

Public Session Minutes

The meeting of the Morgan State University Board of Regents was called to order by Chairman Kweisi Mfume at 12:33 p.m.

Present: Hon. Kweisi Mfume, Chairman; Rev. Dr. Frances Draper, Vice Chairman, Regent; Hon. Tracey Parker-Warren, Secretary, Regent; Rev. Dr. Harold Carter Jr., Regent; Hon. Elijah Cummings, Regent; General (Ret.) Larry Ellis, Regent; Dr. Linda Gilliam, Regent; Dr. Shirley Malcom, Regent; Ms. Niraje Medley-Bacon, Student Regent; Mr. B. Wayne Resnick, Regent; Mrs. Penelope Taylor, Regent; Ms. Shelonda Stokes, Regent; Dr. Tyrone Taborn, 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

The Chairman offered an overview of the meeting 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. The Chairman listed those items for the record.

Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming the Regents in attendance and by welcoming the members of the public who were joining as well.

Chairman Mfume reminded the Board of the two Committees that will be looking at Innovation and at several Committee assignments over the next year, and stated that they will be reporting at meetings to offer updates.

The Chairman informed the body that Ms. Angie Hart would be leaving the University for an outstanding opportunity in a significant role in the private sector. He thanked her for her service to Morgan over the past 3½ years and, on behalf of the Board, wished her well. He stated that she was always welcome to return to Morgan.

The Chairman reminded the Board of President Wilson's birthday and all wished him well.

Approval of Minutes

The Chairman called for a motion to approve the minutes from the August 7, 2018 Board meeting. It was **MOVED** by Regents Wilkinson and Cummings and **SECONDED** by Regent Resnick to approve the minutes of August 7, 2018. **THE MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

Report of the President

The President began his report by stating that, as we heard from Dr. Kara Turner, this looks to be the largest entering freshman class in a decade with nearly 1400 students. He thanked colleagues from Admissions, Enrollment Management, Financial Aid and Advising for always showcasing Morgan to prospective students in a professional and comprehensive fashion.

The President again echoed the Chairman's sentiment with regard to Ms. Hart's departure from the University. He thanked her for her contributions to the institution, and for the professionalism and standards that she brought to the Office and to her role as the Board Administrator. He wished her well with her new opportunity and with her future endeavors.

The President stated that he received a letter dated September 28th from R. Michael Gill, Maryland's Secretary of Commerce, informing us that Morgan's application to be designated as a RISE Zone was approved. This designation is designed to identify an area around the University that would enable developers to receive special incentives, such as tax credits to develop properties within a prescribed zone around the campus, and around other universities and hospitals. He thanked Kim McCalla for her leadership to construct Morgan's application as she marshaled it through the approval process.

The President offered an update from the event hosted in Martha's Vineyard by alumnus Greg Jones and his wife Lauren. *Morgan on the Vineyard* looks to become an annual fundraising activity for the institution and was a great success for its inaugural event. Mr. Jones officially installed a Morgan flag symbolic of the commitment to Morgan and a date has already been set for 2019.

President Wilson offered an update on the Homecoming activities stating that everything was very successful from the President's Report at the business meeting, the parade, the football game, and the sold-out Gala that was held on Friday evening. He thanked all of the staff team involved for the outstanding work on all of the events, and offered a special thank you to the facilities team for how well the campus was maintained before, during and after the weekend's events.

President Wilson reminded the Board that there were several individuals with long tenures at Morgan who have already retired or will be retiring this year. They are: Dr. Eugene DeLoatch (34 years), Dr. Clara Adams (59/61 years), Ms. Linda Farrar (46 years), Dr. Patricia Welch (29 years), Ms. Cheryl Hitchcock (19 years), and Dr. Burney Hollis (48 years). He thanked them for their over 237 years of service collectively.

Dr. Wilson also reminded the Board of the Founders Day activities scheduled for November 8, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. He stated that the speaker would be Dr. Nancy Elizabeth Fitch, the renowned historian, scholar and educator who established herself as one of the nation's leading authorities on the Virginia Collegiate and Industrial Institute, which was a branch of Morgan State College between 1893 and 1917.

The Chairman called for a motion to approve the President's Report. It was MOVED by Regent Wilkinson and SECONDED by Regent Malcom. The President's Report was APPROVED as presented.

