

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

DATE: Thursday, September 15, 2022, 12:00 p.m.

PLACE: The Wolstein Center, Gerald H. Gordon Conference Pavilion,

West Wing and via Zoom.

PRESENT: Chair David M. Reynolds; Trustees Timothy J. Cosgrove, Patricia

DePompei, Stephen F. Kirk, Lisa K. Kunkle, Alan G. Starkoff, and Vanessa L. Whiting; Student Trustees Brittany N. Sommers and Jake Wrege; Chair, CSU Foundation and Ex Officio Member Thomas E. Hopkins; Faculty Representatives Dr. Judith Ausherman and Dr. Anup Kumar; President Laura Bloomberg; and Secretary to the Board of Trustees, General Counsel and Vice President, Legal

Affairs and Compliance Sonali B. Wilson.

Others in attendance: Int. Provost and Sr. Vice President of Academic Affairs Nigamanth Sridhar; Sr. Vice President of Business Affairs and Chief Financial Officer David Jewell; Vice President and Dean of Enrollment Management Jonathan Wehner; Chief of Staff, Patricia L. Franklin; Vice President of Advancement Julie Rehm; and Heather A. Link, Assistant Board Secretary.

Chair Reynolds called the meeting to order at 12:39 p.m. and confirmed the presence of a quorum.

The Chair called for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2022 annual Board meeting, the June 28, 2022 special meeting, and the August 19, 2022 special meeting and retreat. He noted for the record that at the June 28 special meeting, the Executive Committee took action related to the President's Contract and at the August 19 special meeting, the Executive Committee took action related to the contract with KeyPath Education LLC.

Trustee Kunkle moved approval of the minutes; Trustee Kirk seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by a roll call.

throughout the year on projects and college realignment issues. She reported 54 new faculty members joining the university this fall.

President Bloomberg reported that Cleveland State University was ranked #1 among all public and private universities in Ohio for helping economically disadvantaged students graduate,

## RESOLUTION 2022-52 APPROVAL OF HONORARY DEGREE CANDIDATE

**WHEREAS,** individuals who have made outstanding contributions to Cleveland State University, the Greater Cleveland area, and/or society are nominated to receive an honorary degree from the University; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Lawrence James "Kid Leo" Travagliante became one of the top disc jockeys (DJ) nationally and introduced many leading rock and roll musicians through his work as a DJ and later as an executive for Columbia Records; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Travagliante played a major role in bringing the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame to Cleveland and he began his DJ career at Cleveland State in 1968; and

**WHEREAS,** since 2004 Kid Leo has been Program Director for Little Steven's Underground Garage, a channel on Sirius XM Radio that was developed by Little Steven Van Zandt, in 2021 he was promoted to General Manager; and

**WHEREAS,** the nominees are reviewed and accepted by the University Honorary Degree Committee and recommended to the Governance Committee of the Board of Trustees for further consideration; and

**WHEREAS**, the Graduation, Convocation, and Assembly Committee of the Faculty Senate fully supports Mr. Travagliante's nomination for an honorary degree; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governance Committee has reviewed the candidate for an honorary degree at its last committee meetings and recommends full Board approval:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Cleveland State University Board of Trustees approves Mr. Lawrence James "Kid Leo" **RESOLUTION** 

**WHEREAS,** Dr. Brooks has fulfilled the requirements for tenure at the rank of Professor as set forth in Article 12.10 of the Faculty Collective Bargaining Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee reviewed the award of rank and tenure to Dr. Stephanie Brooks at its last committee meeting and recommends full Board approval:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Cleveland State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the award of tenure at the rank of Professor to Dr. Stephanie Brooks in the School of Social Work, effective the first day of August 22, 2022 full-time employment at Cleveland State University.

