

**Tennessee State University Board of Trustees
Executive Committee Meeting – June 17, 2021
Via Zoom Link**

MINUTES

Executive Board Members Present: Trustees Joseph Walker, III, Deborah Cole, Pam Martin, and Steve Corbeil.

Other Board Members Present: Trustees Johnson, Sekmen, Simpson, McKenzie and Lewis.

University Staff Present: President Glenda Glover, and Mr. Laurence Pendleton, General Counsel and Board Secretary.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Walker called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Chair Walker moved to make certain findings on the record regarding the necessity for conducting the meeting electronically without a physical quorum present due to the coronavirus pandemic. Chair Walker indicated that the Board is scheduled to take up important and timely matters. Participation by electronic means is necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic and accompanying guidance from the Center for Disease Control (“CDC”) and the State of Tennessee to limit face-to-face contact whenever possible. Electronic participation for the Board meeting is necessary for the safety of Board members, staff, and guests. Trustee Martin seconded. Secretary Pendleton called the roll and the motion carried unanimously.

II. ROLL CALL/DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Walker asked the Board Secretary, Mr. Laurence Pendleton, to call the roll. The following Executive Committee Trustees were noted as present: Trustees Walker, Cole, Martin, and Corbeil.

Secretary Pendleton announced the presence of a quorum.

Chair Walker asked the committee members to state now if any of the committee members cannot hear or speak with each other. No committee members answered in the affirmative. Chair Walker also asked the committee members to indicate if someone is present with them from the location in which they are calling. No committee members indicated there was anyone present.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 11, 2021, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Chair Walker introduced the first order of business — the approval of the March 11, 2021, Executive Committee meeting minutes. Chair Walker informed the Committee that the minutes for the Executive Committee’s March 11, 2021, meeting are included in the Board materials for the June 17, 2021, Board meeting.

Chair Walker moved to recommend to the full Board the approval of the March 11, 2021, Executive Committee meeting minutes, as contained in the Board materials for the June 17, 2021,

Board meeting. Trustee Cole seconded the motion. With there being no discussion, Chair Walker called for a roll call vote. Secretary Pendleton called the roll. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. REPORT ON BOARD COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Chair Walker provided a report on the Board's new committee assignments. Chair Walker referred to the Committee assignments contained in the Board materials. He underscored his interest in maintaining momentum with the current Board committee assignments while taking into consideration the addition of new Board members.

VI. SECRETARY'S REPORT

Chair Walker asked Secretary Pendleton to provide a report to the Board. Secretary Pendleton reiterated the reappointments of Trustees Walker and McKenzie and appointment of Trustee Pinnock to serve a new six-year term on the TSU Board of Trustees.

Secretary Pendleton also indicated that the TSU Faculty Senate had undergone a process to select a new Faculty Trustee, and Dr. William Johnson had been elected as the next Faculty Trustee to serve a two-year term. Secretary Pendleton also indicated that the President and her designees had completed the process to recommend to the Board the next Student Trustee.

Secretary Pendleton also commented that President Glover would be attending the General Assembly's Joint Land Grant Study Committee meeting on June 30, 2021, to hear from the Committee how it wished to proceed based on the information presented to the Committee at its previous meetings.

Finally, Secretary Pendleton noted his role on the National Council of Attorneys with the Association of Public Land Grant Universities, with the Council's charge to address a myriad of issues confronting institutions of higher education throughout the country.

Chair Walker thanked Secretary Pendleton for his report.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Walker opened the floor for any additional business. With no further business, Chair Walker moved for adjournment. Trustee Martin seconded the motion. With there being no discussion, Chair Walker called for a roll call vote. Secretary Pendleton called the roll and the motion carried unanimously. Chair Walker adjourned the meeting at 10:05 a.m.