

**Lincoln University Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
Saturday, November 16, 2019**

MINUTES

The Lincoln University Board of Trustees held a Regular Meeting on Saturday, November 16, 2019 in the International Cultural Center Board Room on the main campus. Chairlady Theresa R. Braswell called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM Eastern. Trustee Matt A. Cauthen led the group in prayer. Board Secretary, Rev. Dr. Frances E. Paul called roll.

Trustees present: Chairlady Theresa R. Braswell; Brenda A. Allen, President; Mr. Robert A. Allen; Robert L. Archie, Esq; Ms. Elisabeth Bellevue; Mr. Gerald Bruce; Mr. Mack A. Cauthen; Mr. Dimitrius M. Hutcherson; Mr. Henry Lancaster; Honorable Harry Lewis; Ms. Kimberly A. Lloyd (Dial-in); Mr. Noe Ortega (Dial-in); Rev. Dr. Frances E. Paul; Mr. Kenneth A. Poole; Ms. Sandra F. Simmons; Dr. Deborah C. Thomas; Mr. Kevin E. Vaughan; Joseph V. Williams, Jr.; and Faculty Representative, Dr. Emmanuel Babatunde. ***A quorum was satisfied.***

Trustees excused: Mr. James W. Jordan

Trustees absent: Ms. Stephanie Mays Boyd

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The Board of Trustees approved the draft meeting minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held September 21, 2019.

PRESENTATIONS

SB & Company presented the Audit and Draft Financial Statements to the Board. In addition, a concept for the development of a new residence hall on the main campus of Lincoln University was presented to the Board by Mount Hope Housing Company, Inc.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

Chairlady Braswell read aloud the Conflict of Interest statement from the Bylaws of the Lincoln University Board of Trustees.

CHAIRLADY'S REPORT

Chairlady Braswell provided that the Toni Morrison Society presented Lincoln University with the 26th bench placement from the Bench by the Road Project on Thursday, November 14th. Also, in collaboration with a project led by Square Roots Collective, Kennett Square, PA, the University engaged the local community for a special advance screening of the movie, Harriet. On Friday, November 15th, Trustees attended a master planning meeting led by Sasaki and received fundraising training by Dr. Mellissia Zanjani, Lincoln University's Vice President for Institutional Advancement. In addition, Chairlady Braswell referenced a booklet provided to Trustees at the

meeting developed by the Association of Governing Boards (AGB), *Top 10 Campus Legal Issues for Boards*, and asked Trustee Archie to lead a project for Lincoln regarding the topics addressed in the document. Details regarding the project will be discussed at a date and time to be determined.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Allen presented the Quarterly Report to the Board and provided a historical view of revenue sources and expenses including information related to tuition/fees/ board; state appropriations; grants/ contracts/ gifts/other and personnel and non-personnel expenses including scholarships. Dr. Allen presented comparisons of revenue and expenses for FY15 vs. FY19 and the strategic allocation of the 2019-2020 tuition and fee increase. President Allen presented information related to her participation in several notable engagements from September through November 2019. In September 2019, the President attended Senator Casey's Higher Education Roundtable in Washington, DC and the annual meeting of the CIAA held in Baltimore, MD. Dr. Allen met with the Department of the Navy regarding a potential partnership; and, HBCU Game Day interviewed President Allen, in October. In November, the President participated in Senator Hughes – State of the Democratic Party in Philadelphia, the 7th Annual Thurgood Marshall Scholarship & Awards Gala hosted by the Baltimore-Metro Chapter of the Lincoln University Alumni Association in Baltimore, MD; Harvard University Presidents Leadership Seminar in Boston, MA; and the African American Cultural Heritage Discussion at Lincoln University.

The Board accepted the President's Report as information.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Charles Gradowski, Vice President for Finance and Administration, presented the Finance Report through September 30, 2019 to the Board.

The Board accepted the Financial Report as information.

STANDING COMMITTEES

AUDIT

Trustee Kimberly Lloyd, Chair of the Audit Committee reviewed the minutes from the November 6, 2019 meeting and presented the following resolution to the Board.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2019 AND 2018

RES622_111619

RESOLVED, That the Lincoln University Board of Trustees accepts the Audits of Financial Statements and Federal Award programs (with Independent Auditor's Reports) for the year ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 presented and reviewed by SB and COMPANY, LLC and the University's Administration at a meeting of the Audit Committee on November 6, 2019. The June 30, 2019 financial statements include an unmodified opinion by SB and COMPANY, LLC.

A motion was made and properly seconded to adopt the resolution.

The motion passed unanimously.

TRUSTEES, DEGREES, AND NOMINATIONS

Trustee Sandra Simmons, Chair of the Committee on Trustees, Degrees, and Nominations reviewed the meeting minutes from the October 29, 2019 meeting and presented the following resolutions to the Board.

APPOINTMENT OF FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES – DR. EMMANUEL BABATUNDE

RES623_092119

WHEREAS, By resolution dated November 20, 1999 (RES041_112099), the Lincoln University Board of Trustees established that subject to the provisions of the Resolution, a member of the faculty, to be selected by the faculty and subject to Board approval, may participate as faculty representative in meetings of the Board of Trustees and Committees of the Board in a non-voting capacity. The faculty representative may not participate in executive sessions of the Board of Trustees or of its committees; and

WHEREAS, By resolution dated November 17, 2001 (RES098_111701) the Lincoln University Board of Trustees established a two-year term for the faculty representative to the Board of Trustees, with all other provisos of RES041_112099 remaining intact and in effect; and

WHEREAS, The faculty has selected Dr. Emmanuel Babatunde to serve as faculty representative to the Board of Trustees; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Lincoln University Board of Trustees hereby approves the faculty selection of Dr. Emmanuel Babatunde for 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 academic years expiring on June 30, 2021.

A motion was made and properly seconded to adopt the resolution.

The motion passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF ALUMNI TRUSTEE JUDITH FITZGERALD '85, J.D.

RES624_092119

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 2, of the Lincoln University By-Laws (Revised November 20, 1999) stipulates that upon the expiration of the term of any Alumni Trustees, the Board shall elect an Alumni Trustee for a term of four years from nominations submitted by the Alumni Association; and

WHEREAS, The Alumni Association has nominated Judith Fitzgerald '85, J.D. to serve as an Alumni Trustee for a four-year term to expire June 30, 2023, and

WHEREAS, The Alumni Association has duly notified the Board of Trustees of said nomination; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees hereby approves the nomination of the Alumni Association for the appointment of Judith Fitzgerald '85, J.D. as Alumni Trustee to serve in accordance with Article II, Section 2 (C) of the University By-Laws.

A motion was made and properly seconded to adopt the resolution.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairs for the remaining committees of the Board provided reports at the Board meeting: Ad Hoc Committee – What is Lincoln Known For, Buildings and Property, Business Affairs, Educational Policy and Academic Affairs, Investment, Planning and Development/External Affairs, and Student Affairs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Honorary Degree Nominations will be presented for a vote at the next meeting of the faculty. The University has one nominee to the Board of the Barnes Foundation outstanding; however; Mr. Daniel Dilella remains seated as Lincoln’s nominee until a new nominee is approved by the Lincoln University Board of Trustees.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairlady Braswell convened an executive session at 11:17 AM and reconvened the public session at 12:39 PM, after three consecutive 30-minute sessions.

Upon reconvening the public session, Chairlady Braswell reported that the Board will move forward on the collective bargaining agreements upon receipt from the University of the requested information.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairlady Braswell adjourned the meeting at 12:40 PM.