



**SEMIANNUAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE**

June 23, 2020

Minutes

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Delaware was held on June 23, 2020 via videoconference. The meeting began at 2:00pm.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

John R. Cochran, Chair; Carol Ammon; Dennis N. Assanis; Christopher Baker; Jim Borel; I.G. Burton III; Allison B. Castellanos; Joan F. Coker; Claire DeMatteis; Bill DiMondi; Donna Fontana; Chai Gadde; Michael Geltzeiler; Kathleen Hawkins; Terri Kelly; Nisha Lodhavia; Guy Marcozzi; Terry Murphy; Debra Hess Norris; John Paradee; Claudia Peña Porretti; Donald J. Puglisi; Rob Rider Jr.; Ed Sannini; David Spartin; Sean Wang; Kenneth C. Whitney

TRUSTEES EXCUSED:

John Carney; Michael Lynch

APPROVED ON A MOTION MADE AND SECONDED:

The minutes of the Board's Semiannual meeting of December 10, 2019.

RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolutions were approved by the Board of Trustees:

1. **WHEREAS**, the following donors have generously given to the University of Delaware; and

*(details as contained in the listing provided in the Spring 2020 PA&A Committee meeting booklet and detailed in **Appendix A** included in these materials)*

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby

expresses its sincere gratitude for the generosity of these donors.

- 2. WHEREAS**, the University of Delaware’s Honors Program has enjoyed a rich 43-year history having grown from modest beginnings to currently engaging nearly 2,000 students representing seven colleges and roughly 10 percent of the University’s undergraduate population, and

WHEREAS, the University of Delaware’s Honors Program has evolved to a state that it provides a comparable program to peer institutions Honors Colleges and the designation of “Honors College” has become the national norm, and

WHEREAS, the renaming of the Honors Program to the Honors College will enable Honors to:

- Enhance the profile and prestige of the University of Delaware
- Better engage UD’s most intellectually driven students
- Expand faculty engagement
- Foster diversity and inclusion
- Be on the same level as our competitor and aspirational institutions
- Enhance recruitment, retention, and quality of our students
- Serve as an incubator for innovative academic models
- Be more engaged in University-wide leadership conversations, and
- Increase alumni engagement and provide a significant development opportunity to generate more resources, and

WHEREAS, the creation of an Honors College has received support from the Honors Program Student Advisory Council, the Honors Program Faculty Board, and the Honors Program External Advisory Council, and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate recommends approval to rename the University of Delaware’s Honors Program to the University of Delaware’s Honors College, and

WHEREAS, the Administration and Trustee Committee on Academic Affairs recommends approval to rename the University of Delaware’s Honors Program to the University of Delaware’s Honors College,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the renaming of the University of Delaware’s Honors Program to the University of Delaware’s Honors College effective July 1, 2020.

- 3. WHEREAS**, the Joseph R. Biden, Jr. School of Public Policy and Administration is a comprehensive school of public affairs, and

WHEREAS, the priorities and operational requirements for a successful

professional school are different from those of the non-professional programs in the College of Arts and Sciences, and

WHEREAS, the designation as a freestanding school will enable the Biden School to operate with policies and practices appropriate to a professional school of public affairs, beneficial to its faculty, staff and students, and supportive of its distinctive mission and responsibilities, and

WHEREAS, the Biden School increasingly operates on a university-wide scale, collaborating with many colleges, and designation as a freestanding professional school will encourage the growth of those university-wide collaborative programs, and

WHEREAS, an independent status for the Biden School would enhance its unique role in the University of Delaware's strategic vision in strengthening interdisciplinary programs, and

WHEREAS, the leading comprehensive schools of public affairs are freestanding professional schools led by a dean, including aspirational peers, and

WHEREAS, the designation as a freestanding school will enhance the Biden School's identity and recognition as a professional school, and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate recommends that effective July 1, 2020, the Biden School of Public Policy and Administration be a freestanding professional school, and

WHEREAS, the Administration and the Trustee Committee on Academic Affairs also recommends that effective July 1, 2020, the Biden School of Public Policy and Administration be a freestanding professional school,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves that effective July 1, 2020, the Biden School of Public Policy and Administration be a freestanding professional school.

4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, to recognize the personnel actions (named professorships and promotions and tenure) presented in the May 27, 2020 meeting booklet of the Trustee Committee on Academic Affairs as contained in Appendix B.
5. **WHEREAS**, the Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering in the College of Engineering has offered a successful Master of Engineering in Particle Technology (MEPT) program, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering does not have another professional degree other than the MEPT program, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering does not have another 4+1 program other than the 4+1 BCHE/MEPT program, and

WHEREAS, there is present particle technology interest from students and IFPRI, and

WHEREAS, there is a lack of graduate degree programs in particle technology, and

WHEREAS, there is a lack of concentration in particle technology in undergraduate degrees, and

WHEREAS, the existing MEPT graduate program already provides all of the courses and administrative framework for continuing such a degree, and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate recommends permanent program status approval for the MEPT program, and

WHEREAS, the Administration and Trustee Committee on Academic Affairs also recommends permanent program status approval for the MEPT program,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves permanent program status for the MEPT program.

