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Mayrai Gindy Faculty Representative

Christopher Bove '23 Student Representative The University of Rhode Island
Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday, June 26, 2020 9:00 a.m.
45 Upper College Rd. Kingston, RI 02881

PURSUANT TO GOVERNOR RAIMONDO'S EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-46, THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIRTUALLY USING THE WEBEX PLATFORM (BOARD MEMBERS ONLY) AND FACEBOOK LIVE (PUBLIC VIEWING).

### **MINUTES**

Chair Cook welcomed the members of The University of Rhode Island (URI) Board of Trustees and acknowledged that a quorum was present. Chair Cook called this meeting to order at 9:16 a.m.

Attendees present for this virtual meeting:

The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees voting members:

- Ms. Margo Cook, Chair
- Dr. Karina Montilla Edmonds (remote)
- Mr. Michael D. Fascitelli
- Honorable Charles J. Fogarty
- Ms. Christine M. Heenan
- Mr. Richard S. Humphrey (joined at 9:30 a.m.)
- Mr. Matthew D. Lenz
- Mr. Roby Luna (remote-joined meeting at 9:19 a.m.)
- Mr. David J. Martirano
- Mr. Michael F. McNally, Vice Chair
- Mr. Vahid Ownjazayeri
- Mrs. Susan Carson Petrovas (remote)
- Ms. Jay Placencia
- Ms. Cecilia Rouse (remote)
- Mr. Thomas M. Ryan
- Mr. Armand E. Sabitoni (remote)

The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees ex officio members:

- Mr. Tim DelGiudice—Chair, Council on Postsecondary Education
- Ms. Barbara Cottam—Chair, Board of Education
- Mr. Christopher Bove—Student Representative
- Dr. Mayrai Gindy— Faculty Representative

The University of Rhode Island Staff

- President David M. Dooley
- Mr. Louis J. Saccoccio, General Counsel
- Ms. Michelle Curreri, Chief of Staff
- Ms. Anne Marie Coleman, Vice President for Human Resources
- Dean Libutti, Vice Provost for Enrollment Management
- Mr. Ryan Carrillo, Director, Planning & Real Estate Development
- Mr. Karl Calvo, Assistant Vice President, Facilities

### 1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

Chair Cook called for a motion that the URI Board of Trustees accept the agenda for the meeting of June 26, 2020.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Ryan and seconded by Mr. Humphrey, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

accept the agenda for the meeting of June 26, 2020.

VOTE: 16 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Jr., Christine M. Heenan, Richard S. Humphrey, Matthew D. Lenz,

Roby Luna, David J. Martirano, Michael F.

McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan Petrovas, Jay Placencia, Cecilia Rouse, Thomas M. Ryan, and

Armand E. Sabitoni

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

### 2. ETHICS TRAINING

Lynne M. Radiches, Staff Attorney and Education Coordinator from the Rhode Island Ethics Commission, gave a presentation entitled, <a href="Ethics Training"><u>Ethics Training</u></a>.

### 3. OVERVIEW OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

Executive Director for External Relations and Communications, Kelly Mahoney, gave a presentation entitled Overview of Government Relations and Communications for The University of Rhode Island.

### 4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chair Cook called for a motion that the URI Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board that took place on June 10, 2020.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Martirano and seconded by Mr. Humphrey, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board that took place on

June 10, 2020.

VOTE: 16 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Richard S. Humphrey, Matthew D. Lenz,

Roby Luna, David J. Martirano, Michael F.

McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan Petrovas, Jay Placencia, Cecilia Rouse, Thomas M. Ryan, and

Armand E. Sabitoni

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

### 5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Cook called for a motion that The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees convene into Executive Session to discuss the following:

# a. Discussion regarding collective bargaining pursuant to RIGL 42-46--5(a)(2) with the following:

- 1. American Association of University Professors
- 2. Professional Staff Association/National Education Association
- 3. Professional, Technical, Administrative Association (Council 94)
- 4. Marine Professional Association (Council 94)

b. Discussion Regarding President David M. Dooley's Contract Renewal (or Negotiation), Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1)

It was noted for the record that President Dooley was provided prior written notice that his contract renewal (or negotiation) would be discussed in executive session and that he could require that discussion be held during the open session of the meeting and that he has stated that he has no objection that the discussion take place in executive session.

c. Discussion regarding pending litigation - Logan Thomson, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated, v. Board of Trustees of the University of Rhode Island, R.I. Superior Court (WC-2020-0209) pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2).

