

SPECIAL TELEPHONE MEETING OF THE WESTERN CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

January 24, 2017
3:00 p.m.

Present: Chair Broadwell, Chancellor Belcher, Mrs. Kaemmerling, Mr. Townsend and Mr. Drake

Also present: Ms. Lochner, General Counsel; Dr. Wargo, Chief of Staff; Mrs. Collins, Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Broadwell called the meeting to order at 3:14 pm.

ROLL CALL

Mrs. Collins called the roll and a quorum was present.

ETHICS STATEMENT

Chair Broadwell read the ethics statement:

“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 were disclosed.

CLOSED SESSION

Mrs. Kaemmerling made a motion to go into closed session to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial appointment, of a public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee. Mr. Drake seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Mr. Drake made a motion to return to open session. Mrs. Kaemmerling seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously

OPEN SESSION

Mr. Townsend made a motion and recommendation to approve the candidate for General Counsel that was discussed in closed session. Mrs. Kaemmerling seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

There was a discussion about when the public announcement would be made. Dr. Wargo stated that an email will be sent to campus in the morning and the Reporter will release an article that afternoon. A media release will go out also.

Mr. Broadwell acknowledged and thanked Ms. Lochner for her work and contributions to the university.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Kaemmerling made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Townsend seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 3:33 pm.