



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**MAY 11, 2018**

**SYSTEM OFFICE**

**CONFERENCE CALL**

**5 CHENELL DR., SUITE 301**

**CONCORD, NH**

**MEETING MINUTES**

Trustee Participants via Conference Call: John Small, Chair, Joe Morone, Vice Chair, Amy Begg, Secretary, Kass Ardinger, Don Birx, Todd Black, Jamie Burnett, Ted Dey, Jackie Eastood, Cathy Green, Mark Huddleston, Scott Mason, Joe Morone, Ken Moulton, Chris Pope, Mark Rubinstein, Morgan Rutman, Melinda Treadwell

Trustee Participants: James Gray, Shawn Jasper, Todd Leach

Staff: Jim McGrail and Tia Miller

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**Call to Order**

Chair Small called the meeting to order at 11:00 am acknowledging presence of quorum.

Chair Small stated the reason to have special meeting and for it to be conducted via conference call.

Under the NH Right to Know Law, RSA 91-a:2, III (b), a governmental body such as this Executive Committee is authorized to meet by conference call when “immediate action is imperative and the physical presence of a quorum is not reasonably practical within the period of time requiring action.” In consultation with USNH General Counsel, it is my determination that a meeting by conference call is justified on the basis of the following facts:

- The individual members of this committee live and work in locations remote to any single meeting place;

- The committee's next regularly scheduled meeting is May 24, 2018;
- The committee members were polled to determine their availability for a physical meeting on the morning of May 11, 2018, at the System Office in Concord; a majority of members were not able attend;
- Given the members' various work and vacation schedules it is not reasonably practical to gather a quorum of the committee members in a single place for a physical meeting;
- The opportunity that will be considered at this meeting developed only very recently and there is reason to believe it may not be available indefinitely; and
- The interests of UNH and USNH will be best served by the committee's expeditious consideration of the opportunity presented and, if acceptable, the committee's approval of the proposal as expeditiously as possible.

Trustee Jasper stated that he did not feel that the reason established an emergency meeting and did not feel that there was adequate opportunity to establish a physical quorum.

A brief discussion was held regarding ramifications if any to proceed with meeting.

### Nonpublic Session

Chair Small moved the following motion to go into nonpublic session at 11:10 am, Trustee Rutman seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

*MOVED, that the Executive Committee go into non-public session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters including the hiring and compensation of public employees, as authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II, (a) and (b).*

At 11:34 am the Executive Committee, on motion made and seconded, voted to come out of nonpublic session.

The following motion was moved by Chair Small, seconded by Trustee Dey, roll call vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

*VOTED, on recommendation of Mark Huddleston, President of the University of New Hampshire, with endorsement of the Compensation Committee, that the Executive Committee*

*hereby recommend the approval of the appointment of Dr. Wayne Jones, to the position of Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at the University of New Hampshire, contingent upon his acceptance of the appointment, under the terms outlined below.*

President Huddleston announced that UNH became the 40<sup>th</sup> institution to earn a “green light” rating from the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE).

**Adjourn**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 am.