Public Session Minutes

The meeting of the Morgan State University Board of Regents was called to order by Chairman Kweisi Mfume at 12:03 p.m.

Present: Hon. Kweisi Mfume, Chairman, Regent; General (Ret.) Larry Ellis, Vice Chair, Regent; Hon. Tracey Parker-Warren, Secretary, Regent; Dr. Linda Gilliam, Regent; Dr. Shirley Malcom, Regent; Mr. Wayne Resnick, Regent; Ms. Shelonda Stokes, Regent; Mr. Jeffon Stubbs, Student Regent; Mrs. Penelope Taylor, Regent; Dr. Marquis Walker, Regent; Mr. Winston Wilkinson, Regent; Dr. David Wilson, University President; Mr. Thomas Faulk, Principal Counsel for Morgan State University, Office of the Attorney General

Absent: Rev. Dr. Harold Carter Jr., Regent; Hon. Elijah Cummings, Regent; Rev. Dr. Frances Draper, Regent

The Chairman offered an overview of the agenda and stated that following the Public Session, the Board would convene in Closed Session to address the matters identified as such on the agenda.

Chairman’s Remarks
The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming the Regents and members of the public in attendance. He stated that since the last formal meeting, there has been a number of activities that have taken place on and off campus including the weekly orientation program for incoming freshman students. Tragically, as all of you know, we lost another student during that period due to senseless violence in the streets – Manuel “Manny” Luis, Jr. He was a very bright, energetic and engaging student, who was liked and admired by his peers, and was tragically gunned down near our campus. On behalf of the Board, Chairman Mfume thanked Dr. Wilson, Dr. Banks and members of the University family who attended those funeral services and embraced Manny's family.

Chairman Mfume called the Board’s attention to the 2019-2020 academic schedule of Board and campus events. He encouraged members of the Board to try to attend as many of these activities as possible over the next 12 months. He mentioned one event in particular, the annual Morgan Gala on October 11th, and urged those interested in attending to purchase tickets by August 15th. Additionally, as a point of information, he stated that the Talbot County branch of the NAACP would like to make the Board aware that our vice chair, General Ellis, will be their keynote speaker at the Freedom Fund Banquet in October. Chairman Mfume also reminded Regents that the Board Retreat has been scheduled for Saturday, September 28th.

Chairman Mfume introduced and welcomed the newest member of the Board, Jeffon Stubbs. Dr. Wilson also welcomed Mr. Stubbs to the Board of Regents as our new Student Regent, adding that he is a very impressive student. Chairman Mfume noted that Mr. Stubbs was an outstanding high school student who was destined for leadership. He added that as the Student Regent, he hopes he will take his role to heart, that he will try to learn and help other members of the Board understand the issues facing students today, and that he finds the role both a challenging and rewarding experience.
Chairman Mfume stated that Mr. Stubbs will not be participating in any recorded votes or the closed session portion of the Board meeting, as we are still awaiting his official appointment letter from the Office of the Governor.

Approval of Minutes
The Chairman called for a motion to jointly adopt the minutes from the May 7, 2019 Board meeting and the minutes of the special meeting of the Board from July 9, 2019. It was MOVED by Regent Malcom and SECONDED by Regent Stokes to approve the minutes of May 7, 2019 and July 9, 2019. The MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Board Appointment for the 2019-2020 Academic Year
Chairman Mfume made the following appointments:

Standing Committees
- **Executive Committee**: Regent Kweisi Mfume, Chairman; Regent Larry Ellis, Vice Chair; Regent Tracey Parker-Warren, Secretary; Regent Linda Gilliam, Chair of Academic and Student Affairs (ASA) Committee; Regent Shirley Malcom, Chair of Finance and Facilities Committee (FFC)
- **Academic and Student Affairs (ASA) Committee**: Regent Linda Gilliam, Chair; Regent Penelope Taylor, Vice Chair; Regent Elijah Cummings; Regent Larry Ellis; Regent Marquis Walker; Regent Jeffon Stubbs, Student
- **Audit and Institutional Assessment (AIA) Committee**: Regent Larry Ellis, Chair; Regent Tracey Parker-Warren, Vice Chair; Regent Elijah Cummings; Regent Shirley Malcom; Regent Wayne Resnick
- **Finance and Facilities Committee (FFC)**: Regent Shirley Malcom, Chair; Regent Shelonda Stokes, Vice Chair; Regent Harold Carter; Regent Wayne Resnick; Regent Winston Wilkinson