On a motion duly made by Mr. Humphrey and seconded by Ms. Placencia, it was

VOTED: THAT

The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees enter into Executive Session for the meeting of June 26, 2020 to discuss the following items:

- 1. Discussion regarding collective bargaining pursuant to RIGL 42-46--5(a)(2) with the following:
  - 1. American Association of University Professors
  - 2. Professional Staff Association/National Education Association
  - 3. Professional, Technical, Administrative Association (Council 94)
  - 4. Marine Professional Association (Council 94)
- b. Discussion Regarding President David M.
   Dooley's Contract Renewal (or Negotiation),
   Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1)
- c. Discussion regarding pending litigation Logan Thomson, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated, v. Board of Trustees of the University of Rhode Island, R.I. Superior Court (WC-2020-0209) pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2).

VOTE: 16 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M.

Heenan, Richard S. Humphrey, Matthew D. Lenz, Roby Luna, David J. Martirano, Michael F. McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan Petrovas, Jay Placencia, Cecilia Rouse, Thomas M. Ryan, and Armand E. Sabitoni

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

The Board entered into Executive Session at 10:53 a.m. The following University staff members were present:

- Mr. Louis J. Saccoccio, General Counsel
- Ms. Michelle Curreri, Chief of Staff
- Ms. Anne Marie Coleman, Vice President for Human Resources
- Dean Libutti, Vice Provost for Enrollment Management

Executive Session ended at 1:23 p.m. and Open Session was reconvened.

Chair Cook called for a motion that The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees seal the minutes of the Executive Session that took place on June 26, 2020.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Humphrey and seconded by Mr. Martirano, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

seal the minutes of the Executive Session meeting that took place

on June 26, 2020.

VOTE: 15 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative. 1 member was absent from the vote.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Richard S. Humphrey, Matthew D. Lenz,

Roby Luna, David J. Martirano, Michael F.

McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Jay Placencia, Cecilia Rouse,

Thomas M. Ryan, and Armand E. Sabitoni

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

ABSENT: Susan Petrovas

### 6. EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION ITEMS

- a. Ratification of the Contract Extensions for:
  - 1. American Association of University Professors

Chair Cook called for a motion that The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees approve and ratify the contract extensions for the American Association of University Professors as recommended and presented in Executive Session.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Fogarty and seconded by Ms. Heenan, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve and ratify the contract extension for the American Association of University Professors as recommended and presented in Executive Session.

VOTE: 16 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Richard S. Humphrey, Matthew D. Lenz,

Roby Luna, David J. Martirano, Michael F.

McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan Petrovas, Jay Placencia, Cecilia Rouse, Thomas M. Ryan, and Armand E. Sabitoni

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

## b. Approval of President David M. Dooley's Contract Renewal (or Negotiation), Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1).

Chair Cook called for a motion that The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees approve President David M. Dooley's Contract Renewal as recommended and presented in executive session and authorize the Board Chair to execute the contract for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

On a motion duly made by Ms. Placencia and seconded by Mr. Fascitelli, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve President David M. Dooley's Contract Renewal as recommended and presented in executive session and authorize the Board Chair to execute the contract for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

VOTE: 15 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative. 1 member was absent from the vote.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Richard S. Humphrey, Matthew D. Lenz,

Roby Luna, David J. Martirano, Michael F.

McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan Petrovas, Jay Placencia,

Cecilia Rouse, and Thomas M. Ryan

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

ABSENT: Armand E. Sabitoni

### 7. REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chair Cook commended URI for their successful transition to an online method of learning. She also praised URI for their excellent decision making throughout the pandemic. Chair Cook asked that the Board convene during the week of June 29, 2020 via WebEx to discuss reopening plans for Fall 2020.