6. **WHEREAS**, the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Bioinformatics Data Science was provisionally approved in 2012 and is due for Permanent Status Program Review (PSPR), and

WHEREAS, the program's enrollment has grown and remained steady with all students receiving support in the form of research assistantships or fellowships, and

WHEREAS, the PSPR Evaluation Report during Spring 2019 recommends permanent status, and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate recommends approval of granting permanent status to the PhD in Bioinformatics Data Science, and

WHEREAS, the Administration and the Trustee Committee on Academic Affairs also recommends approval of granting permanent status to the PhD in Bioinformatics Data Science,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves permanent status for the PhD in Bioinformatics Data Science.

7. **WHEREAS**, the Department of Economics in the Lerner College of Business and Economics currently offers an MA degree in Economics, and

WHEREAS, due to a decline in applications and enrollment the Department of Economics has proposed to eliminate the MA degree in Economics, and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate recommends the approval for the disestablishment of the MA degree in Economics, and

WHEREAS, the Administration and the Trustee Committee on Academic Affairs also recommends the approval for the disestablishment of the MA degree in Economics,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the disestablishment of the MA degree in Economics.

8. **WHEREAS**, there has been no demand for the BA in Linguistics and French, and

WHEREAS, interested students can easily double major, and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate recommends the disestablishment of the BA in Linguistics and French, effective September 1, 2020, and

WHEREAS, the Administration and the Trustee Committee on Academic Affairs also recommends the disestablishment of the BA in Linguistics and French, effective September 1, 2020,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the disestablishment of the BA in Linguistics and French, effective September 1, 2020.

9. **WHEREAS**, the Communication Sciences and Disorders Program has existed in the College of Health Sciences since 2013, and

WHEREAS, departmental status would closely align the University of Delaware program with top tier universities, and

WHEREAS, the Communication Sciences and Disorders Program now numbers 11 core faculty, and

WHEREAS, Communication Sciences and Disorders now offers master's and doctoral level degrees, and

WHEREAS, Communication Sciences and Disorders has accepted one Ph.D. cohort (9 students), as well as four masters level cohorts (101 students) and graduated two of them (48 students), and

WHEREAS, the work of Communication Sciences and Disorders serves the greater Delaware communities, and

WHEREAS, creation of a Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders will require no new resources, and

WHEREAS, the faculty and administration of the College of Health Sciences have approved the proposal for a Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders, and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate recommends the existing Communication Sciences and Disorders Program become a department to be called the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders, and

WHEREAS, the Administration and Trustee Committee on Academic Affairs also recommends the existing Communication Sciences and Disorders Program become a department to be called the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves that the existing Communication Sciences and Disorders Program become a department to be called the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders.

10. WHEREAS, the Committees on Grounds and Buildings and Finance have reviewed the following project summaries and costs for completion, as provided by the Administration:

McKinly Laboratory Replacement	\$14,000,000;
DuPont Laboratory - Phorid Fly Remediation	\$ 1,250,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees approves the McKinly Laboratory Replacement and DuPont Laboratory – Phorid Fly Remediation and approves the Administration to take any further action deemed necessary to complete these projects.

11. RESOLVED, that, effective fall 2020, the student Comprehensive Fee be increased from \$429 per semester to \$489 per fall and spring semester for all

full-time students.

12. RESOLVED, that, effective fall 2020, the Student Wellbeing fee be increased from \$227 per semester to \$352; that effective winter 2021 the winter session fee be increased from \$66 to \$77; and that effective summer 2021 the summer session fee be increased from \$88 to \$98.

13. RESOLVED, that, effective fall 2020, the University annual dining plan rates will be increased an average of 2.0 percent.

14. RESOLVED, that, effective fall 2020, the University traditional residence hall room annual rates will be increased by an average of 2.0 percent.

15. RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the engagement of KPMG as auditors of the University's Consolidated Financial Statements, NCAA Report, OMB Uniform Guidance Single Audit Report, State of Delaware Appropriations Report, Library Associates Report, Alumni Association Report, and IRS Form 990 in accordance with the terms, conditions and fees as outlined in the Audit Visiting Committee meeting on June 2, 2020 for FY 2021, FY2022, and FY2023, respectively.

16. WHEREAS, prudence suggests that the endowment policy consider the preservation of endowed principal along with spending needs of the University, and

WHEREAS, the University endowment spending policy guideline provides for an annual distribution in the range of 4 – 5% of the pooled endowment portfolio average market value over the twelve trailing quarters through December of the year prior to the new fiscal year,

WHEREAS, the endowment spending policy of 4 – 5% is a guideline and the current economic climate is unstable,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the endowment pooled portfolio distribute \$3.90 per unit in FY 2021 which represents 3.91% of the endowment pooled portfolio average market value over the twelve trailing quarters through December 31, 2019.

