



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OCTOBER 19, 2017

KEENE STATE COLLEGE
YOUNG STUDENT CENTER
KEENE, NH

MEETING MINUTES

Trustee Participants: John Small, Chair, Joe Morone, Vice Chair, Kass Ardinger, Bob Baines, Amy Begg, Don Bix, Todd Black, Jamie Burnett, Ted Dey, Ricky Fife, Suzanne Foster, Adam Geddis, Cathy Green, Shawn Jasper, Todd Leach, Ken Moulton, Chris Pope, Mark Rubinstein, Morgan Rutman, Melinda Treadwell, Wally Stevens,

Guests: Rhonda Hensley, Governor's Office

Via Phone: Melinda Treadwell

Staff: Jim McGrail, Cathy Provencher, Ron Rodgers and Tia Miller

Call to Order

Chair Small called the meeting to order at 3:45 pm.

Minutes

Trustee Rutman moved, Trustee Black, seconded the following motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

VOTED, that the Executive Committee approve the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of August 17, 2017 as presented.

Legislative Update

Chancellor Leach highlighted some key legislative bills. The license plate decal bill was approved in the last legislative session for nonprofits to be able to create decals for license plates. UNH now has decals and Senator Kahn will sponsor a bill to allow GSC, KSC and PSU to also have decals but with the stipulation that revenue go toward scholarships.

A bill adding the Speaker and Senate President as permanent, voting trustees of the USNH Board. Pros and cons of voting were briefly discussed.

Chancellor Leach also provided a brief update regarding the Public Higher Education Study Committee work done with the Community College System of New Hampshire.

Campus Updates

President Rubinstein reported that Granite State College is working with New Hampshire Grocers Association and the New Hampshire Retailer's Association. It is an opportunity to build visibility and build on professional development, adding value in the State and for the University System of New Hampshire.

Provost Nancy Targett reported for UNH and highlighted three recent awards, AASHE STARS Platinum designation, held only by Colorado State, Stanford, and now UNH.

Global Consortium of Entrepreneurship Centers' (GCEC) annual conference, the University of New Hampshire's Peter T. Paul Entrepreneurship Center (ECenter) won the "2017 Outstanding Emerging Entrepreneurship Center Award." The award honors an outstanding new entrepreneurship center that is five years old or less. The ECenter opened January 2016.

UNH Designated an Innovation and Economic Prosperity University by the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU) and its Commission on Innovation, Competitiveness, and Economic Prosperity (CICEP).

Interim President Treadwell reported that KSC was rated #1 in employability for their graduates. The USNH team has been very supportive and helpful. The KSC Team and campus are working very hard and have achieved the board approved budget. Focus is on enrollment stabilization and enrollment realignment.

KSC recently held event to recognize KEA donors and student recipients. About 20% of current student population receive scholarship awards through KEA, in the past three years, new gift commitments have increased by \$3M and by nearly 100 donors, the number of scholarship accounts that KEA was able to distribute funds from increased by 30 percent and the value of annual scholarship dollars distributed over the past three years has increased by 23 percent.

President Birx reported that they have a winning football team. Things are going well and the biggest challenge is retention. PSU is currently reworking the student affairs areas, starting phase two of the URSA process, and currently searching for the Vice President of Finance and a Provost, both are going well.

Nursing Updates

KSC has been given a probationary extension of one year and PSU just met with the State Board today.

Discussion was held that any licensure program should have clear expectations for program and student pass rates.

UNH Presidential Search

Chair Small reported that the Search Committee completed 29 listening sessions. Isaacson, Miller took all of the information gathered and created the Opportunity and Challenge Profile. Seeking approval on the language, photos will be inserted once approved. The first ad will be placed in the Chronicle of Higher Education.

Trustee Dey moved the following motion, Trustee Rutman seconded the motion, a vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

VOTED, the Board of Trustees Executive Committee hereby approve the Opportunity & Challenge Profile for the UNH Presidential Search as drafted by the Search Consultants, Isaacson, Miller and the UNH Presidential Search Committee.

Speaker Jasper raised a couple of legislative issues to be aware of, one is the speaker and president would be voting members, and a bill to make the University System a political subdivision.

This was briefly discussed and Ron Rodgers reported that they had met with Representative Stone regarding bill.

Nonpublic Session

Trustee Dey moved the following motion to go into nonpublic session at 5:09 pm, Trustee Rutman seconded the motion. Roll call vote by show of hands was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

VOTED, that the Executive Committee go into nonpublic session for the purpose of discussing matters relating to strategy or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining as authorized by RSA 91-A:2, I (a).

At 5:22 pm the Executive Committee, on motion made and seconded, voted to come out of nonpublic session.

There were no votes or actions taken in nonpublic session.

The following motion was moved by Trustee Rutman, seconded by Trustee Dey, a vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion to Recommend Ratification of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Keene State College and the KSC Campus Safety Unit (Chauffeurs, Teamsters & Helpers Local Union 633)

MOVED, on recommendation of the Chancellor and Interim President of Keene State College and in recognition that the negotiated term relating to safety vests was proposed by the union, the Executive Committee hereby approves the proposed collective bargaining agreement with the Chauffeurs, Teamsters & Helpers Local Union 633, AND FURTHER, hereby recommends ratification of said collective bargaining agreement by the Board of Trustees.

Speaker Jasper noted that there is also a bill which would make negotiations public as they are ongoing.

Adjourn

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.