Vice Chair McNally said this decision to open the campus happened backwards. He would like the Board to be able to weigh in on future decisions and asked that the Board be informed ahead of time before major decisions are announced in the future. Furthermore, the Board should have the authority to ratify the predetermined decisions at their discretion. Chair Cook acknowledged that the Board and President will need to address the delegation of authority.

Chair Cook informed the Board that there have been ongoing discussions about the budget. She mentioned there are a few factors that will impact the University's budget:

- The federal level of funding
- The state's budget deficit
- Uncertain enrollment
- COVID 19 costs

Chair Cook concluded her report by letting the Board know that they will be kept informed about the budget as new information becomes available.

### 8. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

a. Notice of New Academic Program and/or Changes that were Reviewed for Notification to the Board

# Bill #19-20-31: Professional Master of Science in Supply Chain Management and Applied Analytics

Provost Don DeHayes shared a few comments about this new major. It is unique because it will educate students in the sciences while preparing them to work in the business sector. This degree program includes business courses, communication courses, and a business internship component. There is a STEM focus in this program as well. Mr. Ownjazayeri stated it seems like an excellent program, as there is an observed gap in this arena in the current workforce.

Dr. Gindy asked if the Board approves new programs, or if it is the practice to simply notify the Board. Chair Cook explained that under the URI Board Bylaws, the Board will have to approve new programs that use significant monetary resources from URI or result in a material change. However, this will not be every program because it does not allow for movement from the University and will slow down the process of new majors. Ms. Rouse suggested using the Academic Affairs committee to work alongside the University staff as they develop new programs for feedback and guidance. Chair Cook agreed and commented that the next steps of the Board are determined by what occurs at the committee level versus the full Board level.

### b. Brief Fall 2020 Overview

President Dooley shared that URI was purposeful in their decision-making process regarding Fall 2020 reopening. The University conducted a thorough review of all possible reopening plans. President Dooley stated that every decision was informed by CDC guidelines, the RI Department of Health, and on-campus health officials. Deans, Faculty Senate, and Senior Leadership were heavily involved in these discussions and analyses as well. Specifically, Qualitative Risk Analysis was used in this process. Students' and families' opinions were heavily considered because the consensus was a strong desire to be back on campus rather than fully online. This opinion was seen in national surveys across the country.

The University is currently planning to open the campus. There will not be as many students living on campus as was traditionally seen in the past to reduce the risk of virus transmission.

URI pivoted and offered all summer sessions online, and it has been the highest summer enrollment ever recorded to date. This summer, URI is investing in classroom technology to create the best teaching and learning environments for those classes offered remotely.

President Dooley shared that all of these plans are being discussed with an unknown budget. The state is in a financial deficit, and it has impacted URI. Another goal of URI is to keep its workforce

in place; but moving forward, this will depend on the monetary decisions from the federal government and state monies.

Mr. Ryan asked what the reduction in students on campus will be. Dooley shared 6,000-6,500 students were generally on campus in the past. Now under COVID there will be 4,000 students. Revenue hits will be large, but numbers are uncertain at this time. As far as housing, first priority will be given to all incoming freshmen. Next, returning out-of-state students will be given priority. Finally, transfer students and those requiring special accommodations will be given consideration. There is also an appeal process in place for students with special circumstances that might need an on-campus assignment.

Mr. Bove shared a summary of concerns from over 300 students. Ninety percent expressed concerns with the University's fall housing plan. Some have expressed they will need to drop out or take a leave of absence. Students are concerned, scared, and angry that this decision was made behind closed doors. The Student Senate feels this will disproportionately affect students of color or those with economic hardship. Mr. Bove concluded by asking how URI was taking steps to address these concerns.

President Dooley said this decision will ultimately impact many. Furthermore, he shared it would be irresponsible to have three students in a room; it is simply unacceptable and would not be a good decision for the well-being of the students. However, URI felt it was important to offer the option of being on campus instead of offering no on-campus housing. It is critical for first-year students to be on campus for several reasons. They need to feel welcomed, oriented, and ready to pursue their academic endeavors. Finally, President Dooley stated that URI will work with those students who are impacted negatively by this decision to assist in any way. Overall, the decisions were made with risks assessments in place. This is not going to be Fall 2019; it will be different due to the pandemic.

