## STOCKTON UNIVERSITY

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

## **OPEN PUBLIC MINUTES**

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

Trustees	Trustee Raymond Ciccone, Chair			
Present	Trustee Andy Dolce, Vice Chair			
(*via Zoom)	Trustee Nelida Valentin, Secretary			
,	Trustee Nancy Davis			
	Trustee Collins Days, Sr.			
	*Trustee Mady Deininger			
	Trustee Stan Ellis			
	Trustee Sonia Gonsalves			
	*Trustee Michelle Keates			
	Trustee Leo Schoffer			
	Trustee Meg Worthington			
	*Trustee Jaiden Chavis, Student Trustee			
	Trustee Liliana Morales, Student Trustee Alternate			
	Dr. Harvey Kesselman, President and Ex Officio			
Absent	Trustee Jose Lozano			
ABSCIII	Trustee 6030 E02ano			
Call to Order	Trustee Ciccone called the meeting to order at 12:45 p.m. on			
can to craci	Wednesday, February 23, 2022 on the Galloway Campus in the			
	President's Conference Room (K-203r). On December 1, 2021, a			
	notice of this meeting, as required by the Open Public Meetings			
	Act, was (a) posted on the University's Website; (b) sent to the			
	Press of Atlantic City and the Daily Journal, (c) and filed			
	Regular Meeting			
	Minutes of			
	December 8, 2021			
	Upon a motion duly made by Trustee Worthington and			
	seconded by Trustees Davis, the Board voted to adopt the Open			
	Public Meeting minutes of the December 8, 2021 Board of			
	Trustees Open Public Meeting.			
Resolution to	Upon a motion duly made by Trustee Schoffer and seconded by			
Meet in Closed	Trustee Worthington, the Board voted to meet in closed session			
Session	at 12:45 p.m.			
Reconvene of Open				
Public Meeting				

	numerous Black History Month's events and celebrations.
President's Report	President Kesselman asked for a moment of silence for two long- time faculty members who recently passed: Dr. Lucinda Jassel, Professor Emerita, Political Science; and Dr. Jamie Cromartie, Associate Professor Emeritus, Environmental Studies.
	President Kesselman welcomed guests from the Galloway Township Council, who presented a proclamation in recognition of Stockton's 50th anniversary.
	President Kesselman acknowledged the success of the University's women's and men's basketball teams.
	President Kesselman thanked the faculty and staff for attending his bi-annual address on February 18, 2022.
Academic Affairs & Planning Committee Report (AA&P)	Trustee Davis, Committee Chair, provided a summary of the February 22, 2022, committee meeting, which included four resolutions as part of a consent agenda:  x Endorsement of Middle States Commission on Higher Education 2021-2022 Self Study Report.  x Endorsement of the Academic Year Calendar for the Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 terms.  x Conferral of Honorary Degree to Dr. Brian K. Bridges, Stockton University's Commencement Speaker for May 2022.  x Conferral of Honorary Degree to Mr. Jon F. Hanson  Upon a motion duly made by Trustee Ciccone and seconded by Trustee Schoffer, the Board voted to adopt the resolutions.  Trustee Davis called on Leamor Kahanov, Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs, who reported on the following information items:  A new pilot program called "Live, Work, Learn" will provide undergraduate students the opportunity to live in the Atlantic City residential complex during the summer with room costs paid for by a local partner who will employ the student during the summer. The students will also take a four-credit work-readiness course for free. The program hopes to have 40 students participate this summer.  The Academic Affairs Division is undertaking market analyses for potential new academic programs.
Student Success Committee Report	Trustee Valentin, Committee Chair, provided a summary of the February 22, 2022 committee meeting, which included discussions about racial equity performance gaps, student resilience, the Stockton Cares program, and the importance of clubs and organizations to student success.

Trustee Valentin called on Bob Heinrich, Chief Enrollment Management Officer, to report. Bob first thanked the student admissions ambassadors who assist prospective students and their families when they visit campus. Bob then provided an update regarding the Spring 2022 enrollment figures along with a multi-year analysis of overall student headcount and full-time equivalency.

Chris Catching, Vice President of Student Affairs, summarized the committee's discussions on student health equity, including Stockton's participation in a nationwide Healthy Minds survey designed to assess the mental health and well-being of Stockton's students (almost 2,000 Stockton students participated). Catching acknowledged the work of Haley Baum, Dean of Students, and the staff in the Dean of Students office as well as the University's counseling staff, the Stockton Cares team, and Zupenda Davis-Shine Interim Assistant Vice President for Student Health and Wellness, and the Student Health Services team for their efforts regarding student health equity.

Chris also announced the University has been named one of "The Most Promising Places to Work in Student Affairs" for 2022 by the national publication Diverse: Issues in Higher Education.

President Kesselman stated that, at the recent New Jersey President's Council (NJPC) meeting, the number one topic of conversation was the mental health of students and how the issue is impacting college campuses. President Kesselman (as chair of the NJPC) said he is working with the State Secretary of Higher Education to create a statewide task force to study this issue and develop recommendations.

President Kesselman acknowledged the work undertaken by the University community for the Middle States reaccreditation process, particularly the efforts of the Self Study co-chairs: Robert Heinrich, Claudine Keenan, and Manish Madan.

Affairs:

x Introduced Parth Thakkar as Coordinator of Student Life