17. RESOLVED, that all checks against accounts of the University of Delaware shall bear either:

- a) The facsimile signatures of both the President and Chief Operating Officer of the University as imprinted by one of the University's check-signing machines, with background and other identifying symbols, or the manual signatures of both the President and Executive Vice President and

Chief Operating Officer of the University in accordance with specimens duly filed with the several banks by the Secretary of the University, or

b) Should either of the above officers be absent, the signature of the President or the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of the University and either the Provost or the Secretary of the University in accordance with specimens duly filed as aforesaid.

18. RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees as follows:

RESOLVED, that any two of the following: President of the University, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Vice President for Finance and Deputy Treasurer, Vice President and University Secretary, Interim Associate Vice President Finance, Business Operations and Chief Investment Officer are authorized on behalf of the University of Delaware to open and close bank, brokerage, custody, trust, safekeeping, or other accounts on behalf of the University of Delaware, subject to the bylaws of the University of Delaware and resolutions of the Board of Trustees, and to enter into agreements governing the administration of such accounts upon such terms and conditions as such officers shall deem to be requisite and proper, said agreement to provide, among other things, the manner in which such securities and/or property so deposited and the income there from may be held, withdrawn and/or disposed of, and shall designate the employees of the University who shall give directions with respect to such securities, property and/or income and any other matters or things reasonably pertinent to the deposit of such securities and/or property.

Any two of the above named officers of the University, subject to the bylaws of the University of Delaware, the resolutions of the Board of Trustees and the laws of the State of Delaware, hereby are authorized on behalf of the University to do the following:

1. To establish checking accounts with international banks, such accounts to contain only sufficient funds to meet program needs and to designate individual employees single signature authority on such accounts where appropriate and with adequate controls.
2. To establish petty cash accounts in banks, such accounts to contain only sufficient funds to meet program needs and to designate individual officers or employees signature authority on such accounts where appropriate and with adequate controls.
3. To open escrow accounts, pledge collateral, procure letters of credit or other surety instruments.

4. To issue instructions, written or oral, for deposits, withdrawals, or transfer of funds or securities to or from University accounts by electronic means, including, but not limited to, wire transfers, EFT, and lockboxes, or to designate to other individual officers and employees, with adequate controls, the power to take such actions whenever appropriate.
5. To open accounts in any publicly traded mutual fund in the name of the University of Delaware, for the purpose of accepting and holding gifts.
6. To instruct or permit any bank or brokerage firm holding any property of the University of Delaware to register said property in the name of such bank or firm's nominee.
7. To instruct or permit any bank or brokerage firm holding any property of the University of Delaware to deposit or arrange for the deposit of such property at Depository Trust Company or any other securities depository or clearing corporation, and to hold such property on behalf of the University of Delaware at any correspondent branch of said bank or firm. Such property may be registered in the depository, bank or firm's nominee name.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, all and any resolutions previously adopted which are in conflict with this resolution be, and hereby are, revoked or amended to resolve such conflict.

19. RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees as follows:

RESOLVED, that any two of the following: President of the University, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Vice President for Finance and Deputy Treasurer, Vice President and University Secretary, Interim Associate Vice President Finance, Business Operations and Chief Investment Officer (subject to the bylaws of the University, the resolutions of the Board of Trustees and the laws of the State of Delaware, and the investment decisions of the Investment Visiting Committee of the Board of Trustees), hereby are authorized on behalf of the University of Delaware to:

1. Open Accounts. To open accounts in any brokerage or publicly traded mutual fund in the name of the University of Delaware, for the purpose of accepting and holding gifts, or to carry out investment decisions approved by the Board of Trustees Committee on Finance.
2. Security Authority. To purchase, sell, transfer and endorse for sale or transfer any and all securities of the corporation, and to delegate to other individual officers and employees the power to take such actions as deemed appropriate and with adequate controls.

3. Investment Authority. To execute the policies of the Board of Trustees, the Board's Committee on Finance, and the Board's Investment Visiting Committee:
 - a. By investing the University's monies, including the endowment, in hedge funds,
 - b. By entering into interest rate exchange agreements, including agreements such as basis swaps, swaptions, and
 - c. By the purchase and sale of other derivative products, all upon such terms and conditions as such officers shall deem requisite, proper and in the best interest of the University.
 - d. Such officers may delegate to other officers and employees the power to take the foregoing actions whenever appropriate.
4. Authority to Take Other Appropriate Action. The President, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Vice President for Finance and Deputy Treasurer, Vice President and University Secretary, Assistant Vice President, Analysis and Operations and Chief Investment Officer of the University are hereby authorized to take actions to execute and deliver any agreements, certificates or other documents to accomplish the purposes of this Resolution.
5. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective upon its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, all and any resolutions previously adopted which are in conflict with this resolution be, and hereby are, revoked or amended to resolve such conflict.

20. WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020 the Governor of the State of Delaware, John C. Carney, declared a state of emergency due to the emerging global public health threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the coronavirus pandemic and its far-reaching effects have led to significant health, economic and social hardships and challenges for people and organizations throughout the State of Delaware, including the University of Delaware's students, faculty, staff, alumni and other members of our community; and

WHEREAS, medical workers and support staff throughout the State responded to the pandemic with unwavering dedication and compassion to meet the health needs of those affected by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Delaware's first responders, both professional and volunteer, provided critical support for the state's pandemic response, once again demonstrating their commitment to keeping our community safe in times of crisis; and

WHEREAS, a multitude of community organizations redoubled their efforts to provide for the various needs of everyone whose livelihoods and social networks were diminished by the coronavirus pandemic, reminding us all that we depend on each other for our collective welfare and wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, essential workers throughout Delaware continued to perform their duties with professionalism, while adhering to health guidelines and restrictions, so that our entire community could remain strong and resilient;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the University of Delaware expresses its sincere gratitude to all those who serve to support the University of Delaware and State communities as we continue to work together to meet the challenges ahead.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Cochran convened the meeting at 2:00pm and welcomed all those in attendance for the Board of Trustees first virtual semiannual meeting. He requested a moment of silence in remembrance of friends of the University who had recently passed away. He then called on Mr. Burton for the Attendance Report and the Report of the Treasurer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On a motion made and seconded, the Board approved the minutes of the Board's semiannual meeting of December 10, 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The Board of Trustees allotted time on the agenda for public comment. The Board recognized Lieutenant Governor Bethany Hall-Long and Dr. John Morgan for public comment and each addressed the Board for two minutes.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT:

Dr. Assanis opened his remarks with an offer of thanks to the work of the community, including those who have worked to keep us safe and supported the health of our community members during the uncertain times of the COVID-19 pandemic. He noted that it is necessary to focus on supporting student success, ways to be empathetic and supportive of one another in the community, and on the ability to be flexible and creative in this environment.

Dr. Assanis spoke to the work the University has done, and new initiatives being enacted, in order to create a more inclusive community. New initiatives include

mandatory diversity training for students, faculty and staff; new fundraising for social justice initiatives; a review of naming considerations for buildings on campus; and plans for a series of dialogs and listening sessions throughout the coming academic year. He reviewed data demonstrating growth in underrepresented minority populations within undergraduate student, graduate student, and faculty and staff populations, noting that building an environment of inclusive excellence has been a top priority for his administration since his arrival in 2016. He recognized through this presentation that while progress has been made, additional work is still needed through consistent, long-term commitment.

Dr. Assanis reviewed several awards and accolades received by students and faculty for excellence in academics, research and teaching. He also provided an update on several large capital projects, and thanked Trustees Carol Ammon and Kenneth Whitney for their generosity in supporting the Ammon-Pinizzotto Biopharmaceutical Innovation Center and Whitney Athletic Center, respectively.

Dr. Assanis next introduced Rodney Morrison, Vice President for Enrollment Management, to provide an update on enrollment and the incoming first-year class.

Mr. Morrison spoke to the ongoing work to shape the incoming class—the class of 2024. He shared excitement with the growth in applications this year, noting that the University received over 33,000 applications, which represents an increase of 27% from the prior year. He noted increases in underrepresented minority applications as part of overall growth. Even with these positive developments, Mr. Morrison recognized the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic as it relates to the building of the incoming class.

Mr. Morrison shared some takeaways from a national survey of college-going students and their thinking for the fall semester and higher education. He noted that some are considering taking a gap year, but the University has not experienced an increase in requests for deferral from admitted students. Respondents also noted that the method of education was important and cited cost as an important decision-making factor. The University is working with admitted students to meet their needs financially as well as address questions. The COVID-19 pandemic, and the novel uncertainty, has impacted the ways in which colleges and universities predict fall enrollment. The University is trailing last year's enrollment figures by approximately 4% and shared that some institutions are seeing deposits for the incoming class down by as much as 20%.

Despite these factors, Mr. Morrison noted the strength of the fall class and highlighted several student pipeline programs that the University utilizes to support and engage the community and introduce future college students and their families to the University of Delaware. He also shared that the University has decided to move to a test-optional application for both non-residents and

residents.

In closing, Mr. Morrison discussed the University's Associate in Arts program. He noted the success of the program in providing Associate's degrees to students as well as the high percentage of students who then persist at the Newark campus to complete a Bachelor's degree.

Dr. Assanis next presented on plans for the fall semester. He shared that in order to support affordability and access, tuition rates for the upcoming year would be frozen for both residents and non-residents, and indicated that some student fees are being increased. He next spoke to the reopening strategy for the fall, which is driven by care for our people, a cultivation of academic excellence and a commitment to positive social impact. Steps for the fall have been informed by several cross-functional task forces and Dr. Assanis expressed his gratitude to those who led the groups as well as the membership.