Special Committees
- **Nominating Committee**: Regent Winston Wilkinson, Chair; Regent Harold Carter; Regent Penelope Taylor; Regent Jeffon Stubbs, Student
- **Evaluation Committee**: Regent Marquis Walker, Chair; Regent Linda Gilliam; Regent Tracey Parker-Warren; Regent Wayne Resnick; Regent Penelope Taylor
- **Innovation and Research Committee (IRC)**: Regent Shelonda Stokes, Chair; Regent Larry Ellis; Regent Shirley Malcom; Regent Marquis Walker; Regent Winston Wilkinson

The special representative of the Board of Regents appointed to the Morgan State University Foundation Board is Regent Marquis Walker.

Chairman Mfume thanked members of the Board for their time, input and the work done on each of the respective committees. We would not be able to carry out all of the work that is mandated involving authority, oversight and governance. He added that the level of commitment required is not to be lost on the Chair, the President or the institution.

Report of the President
The President began by officially welcoming our new Student Regent, Jeffon Stubbs. He also welcomed Dr. Lesia Crumpton-Young in her first meeting as our Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs.
Dr. Wilson stated that immediately following the May Commencement ceremony, he and Regent Tracey Parker-Warren accompanied the Morgan State University Choir on a three-country tour of Europe. They toured Scotland, Wales and England. The choir performed to several hundred individuals at Windsor Castle, summer home of the Queen, and in St. Paul’s Cathedral, which was the wedding site of Prince Harry and the Duchess of Sussex. They truly represented Morgan very well. Dr. Wilson offered his continued appreciation to Dr. Eric Conway and the choir for being great ambassadors, not only for Morgan, not only for the state of Maryland, but for the United States and around the world.

The President stated that he has been reporting to the Board on an ongoing basis regarding the challenges experienced by the University starting in the fall of 2018 through most of the academic year, following the unprecedented extremely hot weather we experienced in the summer of 2018 followed by almost equally unprecedented rainfall in the fall. As a result, many of our historic buildings on the campus succumbed to those conditions, and the result was leaking roofs and mechanical failures. He is pleased to report that roofs have been installed on Baldwin, Harper Tubman and Cummings, and repairs have taken place in Blount and Rawlings. In addition, we have installed a new cooling tower for the Dixon Research Center, and are engaged in work to waterproof Holmes Hall. Also, we have expended more than $650,000 to replace aging HVAC units in Blount and Rawlings. Dr. Wilson thanked Sidney Evans, Kim McCalla, Prem Kokilepersaud, Kevin Banks, and the Office of Residence Life who understood the urgency of this matter and have made it one of our top priorities for the institution. He added that we have also employed a cleaning company to do a thorough cleaning of all of our residential facilities, and any detection of mold or mildew will be eradicated.

The President stated that Access Orientation has been taking place this summer. Three programs were held to date. All three have had in excess of 300 students. He noted that Dr. Turner is projecting our incoming freshman class to be well over 1,200 students this year.

The President stated that the campus community was very grieved by the unfortunate loss of one of our students, Manuel Luis. He was also a peer mentor in the Access Orientation program, and his death took a great toll not only on the peer mentors but on all of us in the Morgan State University family. Dr. Wilson added that he attended the funeral services along with several colleagues, students and other friends of Manuel. He noted that his brother is still enrolled here. He is a returning senior and an outstanding member of our marching band. We will continue to keep Manuel and his family in our thoughts and prayers.