Report of the Executive Committee

The Chairman provided an update from the November 1, 2018 Executive Committee Meeting. The Chairman informed the body that the meeting was informational in nature and added that any updates on the agenda items would be offered in the Closed Session later in the meeting today.

Report of the Standing Committees

Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Regent Gilliam informed the Board that the Committee approved the meeting minutes of August 7, 2018. She stated that the Committee received a report from Enrollment Management as well as a Student Affairs Update and the Student Government Association Report. Additionally, Regent Gilliam stated that the Committee received a report from the Athletic Department and that a report from this area will be a routine report for this Committee. As a part of the Student Affairs Update, the Committee received a status on the revisions to the Student Code of Conduct and stated that the discussion would be tabled until further details could be provided.

Regent Gilliam stated that the Academic and Student Affairs Committee recommended the approval of the Policy on Institutional Student Financial Aid. It was MOVED by Regent Malcom and SECONDED by Regent Cummings that the Policy on Institutional Student Financial Aid be approved. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Next, Regent Gilliam stated that the Academic and Student Affairs Committee recommended the approval of the repeal of the Board approved Honors Program Policy of June 18, 1987. It was MOVED by Regent Stokes and SECONDED by Regent Taylor that the repeal of the Honors Program Policy be approved. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Regent Gilliam stated that the Academic and Student Affairs Committee recommended the approval of the modification to the Reduced Teaching Load Policy. It was MOVED by Regent Wilkinson and SECONDED by Regent Draper that the Reduced Teaching Load Policy modifications be approved. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Regent Gilliam stated that this concluded this segment of her report.

Finance and Facilities Committee

The Chairman then called for the report from the Finance and Facilities Committee. Regent Malcom said that the Committee meeting minutes of August 7, 2018 were approved by the Committee.

Regent Malcom stated that the Committee received a number of informational items from the departments. The updates include Institutional Advancement, Enrollment Management, Division of Research and Economic Development, and an update from Facilities, Design and Construction Management. They also received updates on the FY 2020 Operating/Over-the-Target Budget Request, FY 2020 Capital Budget Request Update, and an Expression of Interest for Online Program Management.

Regent Malcom informed the Board that the Committee had a few items being recommended for approval.

Regent Malcom stated that the Committee recommended that the Board approve the Amendments to the Policy on Institutional Financial Aid for Undergraduate Students. It was MOVED by Regent Gilliam and SECONDED by Regent Medley-Bacon to approve the Amendments to the Policy on Institutional Financial Aid for Undergraduate Students. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Regent Malcom stated that the Committee recommended the approval of the Cash Management Policy. It was MOVED by Regent Ellis and SECONDED by Regents Wilkinson and Resnick to approve the Cash Management Policy. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Regent Malcom stated that this concluded her Public Session report.

Audit and Institutional Assessment Committee

The Chairman requested an update from Regent Ellis. Regent Ellis stated that the Committee received updates on the progress of follow-up audits, as well as an update on the final report from the Office of Legislative Audits (OLA) review at Morgan. He added that there was a report from SB & Company. He stated that things are tracking very well. Regent Ellis added that there were no additional items to report.

New Business

There were no new business items brought forward for the Board's consideration.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the PUBLIC SESSION to move into CLOSED SESSION. It was MOVED by Regent Cummings and SECONDED by Regents Gilliam and Parker-Warren to adjourn the PUBLIC SESSION. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The PUBLIC SESSION ADJOURNED at 3:19 p.m.

**MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
CITATION OF AUTHORITY FOR CLOSING A MEETING
UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT
BOARD OF REGENTS PUBLIC MEETING**

Date: November 5, 2018

Time: 12 noon

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 Cummings

Seconded by: Regent Gilliam and Regent Parker-Warren

Members voting in favor: All Regents in attendance

Opposed: None

Abstaining: None

Absent:

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

General Provisions Article, § 3-305 (b)(1)(7)(8):

(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;

(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. Update on Potential New Academic Program – Medical
2. Title IX Update
3. Update on NCAA Compliance – Athletic Program
4. Potential Honorary Degree Recommendations
5. Update on the Northwood Project

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

SIGNATURE:



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

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