The plan for the fall is to adopt a blended education model, combining face-to-face and online teaching and learning, with a start to the semester as planned on September 1. Classes will be held in accordance with state guidelines on gatherings, and Dr. Assanis noted that the University will need to continually monitor, adapt, and prepare to adjust plans subject to any new conditions as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. That said, Dr. Assanis noted the pedagogical benefits of blending both online and face-to-face instruction and noted faculty will be prepared to accommodate students who cannot attend in person, or do not feel comfortable doing so.

Dr. Assanis spoke to the new health protocols that will be in place for the fall, including mandatory face coverings, maintaining physical distance, and participating in periodic health screenings. He noted that the research community at the University has already begun a phased return to campus operations over the summer utilizing similar protocols. Dr. Assanis shared that a cultural shift will be required to support these efforts, and also noted changes related to residence halls and dining halls. He also spoke to the tentative plans with regard to student athlete competition and training.

Chairman Cochran expressed his thanks to President Assanis for his presentation and for the tireless work of the University faculty, students and staff to date. He opened the meeting for questions from any board members. Trustee Whitney asked when the University might know the final enrollment figures for the incoming class. In response, Dr. Assanis shared that current models are anticipating a class of approximately 3,750 students, whereas the original target was 4,450. Mr. Morrison added that with over 4,000 deposits received, the University is optimistic that the fall class will be somewhere in the range of 3,700-4,000 students.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

Dr. Assanis introduced Dr. Jennifer Horney, founding director of UD's program in epidemiology, which focuses on uncovering the distribution, patterns and causes of diseases.

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS & ADVANCEMENT:

Ms. Kelly presented the report of the Committee's meeting of May 26, 2020.

Highlights included:

- Presentations on the impacts of COVID-19 on city and state governance;
- An update on the evolving state budget for fiscal years 2020 and 2021;
- An update on CARES Act funding and possible future funding;
- The new work of the Office of Communications and Marketing in response to the pandemic; and
- An update on fundraising and the capital campaign, including a discussion of how and when to celebrate the success of the campaign meeting it's \$750M goal.

Ms. Kelly reviewed the resolution recommended for action by the Board of Trustees as included in the Consent Agenda.

TRUSTEE/FACULTY COMMITTEE ON HONORARY DEGREES AND AWARDS:

Ms. Norris presented the report of the Committee's meeting of May 26, 2020.

Highlights included:

- A discussion of strategies to reschedule and reimagine the spring Convocation and Commencement ceremonies that were postponed;
- The recognition of those who have accepted the recognition to be honored as honorary degree recipients for the Class of 2020: John L. Anderson, Patricia DeLeon, Ty Jones, and A. Gilchrist Sparks III.
- The Committee continues the review and refine the list of possible recipients for the University's Medal of Distinction; and
- Potential ways to recognize and honor awardees during a time of physical distancing.

Ms. Norris noted that there were no resolutions recommended for action by the Board of Trustees.

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE ON STUDENT LIFE AND ATHLETICS:

Mr. Spartin reported on the Committee's meeting of May 27, 2020. Highlights included:

- A presentation on the University's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the path forward;
- The work of the division of student life to provide most of its on-campus services online, including telehealth for students;

- An update on athletics successes prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, including a winning percentage of 72%, and plans moving forward for the summer and fall; and
- Updates from the leaders of the Graduate Student Government and Student Government Association.

Mr. Spartin noted there were no resolutions recommended for action by the Board of Trustees.

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS:

Ms. Fontana reported on the Committee's meeting of May 27, 2020.

Highlights included:

- An overview of the University's response to COVID-19 and a presentation from Dr. Morgan regarding the University's academic response;
- A presentation from Dr. Okagaki regarding physical distancing's impacts on our academic classroom capacity;
- An update on the Middle States Commission on Higher Education accreditation process; and
- Several academic resolutions for the Committee's approval.

Ms. Fontana reviewed the resolutions recommended for action by the Board of Trustees as included in the Consent Agenda.

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE ON GROUNDS & BUILDINGS:

Mr. Borel reported on the Committee's meeting of June 3, 2020. Highlights included:

- A review of Projects Summary, which notes projects completed, projects in progress, projects requiring approval, and project notifications;
- Review and approval of two projects: McKinly Laboratory – Demolition and Abatement and the DuPont Laboratory – Phorid Fly Remediation; and
- An update on an enhancement to the Perkins Student Center in partnership with Aramark.

Mr. Borel reviewed the resolutions recommended for action by the Board of Trustees as included in the Consent Agenda.

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

Dr. Puglisi reported on the Committee's meeting of June 2, 2020. Highlights included:

- Several financial resolutions that are required whenever there is a change in the Officers of the University;
- Discussion of the pooled investment portfolio, which had a return of approximately 7% for FY2019;
- Approval of the endowment distribution payout for the upcoming year; and

- Approval of the two projects that were presented by Mr. Borel during his update to the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Puglisi reviewed the resolutions recommended for action by the Board of Trustees as included in the Consent Agenda.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Mr. Murphy reported on the Committee's meeting of June 9, 2020. At that meeting, the officer candidates for the 2020-2021 year were recommended for approval.