Dr. Wilson stated that during one of his extensive walks around campus, he challenged himself to see the campus and the surrounding neighborhoods through the eyes of a student and that of a parent as it relates to safety and housing. Here are several observations:

- We must build 800-1,000 new beds ON CAMPUS ASAP. We have no choice. He is pleased that the Finance and Facilities Committee approved the proposed agreement with MEDCO earlier today to do just that. These facilities, the first round, will be ready for occupancy by fall of 2022. They will be built on the site of the Thurgood Marshall Complex. We will not close the Thurgood Marshall Complex while these new facilities are being built. MEDCO has worked out an arrangement where they will build 700-1,000 beds on additional space around the complex, and then they will raze it after they have completed the new facility, recapturing the green space that we would have lost during the construction period.

- We are also looking to work more closely with the Baltimore City Police. We have scheduled a meeting with the Police Commissioner and a representative from the Mayor’s Office to look at how these two police forces can expand the agreement that we have right now, and look at ways in which we can have our own police force perhaps do some patrolling of some of the streets that are adjacent to the university. We legally now cannot do that. We will work with
our legal team working with the Legislature, when it opens in the fall, to get them to rethink that statute to allow us a little bit more flexibility.

- We are instituting shuttle services for all of our students who are living off campus in university-leased housing. We are looking to do that at four locations: Marble Hall, Wellington, Kensington and the Varsity. We will try to increase the frequency of those shuttles throughout the day, reducing the wait time from 30 minutes to 15 minutes by eliminating some of the stops along the way.

- We are going to call upon the state to provide dollars to enable us to increase our police force from 42 sworn officers. We will ask the state for support to increase our police force by another 20 officers to bring us to at least 62-65.

- We need to ensure that ALL of our cameras are working and that they are monitored 24/7, and we need to plaster this warning everywhere on campus.

- We need to address any additional “dark spots” on campus if we have not currently addressed them.

- There must be some urgency on our part to create/design a safe walking path for the current students who reside in Morgan View to enable them to get back and forth to the campus along Arlington Avenue. We will increase lighting along the pathway and have a security guard posted there 24/7.

The President stated that upon the recommendation of student leaders, he crafted a very short video message to the entire University community on security measures at Morgan. It has been well received, and he plans to send out another message within the next two weeks detailing all of the additional enhancements we are putting in place as the fall semester gets underway. The video was displayed for viewing by all in attendance.

Dr. Wilson acknowledged the great annual fundraising year we had in 2018-2019. The University raised $13.7 million. This amount significantly exceeds what we had been able to raise in the past. He thanked Donna Howard and the team in Institutional Advancement and Alumni Relations for their leadership in leading us to an historic year in annual giving.

The President stated that Morgan alum Greg Jones and his wife, Lauren, will be hosting “Morgan on the Vineyard.” The event is scheduled for August 15-17. This will be the second straight year in which Greg and Lauren have hosted a fundraising reception for Morgan. We anticipate 65-70 individuals to be in attendance, and he will report back to the Board on the amount of money generated from the event.

Dr. Wilson stated that the annual alumni awards and class reunion luncheon was a sold-out event. There were 109 members from the 50th anniversary Class of 1969 who participated in our commencement exercises. This was by far our largest alumni group ever to participate. During the alumni awards and class reunion luncheon held on May 19th, 15 classes contributed a total of $1.97 million to the University, with $1.4 million coming from the Class of 1969. He noted that former Regent Frances Draper was a member of that class, and thanked all alumni for recognizing the value of investing in their alma mater.

The President stated that our Spring Commencement was a huge success. We were honored to have the Honorable Congressman and member of the Board of Regents, Elijah Cummings, as our commencement speaker. His commencement address was selected by C-Span as one of several commencement speeches across the nation to be featured on that network. We also experimented this year with covering the field for our faculty, graduates and the 50th anniversary class. The
feedback we received was extremely positive as it sheltered the graduates, faculty and the returning 50th anniversary class from the elements of the weather. We will continue to perfect this covering going forward as it is our desire to keep it in place until we can determine a more appropriate indoor venue to have our ceremony.

Dr. Wilson stated that over the last two years, the University has been exploring the potential for an affiliation with a private entity to build a College of Osteopathic Medicine at the University. We have done our due diligence in this effort by visiting New Mexico State University and connecting back with all of the entities in the state of Maryland.

