

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF GOVERNORS

May 10, 2018

The one hundred fifty ninth meeting of the West Virginia University Board of Governors, (called as an Emergency Meeting) was held on May 10, 2018 in Morgantown, WV. Board members in attendance, participating by telephone included Marty Becker, Elmer Coppoolse, Thomas Flaherty, Thomas Heywood, Dr. Stanley Hileman, Blake Humphrey, J. Thomas Jones, Taunja Willis Miller, Ed Robinson, Benjamin Statler, and William Wilmoth. Board members, David Alvarez, Lisa Martin, J. Robert (J. R.) Rogers, Dr. Matthew Valenti, and Dr. Kimberly Weaver were absent and excused.

WVU officers, divisional campus officers, representatives (and others) present included:

President, E. Gordon Gee;
Vice President for Strategic Initiatives, Rob Alsop;
General Counsel, Stephanie Taylor;
Provost, Joyce McConnell;
Vice Provost, John Campbell;
Vice President for University Relations, Sharon Martin;
Executive Officer and Assistant Board Secretary, Jennifer Fisher; and
Special Assistant to the Board of Governors, Valerie Lopez.

Members of the Press were also present.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, William Wilmoth, at 3:31 p.m. A roll call was taken to determine who was in attendance and a quorum established.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Wilmoth stated that the facts and circumstances surrounding the emergency are that West Virginia University has become aware of an emerging opportunity for a University initiative. Importantly, due to the time frame proposed to execute this initiative, West Virginia University has a limited time period to consider such matters. Therefore, because of these unique circumstances, it is critical for the West Virginia University Board of Governors to promptly meet to discuss these issues. Whereupon, Chairman Wilmoth requested that the Board go into Executive Session, under authority in West Virginia Code §6-9A-4(b)(12), to discuss legal matters. The motion was made by Thomas Flaherty, seconded by Elmer Coppoolse, and passed. Following the conclusion of Executive Session, Benjamin Statler moved that the Board rise from Executive Session. This motion was seconded by Taunja Willis Miller, and passed.

DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS EMANATING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Wilmoth stated that there were no actions emanating from today's Executive Session discussions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Taunja Willis Miller moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Marty Becker, and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Taunja Willis Miller, Secretary