Dr. Puglisi then continued the report of the Nominating Committee, asking the officer candidates to be excused for the presentation and vote. Dr. Puglisi presented the following Slate of Officers for 2020-2021:

- John R. Cochran, Chair
- Terri L. Kelly, Vice Chair
- Terence M. Murphy, Vice Chair
- I.G. Burton III, Secretary/Treasurer.

On a motion made and seconded, the officers were elected unanimously, and were greeted with applause by those assembled.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Mr. Cochran reported that the Executive Committee met on June 9, 2020. The Committee received reports from all standing Committees of the Board, and reviewed the resolutions brought forward by the standing Committees, all of which were included in the Consent Agenda and recommended for formal action by the Board of Trustees.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mr. Cochran reviewed the resolutions contained in the Consent Agenda. On a motion made and seconded, resolutions contained in the Consent Agenda were approved as presented.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Cochran called attention to the additional resolution on faculty personnel actions, as provided for each of the trustees. On a motion made and seconded, the Board approved the resolution recognizing recent faculty personnel actions.

Mr. Cochran also read into the record a resolution recognizing all those who have supported the State of Delaware and University communities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:43pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Beth G. Brand
Vice President & University Secretary

DRAFT MINUTES

APPENDIX A

RESOLUTIONS

July 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Whereas the following donors;	Have generously given the amount of;	To the benefit of the following school or unit;	Whereas the gift shall be allocated as follows;
Unidel Foundation, Inc. (FP)	\$ 7,213,390.00	Arts & Sciences; Engineering; University Wide	Center for the Study and Prevention of Gender-Based Violence; Equipment Upgrade and Renovation for the Design Studio; Eugene du Pont Memorial Distinguished Scholars; Increase the Quality and Impact of UD Doctoral Programs; Health and Wellness Training Program; Ammon Pinizzotto Biopharmaceutical Innovation Center; Unrestricted Support for Presidential Priorities
Aramark (CP)	\$ 3,000,000.00	University Wide	New Equipment for Campus Projects
Edward C. Davis Trust (TC)	\$ 2,354,209.80	Engineering	Civil Engineering Scholarships
Mr. Kenneth C. Whitney ('80/BE) and Mrs. Elizabeth K. Whitney (FR)	\$ 1,500,000.00	Athletics	Whitney Athletic Center

Whereas the following donors;	Have generously given the amount of;	To the benefit of the following school or unit;	Whereas the gift shall be allocated as follows;
H. Fletcher Brown Trust (TC)	\$ 1,193,254.14	University Wide	H. Fletcher Brown Trust
Mrs. Claudia G. Fischer (RF) and Dr. Richard B. Fischer (RF)	\$ 1,000,000.00	Arts and Sciences	Richard and Claudia Fischer Choral Enrichment Fund; Claudia and Richard Fischer Music Scholarship
Ms. Janice L. Pehrson ('67/AS) and Mr. Kristyan Panzica (FR)	\$ 1,000,000.00	Engineering	Frank A. Pehrson Computer Science Achievement Award for the Outstanding CIS Graduate Student
Elizabeth V. White Trust (TC)	\$ 901,525.53	Health Sciences	College of Health Sciences Scholarship Support
Anonymous Alumn (AA)	\$ 500,000.00	Agriculture and Natural Resources	Atlantis Fund to support the UDairy Creamery
Mr. Richard A. Costello ('73/EG) and Mrs. Nina L. Costello (FR)	\$ 500,000.00	Engineering	Construction Engineering and Management Program
Dr. Evelyn M. Maurmeyer ('74/EOE)	\$ 450,000.00	Earth, Ocean and Environment	Evelyn M. Maurmeyer Scholarship
Delaware Community Foundation (FP)	\$ 336,623.00	Health Sciences	Healthy Communities Delaware Program
The Henry Francis du Pont Winterthur Museum (OO)	\$ 314,868.50	Arts and Sciences	Winterthur Museum Graduate Student Stipends
Roland G. Paynter Trust (TC)	\$ 296,952.00	Health Sciences	College of Health Sciences Scholarship Support

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Puglisi and Associates (CP) [Dr. Donald J. Puglisi (TR) and Ms. Marichu C. Valencia (PP)]	\$ 294,400.00	Arts and Sciences; Athletics; Business and Economics; Morris Library University Wide	Calidore String Quartet; Resident Ensemble Players; School of Music; Athletic Fund; Center for Economic Education and Entrepreneurship; Department of Finance; University Museums; General Scholarship Fund
Anonymous Foundation (FO) [Anonymous Alumn (AA)]	\$ 280,000.00	Agriculture and Natural Resources; Arts and Sciences; Health Sciences	Apiary Program; Atlantis Fund-UDairy Creamery Support Fund; Chorale; GoBabyGo! Program
Dr. Eva-Maria Hauck-Grasselli (FR)	\$ 275,000.00	Engineering	Eva-Maria Hauck-Grasselli Faculty Support Fund in Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering
Winifred J. Robinson Trust (TC)	\$ 268,540.32	University Wide	Dr. Winifred J. Robinson Trust
Anonymous Faculty/Staff (FA)	\$ 250,000.00	Morris Library; University Wide	Acquisition Fund; Teaching Fund
Choptank Foundation (FP)	\$ 250,000.00	Arts and Sciences	Biggs Museum of American Art Student Internship
Ms. Sabina B. Stern ('71/AS) and Mr. Andrew M. Stern ('70/AS)	\$ 250,000.00	Health Sciences	Andrew and Sabina Stern Fund for Health Care Excellence
Dr. Irene H. Talley ('69/EHD)	\$ 240,000.00	Education and Human Development	Dr. Irene Talley Scholarship