The President stated that the RFP for food service on the campus is in its final stage of preparation and review. We expect to have it in the hands of our legal team within the next 24 to 48 hours. We will then be in a position to have that come back to the Board for approval at the November meeting.

The President stated that move-in day is approaching for fall 2019. It is Saturday, August 10th at 9 a.m. He invited members of the Board of Regents to assist him to move what has increasingly become scores and scores of stuff into our residential facilities.

Dr. Wilson stated that classes officially begin at Morgan on Monday, August 19th. As has been our tradition for the last four years, he along with the Provost and all the Vice Presidents will be on the quad at 8 o’clock in the morning serving a healthy breakfast to our returning students. He extended an invitation to Board members to join him in handing out juice, water, fruit and healthy muffins.

Dr. Wilson stated that for the fifth straight year, on July 24th, he was invited back to Harvard University to give a presentation to over 100 aspiring college and university presidents in the nation. His presentation has received the highest marks in previous years, and he is honored that Harvard keeps inviting him back. He noted that Morgan State University is seen in very high regard by Harvard’s Graduate School of Education. The Dean, Dr. Bridget Terry Long’s mother is an alum of Morgan.

The President stated that he recently went to Accra, Ghana, as part of the HBCU Africa Homecoming Initiative along with Dr. Astatke. He was selected to receive the highest leadership award given to an HBCU President in America. In a special ceremony, the Chief of the Ashanti bestowed upon him the top honor in the HBCU Global Impact Awards by giving him the Transcendent Order of the African Eagle Award in recognition of global leadership and impact. The Chief of the Ashanti also gave him an official African middle name – Kwabena, which means male child born on Tuesday. Additionally, the visit also served as an opportunity for him to meet with Sir Sam Jonah, Ghanian billionaire and also the President/Chair of the Governing Counsel of the African College of Community (AUCC). The purpose of the meeting was to discuss Morgan bringing some unique, high quality and high demand academic degree programs to West Africa and to Ghana in particular. We have agreed to take a look at importing, in collaborative form, three of our academic degree programs to that location perhaps starting in 2021. We also agreed to put together a business plan as to why it would make sense for Morgan to have a physical presence in Ghana on a 75-acre site overlooking the ocean that is owned by Sir Jonah. Dr. Wilson indicated that he informed Sir Jonah that as a public institution receiving support from the State of Maryland, we cannot use any of that support to underwrite an international venture. Therefore, the capital necessary to make a physical site possible would have to come from the private sector and/or the government in Ghana. He concluded that the door is open for us to move forward and become the first HBCU with some kind of serious presence on the continent of Africa.

Regent Parker-Warren made a motion to strike a portion of the discussion related to the Potential College of Osteopathic Medicine, specifically the last sentence of the second paragraph with regard to what might be discussed in closed session. It was SECONDED by Regent Taylor. The MOTION CARRIED unanimously. Chairman Mfume noted that the language will be stricken from the official minutes of the meeting accordingly.
The Chairman called for a motion to approve the President’s Report. It was MOVED by Regent Wilkinson and SECONDED by Regent Parker-Warren. The President’s Report was APPROVED unanimously.

Chairman Mfume took a moment, in consideration of all the rain, water and damage to historic buildings here on campus, to thank all of the staff that participated in trying to find a way to stem the hemorrhage and to help us get back to where we are today, both in terms of mold eradication and everything else. In that regard, he particularly thanked Kim McCalla for her work as well as the work of the people who work with her.

The Chairman also encouraged members of the Board to attend the last Access Student Orientation session on August 11th from 4 – 6 p.m. in the Murphy Fine Arts Center. He noted that it is a chance to touch students when they come in the door, to hear them and to meet a lot of family members who really want concerns addressed that their kids are going to be safe, that they will be taught the right thing and that people are going to look after them.

