Engagement Scoring Model Initiative. Kate Wilkinson from the UMass Foundation presented on the recent history and future direction of system-wide alumni events.

The Committee acknowledged the hard work and commitment of the Student Trustees who served on the Committee: Camila Yu, Gray Milkowski, and Samantha Reid. The Committee also acknowledged Jennifer Chrisler, the new Vice Chancellor for University Advancement at UMass Dartmouth, and Mike Leto, the Vice Chancellor for advancement at UMass Amherst who is retiring; he will be succeeded by Mark Fuller.

Trustee Burns announced the importance and value of 100% Board participation in philanthropic giving to the campuses.

Audit Committee

Trustee Furman reported that the Audit Committee met on June 19, 2018 and approved the minutes of the April 4, 2018 meeting. The Committee then heard reports from Kyle David the Director of Internal Audit; Interim Executive Director of Environmental Health and Safety Jeff Hescock updated the Committee on the ERM program; Chief Information Officer John Letchford and Chief Information Security Officer Brad Smith discussed enterprise-wide information technology risks, including cybersecurity and disaster recovery. Grant Thornton's Partner Claire Esten and Senior Managers Jim Cataldo and Hassan Khan reviewed the firm's Fiscal Year 2018 Audit Planning Presentation and required communications, including their risk assessment process, areas of focus, and technical updates.

Chairman Manning then asked for a motion to approve the **FY2019 Internal Audit Plan, Doc. T18-035**. It was moved and seconded.

VOTED: To approve the FY2019 Internal Audit Plan.

Other Business:

Appointment of Interim Chancellor, UMass Boston, Doc. T18-041

Chairman Manning asked for a motion to approve the Appointment of Interim Chancellor, UMass Boston. It was moved and seconded.

President Meehan thanked Senior Vice President Newman for accepting the appointment of Interim Chancellor of UMass Boston and noted that she is well prepared to take the baton from Chancellor Mills. He thanked Chancellor Mills for his incredible commitment to UMass Boston over the last year and stated that UMass Boston is on a better course because of his leadership.

Chancellor Mills thanked Chairman Manning and President Meehan for their support which has been vital to the progress made at UMass Boston. He commended the Chancellors and encouraged the Board to support them. He asked that they keep UMass Boston affordable, which is the fundamental issue to the campus. He also commented on the great place that UMass Boston is. He stated that Katherine Newman will be a great leader.

VOTED: Upon the recommendation of the President, to appoint Katherine S. Newman as Interim Chancellor of the University of Massachusetts Boston, to serve at the pleasure of the President.

Revisions to the Use of Property Policy, UMass Amherst, T90-079, as amended

Chairman Manning asked for a motion to approve the Revisions to the Use of Property Policy, UMass Amherst. It was moved and seconded.

General Counsel Leone commented on the lawsuit filed by UMass Amherst student Nicholas Consolini and the Young Americans for Liberty organization on January 8, 2018 against the University, Trustees and a number of Amherst campus administrators challenging a portion of the Regulations for Use of Property at UMass Amherst. The lawsuit claimed that paragraph III.A.9.b of the policy violated their First and Fourteenth Amendment rights, creating a restrictive speech zone. In order to settle the lawsuit, the campus agreed to continue to refrain from enforcing the provision, to instruct its staff not to enforce it, and to submit an amendment of the Regulations to the Board of Trustees at the next available meeting to delete the language at issue. The parties have agreed to stay the litigation pending the outcome of the proposal.

VOTED: To amend the Regulations for Use of Property at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, Doc. T90-079, by deleting Paragraph III.A.9.b.

Approval of Tuition and Mandatory Fees for Academic Year 2018-2019, UMass Medical School, Doc. T18-042

Chairman Manning asked for a motion to approve the Tuition and Mandatory Fees for Academic Year 2018-2019, UMass Medical School. It was moved and seconded.

Chancellor Collins commented that the Medical School cannot bill third and fourth year students who began their academic year in May until tuition and fees rates are approved, resulting in students taking classes for which they do not know the tuition rate and have not yet paid for.

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Financial aid awards also cannot be finalized which third and fourth year medical students rely on to cover the cost of living expenses.

VOTED: In accordance with Section 1A of Chapter 75 of the General Laws, to establish and approve the following Tuition and Mandatory Fee rates for the Medical School's graduate-only programs for academic year 2018-2019:

<u>Tuition & Mandatory Fees</u>	<u>FY19</u>
Medical School - (in-state)	\$37,776
Medical School (out-of-state)	\$63,326
Graduate School of Nursing (in-state)	\$15,226
Graduate School of Nursing (NE regional)	\$18,556
Graduate School of Nursing (out-of-state)	\$20,316
GSN Graduate Entry Program (in-state)	\$44,576
GSN Graduate Entry Program (NE regional)	\$50,756
GSN Graduate Entry Program (out-of-state)	\$56,936
Grad. School of Biomedical Science (in-state)	\$15,331
Grad. School of Biomedical Science(out-of-state)	\$32,431

And further, To authorize the President to approve individual fee rates for other fees and fee/revenue based operations charges for the Medical School.

Naming of the Martin Jacobson Football Performance Center, UMass Amherst, Doc. T18-036

Chairman Manning asked for a motion to approve the Naming of the Martin Jacobson Football Performance Center, UMass Amherst. It was moved and seconded.

Chancellor Subbaswamy commented on the request to honor Mr. Jacobson, a supporter and alum, for his \$5.5 million donation towards improvements to the performance center.

VOTED: To name the Football Performance Center at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, the Martin Jacobson Football Performance Center, and to accept with sincere gratitude the generous gift of Martin Jacobson (class of 1968).

Executive Session Announcement

Chairman Manning then asked for a vote to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 75, Section 4, for the purpose of considering Honorary Degrees, UMass Amherst. Chairman Manning stated that the meeting would not reconvene in open session.

It was moved and seconded, and the Secretary called the roll with each Trustee asked to vote yes or no to enter into Executive Session for the purpose listed. Chairman Manning voted for the motion as did Vice Chair Peters; and Trustees Buonomo, Burns, Dunlea, Epstein, Fubini, Furman, Karam, O'Brien, Peyser, Scheibel, Thomas, Tolman and Wu.

The time was 10:05 a.m.

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Zunilka Barrett
Secretary to the Board of Trustees