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-54**

#### AWARD OF TENURE TO DR. ANDREW KERSTEN

**WHEREAS**, an external search was conducted to fill the inaugural position of Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences; and

**WHEREAS**, the search attracted a substantial pool of well-qualified candidates, including Dr. Andrew Kersten, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, at the University of Missouri-St. Louis; and

**WHEREAS**, the credentials of Dr. Kersten have been reviewed by the appropriate faculty peer review committee in the Department of History, the Chair, the Provost and the President; and

**WHEREAS,** Dr. Kersten has fulfilled the requirements for tenure at the rank of Professor as set forth in Article 12.10 of the Faculty Collective Bargaining Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee reviewed the award of rank and tenure to Dr. Andrew Kersten at its last committee meeting and recommends full Board approval:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board delegates development of procedures for investigation and hearing of complaints concerning the new Policy to the University administration, and instructs the administration to file the new policy with the Ohio Legislative Services Commission pursuant to the University's Formulation and Issuance of Policies rule.

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-57**

#### APPROVAL OF ODHE REPORT ON COURSE AND PROGRAM REVIEW

WHEREAS, Amended Substitute HB64 requires that the boards of trustees of each state institution of higher education evaluate all courses and programs based on enrollment and student performance at their respective institutions every three years; and

WHEREAS, Cleveland State University has conducted a review of 1345 courses, identified 111 courses that meet the chancellor's definition of low enrollment, and taken appropriate actions to reduce the number of low enrollment courses; and

**WHEREAS,** Cleveland State University has conducted a review of 72 undergraduate programs of which 23 were identified as low enrolling as well as 77 graduate programs of which 36 were identified as low enrolling, and has taken appropriate actions to closely examine these specific low enrollment programs; and

**WHEREAS**, Cleveland State University has been collaborating with other institutions in the region to share courses and offer joint programs and will continue to explore such opportunities to optimize the use of State resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee reviewed the Course and Program Review Report at its last committee meeting and recommends full Board approval:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Cleveland State University Board of Trustees approves the Cleveland State University Course and Program Review Report for submittal to the Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education.

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-58**

#### APPROVAL OF THE FY2023 INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN

**WHEREAS**, the University's Office of Internal Audit delivered and discussed the FY 2023 Annual Plan with the Vice President of Business Affairs and Finance and the President; and

**WHEREAS**, the Vice President of Business Affairs and Finance recommends that the full Board accept the Annual Plan as submitted; and

**WHEREAS**, the Financial Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees has reviewed this matter and recommends full Board approval:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Cleveland State University Board of Trustees hereby accepts the FY 2023 Office of Internal Audit's Annual Plan as submitted.

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-59**

### CONTINUATION OF THE MANAGED PC LIFECYCLE PROGRAM

**WHEREAS,** the University on an annual basis spends \$1.2 to \$1.5 million dollars on the purchase of PCs (personal computers) and presently has a structured procedure to manage the acquisition of university PCs and pre-delivery services; and

**WHEREAS**, the University has identified and participates in an existing State contract, for pricing on standard configuration PCs, equipment warranty and installation/management; and

**WHEREAS**, the University is eligible to purchase under this agreement through certified resellers, securing preferred pricing and services with no purchasing obligation on behalf of the university; and

**WHEREAS**, the Financial Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees has reviewed this matter and recommends full Board approval:

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Chief Information Officer to issue a blanket purchase order not to exceed \$1,500,000 for each fiscal year going forward, provided the amount is appropriated and budgeted each year, to facilitate the purchase and tracking of PC equipment in standard configurations and services as directed by the university.

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-60**

# REQUEST TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY FOR ASSOCIATE OF THE UNIVERSITY STATUS

WHEREAS, Professional Staff Personnel Policies provide for the granting of Associate of the University status to Professional Staff members upon their retirement with a showing of distinguished service to the University; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 26, 2004, the Board of Trustees expanded the Associate of the University status to retiring distinguished classified staff; and

**WHEREAS**, the administration requests authority to administer the Associate of the University program; and

WHEREAS, the administration will report annually at the September meeting a list of all

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Cleveland State University Board of Trustees hereby approves the delegation of authority to the University's administration to execute and implement the successor collective bargaining agreement between Cleveland State University and the Fraternal Order of Police/Ohio Labor Council, Inc. for a 1-year extension and 3-year period from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Reynolds adjourned the meeting at 2:25 p.m.