Chairman Mfume noted that Regent Malcom is now joining us by phone. She regrettably had to leave the meeting early but fortunately wanted to continue to participate. He thanked her for joining us. The Chairman also acknowledged and formally welcomed, as our official Vice Chair in his first meeting as such, Regent Larry Ellis. He thanked General Ellis for stepping up and contributing the way he has done for so many years with this Board.

**Report of the Executive Committee**

The Chairman provided an update from the August 1, 2019 Executive Committee meeting. He stated that the meeting was informational in nature and there were no action items adopted.

**Report of the Standing Committees**

**Academic and Student Affairs Committee**

Regent Gilliam stated that there are three items for action. The first are the committee minutes. She noted that there are two sets of minutes, as the Committee met telephonically on July 25, 2019 to discuss a policy that was reviewed in closed session. It was MOVED by Regent Taylor and SECONDED by Regent Stokes that the minutes be approved. THE MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Regent Gilliam stated that the second item is the Performance Accountability Report, and asked Dr. Alao to provide a brief overview. Regent Gilliam stated that the Academic and Student Affairs Committee recommends approval. It was MOVED by Regent Stokes and SECONDED by Regent Taylor that the Performance Accountability Report be approved. The MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Regent Gilliam stated that the last item is the Department Chair Policy, and asked Provost Young to provide a brief overview. Regent Gilliam stated that the Academic and Student Affairs Committee recommends approval. It was MOVED by Regent Stokes and SECONDED by Regent Taylor that the Department Chair Policy be approved. The MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Regent Gilliam asked for clarification with regard to recommendations brought forth by a standing committee to the full Board – is a motion for approval necessary? She noted that her understanding is that once a Committee Chairperson gives a recommendation, the next move is to get consent. Chairman Mfume stated that a motion for approval is necessary, if it is an action item. He added that it is based on precedent, policy and practice. If it has been our practice to operate one way over a particular amount of time, then that takes precedence over the position. It has been our practice that reports come forward, and they are put forth in the form of a motion for approval or disapproval by the full Board. However, to err on the side of caution, the Chairman tabled the question until additional information can be obtained.
Regent Gilliam stated that this concluded her report.

**Finance and Facilities Committee**
Chairman Mfume called for the report from the Finance and Facilities Committee. Regent Malcom stated that there were a number of information items. There were also some items for action. The Committee approved the minutes from the May 7, 2019 meeting. There was a wholesome discussion on the Gender and Sexual-Based Harassment and Violence Policy, much of the information will be reviewed in detail during closed session. She stated, however, that the Finance and Facilities Committee recommends approval of the policy.

On behalf of Committee Chair Malcom, Vice Chair Stokes stated that the next action item is the Adjustment to the Non-Exempt Salary Structure. Mr. Evans provided a brief explanation of the needed adjustment to the non-exempt salary structure to remain competitive with the University System of Maryland. It was MOVED by Regent Stokes and SECONDED by Regent Gilliam to approve the Adjustment to the Non-Exempt Salary Structure. The MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Regent Stokes stated that the next item is the Amended Definition of Confidential Employee for collective bargaining purposes. Last December, AFSCME filed a petition with the State Higher Education Labor Relations Board contesting the designation of approximately 30 non-exempt employees that Morgan had allegedly wrongfully classified as confidential. The matter proceeded to hearings in February 2019, and then adjourned on April 11, 2019. By Settlement Agreement, the parties agreed that 15 employees would remain confidential and that the President of the University would propose to the Board of Regents that it amend the definition of confidential employee to clarify that the designation applies only to employees currently serving in such capacity. It was MOVED by Regent Stokes and SECONDED by Regent Wilkinson to approve the Amended Definition of Confidential Employee for collective bargaining purposes. The MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Regent Stokes stated that the last item for action is the MEDCO Housing Agreement. She noted that a representative from MEDCO attended the Committee meeting. The University will move forward with plans to build a new student housing facility next to the Thurgood Marshall Complex next year when the spring semester concludes. MEDCO will design and build replacement housing on that site to accommodate 700-900 students, more than three times the number of students currently being housed at that location. The plan is to have these units ready for occupancy by fall 2022. This is considered Phase I of Student Housing.