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George A. Prouse Trust (TC)	\$ 206,615.29	University Wide	George A. Prouse Trust
Delaware Community Foundation (FP) [Mr. Charles C. Allen III ('71/ANR) and Mrs. Barbara Allen (PP)]	\$ 200,000.00	Agriculture and Natural Resources	Allen Family Scholarship Support Fund; UDairy Creamery Expansion
Mr. Ertan Yenicay (FR)	\$ 175,000.00	Morris Library	University Museums
Robert E. Ellegood Trust (TC)	\$ 169,564.62	University Wide	Robert E. Ellegood Trust
Dr. Elizabeth M. Perse (RF) and Mr. Jeffrey A. Bergstrom (PP)	\$ 169,125.08	Arts and Sciences	Jeffrey Bergstrom and Elizabeth Perse Charitable Remainder Unitrust
Travie W. Stricklin, Jr. Trust (TC)	\$ 152,002.00	University Wide	Travie W. Stricklin Jr. Trust
Margaret S. Sterck Trust (TC)	\$ 144,500.00	University Wide	Margaret S. Sterck Trust
Celgene Corporation (CP)	\$ 127,903.40	University Wide	NIIMBL Donated Equipment Fund
Mrs. Sheryl L. Grogg ('79/AS) and Mr. Steven L. Grogg (FR) [Ms. Nancy J. Pyle (PP) and Family]	\$ 125,000.00	Athletics	Donald W. Pyle '80 Student-Athlete Success Fund
Mrs. Janet A. Leath ('81/ANR) and Steven Leath, Ph.D. ('81/ANR)	\$ 125,000.00	Agriculture and Natural Resources	Steve and Janet Leath UDBG Internship Fund
May Leasure Trust (TC)	\$ 122,727.93	University Wide	May Leasure Trust
Alice M. Van De Voort Trust (TC)	\$ 111,538.99	University Wide	Alice M. Van De Voort Trust
Mr. John R. Craft ('88/BE) and Mrs. Susan L. Craft (PP)	\$ 105,000.00	Business and Economics; University Wide	John R. Craft '88 and Susan L. Craft Scholarship; Horn Entrepreneurship

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Raymond W. Kirkbride Memorial Trust (TC)	\$ 104,751.41	Morris Library	Raymond W. Kirkbride Memorial Trust
Cisco Systems, Inc. (CP)	\$ 104,000.00	Engineering	Dr. Leonard Cimini Jr.'s Research for Smart Scheduling and Coexistence in Next Generation Heterogeneous Wireless Networks
Mr. B. Vance Carmean, Jr. ('62/ANR) and Mrs. Kathleen H. Carmean ('64/HS)	\$ 102,476.00	Agriculture and Natural Resources	Worrilow Hall Renovation
DE Council on Economic Education (OO)	\$ 101,698.81	Business and Economics	Center for Economic Education and Entrepreneurship
Discover Financial Services, Inc. (CP)	\$ 100,000.00	University Wide	Small Business Development Center
Mr. Peter J. Fitzpatrick (CA) and Mrs. Marie E. Fitzpatrick (PP)	\$ 100,000.00	Morris Library	University Museums
Thomas K. Gaisser, Ph.D. (XF) and Julia H. Gaisser, Ph.D. (FR)	\$ 103,784.00	Arts and Sciences	Bartol Research Institute Research Scholar Support Fund
Mr. William G. Mavity ('72/EG) and Mrs. Linda Mavity (FR)	\$ 100,000.00	Engineering	William G. Mavity CGA
Stanley I. Sandler, Ph.D. (RF) and Ellen I. Pifer, Ph.D. (XF)	\$ 100,000.00	Engineering	Stanley I. Sandler Chemical Engineering Scholarship
Jerome Spivack, M.D. ('57/AS) and Mrs. Stefanie K. Spivack ('58/EHD)	\$ 100,000.00	Earth, Ocean and Environment	Klahr-Spivack Family Environmental Field Experience Fund

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Mrs. B. Wells Willis ('71/ANR) and Mr. David A. Willis ('71/BE)	\$ 100,000.00	Agriculture and Natural Resources	David A. Willis `71 and B. Wells Willis `71 Health Specialist Program; David A. Willis `71 and B. Wells Willis `71 Undergraduate Research Experiences
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby expresses its sincere gratitude for the generosity of these donors.			

