WESTERN CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WESTERN CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
May 10, 2024
ZOOM MEETING/Chancellor's Boardroom, H.F. Robinson Building, Room 501A

The Board of Trustees of Western Carolina University (Board) met on May 10 2024, in Room 501A of the H.F.R. Administration Building. Chair Greeley called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Attendance
The following members of the Board were present: Chair Kathy Greeley, Ms. Haden Boliek, Ms. Becky Brown, Mr. Casey Cooper, Mr. Joe Crocker, Mr. Dan Field, Mr. Tim Haskett, Mr. Ken Hughes, Mr. Bob Roberts, Mr. Jake Robinson, and Mr. Hoyle-Rivera.

The following members of the Board were absent: Ms. Kathy Harrington.

Present – Faculty and staff of Western Carolina University: Chancellor Kelli R. Brown, Dr. Richard Starnes, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; Mr. Mike Byers, Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance; Ms. Jamie Raynor, Vice Chancellor for Advancement; Mr. Shea Browning, General Counsel; Dr. Melissa Wargo, Chief of Staff; Mr. Alex Gary, Director of Athletics; and Ms. Jessica Woods, Assistant to the Chancellor/Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees to take minutes.

Roll Call
Ms. Woods called the roll of the Board members in attendance. A quorum of the board was present.

Ethics Statement
Chair Greeley read the Ethics Statement as follows:
"As Chair of the Board of Trustees, it is my responsibility to remind all members of the Board of their duty under the State Government Ethics Act to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts of interest as required by this Act. Each member has received the agenda and related information for this Board of Trustees' meeting. If any Board member knows of any conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matter coming before the Board of Trustees at this meeting, the conflict or appearance of conflict should be identified at this time." **No conflicts of interest were disclosed.**

Chair Greeley reminded everyone that the meeting is a public meeting and is being recorded, via the Zoom platform, and is being livestreamed, and members of the media may be present.

Advance Planning for Engineering Building
Chair Greeley asked Mr. Byers to discuss the increase in authorization for advance planning for the Engineering Building. Discussion followed. Chair Greeley asked for a motion to approve the increase in authorization for advance planning for the Engineering Building as discussed. Mr. Hughes made a motion to approve the increase in authorization for advance planning for the

Engineering Building. The increase in authorization for advance planning for the Engineering Building was seconded by Mr. Crocker. The motion was unanimously approved by the board.

Distinguished Professorship Changes
Chair Greeley asked Dr. Starnes to discuss the Distinguished Professorship Changes. Discussion followed. Chair Greeley asked for a motion to approve the Distinguished Professorship Changes as discussed. Ms. Brown made a motion to approve the Distinguished Professorship Changes. The Distinguished Professorship Changes was seconded by Mr. Haskett. The motion was unanimously approved by the board.

Closed Session
Chair Greeley asked for a motion to go into closed session. Ms. Brown made a motion to go into closed session to prevent the disclosure of privileged or confidential information, or information not considered a public record pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(6) as described on the May 10, 2024, Board of Trustees of Western Carolina University Closed Session Agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cooper. The motion was unanimously approved by the board.

Chair Greeley asked Chancellor Brown, Mr. Browning, Mr. Gary, and Dr. Wargo to remain for Closed Session. Discussion followed on the Closed Session Agenda Item.

Resumption of Open Session
Chair Greeley asked for a motion to return to Open Session. Ms. Brown made the motion to return to Open Session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hughes. The board unanimously approved to return to Open Session.

Adjournment
Chair Greeley adjourned the meeting at 5:40 pm.