MEDCO will also assist the University in planning Phase II of Student Housing. We will use their expertise to decide whether to pursue a P3 (public-private partnership) for Phase II, that would include both erecting additional student housing on campus, as well as helping us think through, in a rational way, how we should approach the modernization/renovation of existing housing. It was MOVED by Regent Stokes and SECONDED by Regent Resnick to approve the MEDCO Housing Agreement. The MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

Regent Stokes stated that this concluded her report.

**Audit and Institutional Assessment Committee**
The Chairman called for the report from the Audit and Institutional Assessment Committee. Vice Chair Ellis stated that the Committee had no action items and continues to review the progress of the Office of Legislative Audits (OLA) recommendations. He stated that, in an effort to better understand the OLA processes, the President has invited OLA to campus for a workshop with other institutions to discuss and address common themes and other issues experienced by institutions of higher education. Regent Ellis noted that the Committee has taken on the task of developing a charter for the Audit and Institutional Assessment Committee by the next Board meeting.

Regent Ellis stated that this concluded his report.
Chairman Mfume stated that the Board would discuss proposed amendments to its by-laws during closed session. He thanked Regent Taylor for her leadership in helping to move the Board forward, and noted that she led the task back in 2014 which was the last time the by-laws had been amended. He added that the Board will reconvene in public session to report the action taken on this matter.

**New Business**

President Wilson yielded the floor to Dr. Ed Scott for a brief update on NCAA matters. He added that no team at Morgan has any postseason ban for the first time in years. Dr. Scott stated that, six months after his arrival to campus, the University received the Accelerating Academic Success Grant (AASP) from the NCAA in the amount of $889,000 which is designed to be a bridge to build from where institutions are to where they are trying to go with the appropriate support systems. He added that 47 student-athletes have a 4.0 GPA; 53% of student-athletes have earned a semester GPA of 3.0 or higher; both the men’s and women’s tennis teams have the highest team GPA of 3.88 and 3.22, respectively; and the department’s GPA is 2.90 compared to 2.63 in 2016. The grant has enabled the department to build a bridge to move forward and will allow us to keep the positions and services that have been created moving forward. He noted that the department will be prepared to sustain these expenses once the grant ends. It was also reported that Morgan is now the national model for all limited resource institutions with regard to academics, accountability, APR, gender and culture.

Regent Ellis commented that Morgan is scheduled to play the Army at West Point on September 21st. It is a sporting event that occurs every two years. He encouraged others to attend to help push Morgan to a win. On the academic side, there will be a Diversity and Inclusion Leadership Conference held the day before the game.

Chairman Mfume commented that it would be great to get incoming freshmen who are athletes to be as serious as they are once they hit the third and fourth year. He introduced Hakeem Myers, a student he has begun mentoring, who transferred from A&T as a sophomore athlete. Mr. Myers is now a senior Finance major who works in the Foreign Exchange Department at Morgan Stanley. The Chairman noted that Mr. Myers might be a great ambassador for the Athletics Department to connect with incoming student-athletes to encourage them to take their academics seriously.

Dr. Wilson stated that the University has kept the athletic fee flat for eight straight years. He indicated that he had a preliminary discussion with Finance and Facilities Committee Chair Malcom and, in the next fiscal cycle, the administration plans to bring forth to the Board a recommendation for slight fee increase.

Chairman Mfume reminded members of the Board about the special reception in honor of retiring Regents Draper and Taborn. He stated that Regent Draper would be presented with a resolution in recognition of her 24 years of service to the MSU Board of Regents and read the resolution into the record.