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APPENDIX B

FACULTY PERSONNEL ACTIONS

1. [Named Professorships](#)

The following individuals are recommended for named professorships:

Name	Title and Department
Rebecca Davis	Miller Family Endowed Early Career Professorship
Alison Parker	Robert H. and Lydia H. Richards Chair of History
George Parsons	Unidel E. I. du Pont Professor of Marine Biochemistry and Biophysics
Kristen Poole	Ned B. Allen Professor of English

2. [Faculty Emeriti](#)

The following individuals are recommended for emeritus status:

Name	Title	Department
Frederick Adams	Professor Emeritus	Linguistics and Cognitive Science
Stephen Barr	Professor of Physics and Astronomy Emeritus	Physics and Astronomy
David Colton	Professor Emeritus	Mathematical Sciences
Carol Henderson	Professor Emerita	Africana Studies and English
James Mulligan	Professor Emeritus	Economics

Steven Peuquet	Associate Professor Emeritus	Joseph R. Biden, Jr. School of Public Policy and Administration
James Richards	Distinguished Professor of Health and Nursing Sciences Emeritus	Kinesiology and Applied Physiology
Peter Roe	Professor Emeritus of Anthropology	Anthropology
George W. Watson	Unidel Professor of Physics and Astronomy	Physics and Astronomy

3. Promotions and Tenure

- a. The following individuals are recommended for promotion from Associate Professor to Professor (all were granted tenure previously), effective September 1, 2020.

Name	Department
Thomas Rocek	Anthropology
David Brinley	Art and Design
Robyn Phillips-Pendleton	Art and Design
Deni Galileo	Biological Sciences
Salil Lachke	Biological Sciences
Joel Rosenthal	Chemistry and Biochemistry
Scott Caplan	Communication
Iain Crawford	English
Owen White	History
Rena Hallam	Human Development and Family Sciences
Joseph Trainor	Joseph R. Biden, Jr. School of Public Policy and Administration
Persephone Braham	Languages, Literatures and Cultures
Robin Andreasen	Linguistics and Cognitive Science
LaShanda Korley	Materials Science and Engineering
Keith Schneider	Psychological and Brain Sciences
Tania Roth	Psychological and Brain Sciences
Steven Amendum	School of Education
Arthur Trembanis	School of Marine Science and Policy
Matthew Oliver	School of Marine Science and Policy

James Allen Anderson	School of Music
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b. The following individuals are recommended for promotion from Associate Professor to Professor, without tenure, effective September 1, 2020.

Name	Department
Anne Colwell	Associate in Arts Program
James Keegan	Associate in Arts Program
Christine Cucciarre	English
Christopher Penna	English
Jill Flynn	English
Riccarda Saggese	Languages, Literatures and Cultures
Eileen Grycky	School of Music

c. The following individuals are recommended for promotion from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, with tenure, effective September 1, 2020.

Name	Department
Shanshan Ding	Applied Economics and Statistics
Jocelyn Alcántara-García	Art Conservation
Jennifer Van Horn	Art History
Michael Mackenzie	Behavioral Health and Nutrition
Sheau Ching Chai	Behavioral Health and Nutrition
Ramona Neunuebel	Biological Sciences
Shuo Wei	Biological Sciences
Emily Day	Biomedical Engineering
Jason Gleghorn	Biomedical Engineering
John Slater	Biomedical Engineering
Rui Zhang	Computer and Information Sciences
Ann Aviles	Human Development and Family Sciences
Valerie Earnshaw	Human Development and Family Sciences
Nina David	Joseph R. Biden, Jr. School of Public Policy and Administration
Christopher Kloxin	Materials Science and Engineering
Stephanie Law	Materials Science and Engineering
Douglas Rizzolo	Mathematical Sciences
Guoquan Huang	Mechanical Engineering

Joseph Kuehl	Mechanical Engineering
Noel Swanson	Philosophy
Daniel White	Physical Therapy
Michele Lobo	Physical Therapy
Veronique Petit	Physics and Astronomy
Dayan Knox	Psychological and Brain Sciences
Joshua Wilson	School of Education
Christopher Nichols	School of Music
Isai Jess Muñoz	School of Music
Jennifer Saylor	School of Nursing

d. The following individuals are recommended for promotion to Associate Professor without tenure, effective September 1, 2020.

Name	Department
D. Chanele Moore	Associate in Arts Program
Oyenike Olabisi	Biological Sciences
Earl Lee, II	Civil and Environmental Engineering
Lydia Timmins	Communication
John Jebb	English
Meghan McInnis-Dominguez	Languages, Literatures and Cultures
Joanna York	School of Marine Science and Policy
Jennifer Graber	School of Nursing

e. The following individuals are recommended for tenure, effective September 1, 2020.

Name	Department
Michael Jung	Accounting and Management Information Systems
Nir Yehuda	Accounting and Management Information Systems
Richard Suminski, Jr.	Behavioral Health and Nutrition
Andreas Malikopoulos	Mechanical Engineering
Chiara Sabina	Women and Gender Studies