The Chairman called for a motion to approve the Resolution so that it may be formally presented. It was MOVED by Regent Ellis and SECONDED by Regent Parker-Warren to approve the Resolution. The MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

The Chairman announced that the Board of Regents would now prepare to reconvene in Closed Session to consider items specifically exempted from public consideration under § 3-305(b)(1)(3)(4)(7)(8) of the Open Meetings Act. In Closed Session, the Board of Regents will consult with counsel to review the Board of Regents By-Laws Amendment, to receive an update from the Evaluation Committee, a Report on the Board-authorized Mediation, an EEO Report and Litigation Update, an update on a potential new School of Osteopathic Medicine, an update on the Northwood Project, and an update on the HBCU Coalition Case. The Board may reconvene in Public Session at the conclusion of the Closed Session, if necessary.
The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the PUBLIC SESSION to move into CLOSED SESSION. It was MOVED by Regent Gilliam and SECONDED by Regent Taylor to adjourn the PUBLIC SESSION. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The PUBLIC SESSION adjourned at 1:59 p.m.

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The Board of Regents reconvened in Public Session at 3:13 p.m. to adopt two matters that were brought before the Board. Those items are the Gender and Sexual-Based Harassment and Violence Policy and the amended Board of Regents By-Laws, which are technical and conforming in nature. Both matters were preliminarily approved during the closed session.

The Chairman called for a motion to jointly adopt the amended Board of Regents By-Laws and the Gender and Sexual-Based Harassment and Violence Policy. It was MOVED by Regent Taylor and SECONDED by Regent Walker to approve the amended By-Laws and the Gender and Sexual-Based Harassment and Violence Policy. The MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

The Chairman announced that the Board of Regents would now seek to reconvene in Closed Session to consider items specifically exempted from public consideration under § 3-305(b)(1)(3)(4)(7)(8) of the Open Meetings Act. In Closed Session, the Board of Regents will consult with counsel to receive an update from the Evaluation Committee, a Report on the Board-authorized Mediation, an EEO Report and Litigation Update, an update on a potential new School of Osteopathic Medicine, an update on the Northwood Project, and an update on the HBCU Coalition Case. The Board may reconvene in Public Session at the conclusion of the Closed Session, if necessary.

The Chairman called for a motion to return to CLOSED SESSION. It was MOVED by Regent Resnick and SECONDED by Regent Stokes to return to CLOSED SESSION. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The PUBLIC SESSION adjourned at 3:16 p.m.
MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
CITATION OF AUTHORITY FOR CLOSING A MEETING
UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT
BOARD OF REGENTS PUBLIC MEETING

Date: Tuesday, August 6, 2019        Time: 12:00 p.m.        Location: Boardroom 400
Earl S. Richardson Library
Morgan State University
1700 E. Cold Spring Lane
Baltimore, MD 21251

Motion to close meeting made by: Regent Gilliam

Seconded by: Regent Taylor

Members voting in favor: All Regents in attendance

Opposed:

Abstaining:

Absent: Regents Carter and Cummings

THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY TO CLOSE THIS MEETING CAN BE FOUND AT (check all that apply):


_ X_ (1) (i) To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; or (ii) any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals;

___ (2) To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business;

_ X_ (3) To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto;
(4) To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State; 

(5) To consider the investment of public funds; 

(6) To consider the marketing of public securities; 

(7) To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter; 

(8) To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation; 

(9) To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations; 

(10) To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security, including: (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans; 

(11) To prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination; 

(12) To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct; 

(13) To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter; 

(14) Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process. 

General Provisions Article, § 3-103 (a): 

(1) To carry out an administrative function; 

(2) To carry out a judicial function; 

(3) To carry out a quasi-judicial function.
FOR EACH CITATION CHECKED ABOVE, THE REASONS FOR CLOSING AND TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:

1. To review the Board of Regents By-Laws Amendment.
2. To receive an update from the Evaluation Committee.
3. To receive a litigation update and EEO Report.
4. To receive an update a potential new School of Medicine.
5. To receive an update on the Northwood Project.
6. To receive an update on the HBCU Coalition Case.

THE BOARD MAY RECONVENE IN PUBLIC SESSION AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE CLOSED SESSION IF NECESSARY TO TAKE ANY FINAL AND BINDING ACTION.

This statement is made by Kweisi Mfume
Chairman of the Board of Regents

SIGNATURE:

*********** FOR USE IN MINUTES OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING: ***************

TOPICS DISCUSSED AND ACTION(S) TAKEN (IF ANY):