President Dooley concluded his report by sharing that there is a customer service phone line for housing and directed all students to this line.

### 9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

## 1. Briefing on the new Title IX Regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Education on May 6, 2020

Abigail Rider, Vice President for Administration and Finance and Louis J. Saccoccio, General Counsel gave a presentation entitled *Briefing on the new Title IX Regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Education on May 6*, 2020.

Mr. Ryan commented that the University should follow the updated Title IX policy, but the culture of the University must be considered when drafting a separate University policy. Chair Cook concluded the discussion by stating the University must still be aware of the culture they want to create under the new Title IX policy.

### b. Functional Resources Available for The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

Michelle Curreri, chief of staff, introduced the Board to the functional resources available to them. She pointed out that the Associate Secretary position is a planned resource who will support the Committees. This position will model the University of Delaware.

Mr. Ryan asked if Ms. Curreri could distribute contact information to all Board members. Ms. Curreri shared that preferred contact information from each member will be requested, and a confidential list would be distributed.

Ms. Curreri informed the board that the BoardEffect portal will be implemented sometime this fall.

Chair Cook informed the Board that at the September 10-11, 2020 board meeting, the Board Secretary position will be voted on.

### 10. ACTION ITEMS

### 1. Approval of Bylaws for the University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

Chair Cook stated that the Association of Governing Board (AGB) was consulted to create the bylaws, which define the roles and responsibilities of the Board.

Chair Cook also shared that after the bylaws are approved, Vice Chair McNally will meet with Committee Chairs to address the delegated authority and scope of work for each committee.

Mr. Ryan asked for a one-page summary of the Open Meetings Act so the Committee Chairs can make sure they are in compliance with the Act when committees convene.

Mr. Ryan mentioned that some of the committees are more heavy lifting in University work than others. He suggested that there should be a minimum amount of times that committees must meet in order to address the difference in workload between the six committees. Chair Cook said she would like to be silent on this for a year and then it can be readdressed in a year after the Board has established a cadence and protocol.

Dr. Gindy shared her concerns surrounding the phrase "have consulted" found under Article 1.2(i). She felt that this clause left the door open to consult with faculty bodies, but it does not necessarily mean the President will have to gain approval from them. Chair Cook stated that the intention of language was for the President to have consulted with appropriate parties and gained appropriate approval(s) before bringing new academic programs to the Board.

Dr. Gindy also shared her concerns around Article 3.7 regarding who has the authority to request a meeting. She wondered if ex officio members are able to bring matters to the Board for voting. Chair Cook shared that any Board member can bring matters to the Board for discussion and voting purposes. If ex officio members are not able to participate in this role, then the ex officio members have no power.

Mr. Bove raised his concern about the conflict of interest section located in Article 2.9. He asked if the word "possibly" could be removed from the following sentence: "No member of the Board (with the exception of the non-voting faculty member and possibly the student member) shall be employed in any position under the jurisdiction of the Board, nor contract in any manner for any purpose with the Board or the University." Mr. Bove currently works for the University as a tour guide and other students in the future may have work study. This is currently problematic and could remain so in the future. Chair Cook and Mr. Saccoccio agreed to strike the word "possibly" from this section of the bylaws.

Dr. Gindy commented on some of the language found in Article 4.2. She mentioned that the bylaws read, "The terms of office shall be three years." She asked if this precludes the special terms appointed by the Governor, such as the one-year and two-year terms. Furthermore, she expressed concerns about the following sentence as well: "All officers of the Board shall hold office until their respective successors are elected and qualified." She asked if this means members stay on until their replacement even past their currently appointed term by the Governor.

Vice Chair McNally shared that the intent of this language was to create a staggering effect on the Board. The expiring members would remain until a newly appointed trustee is in place. Mr. Ownjazayeri agreed that the language was vague and needed further explanation.

Dr. Gindy asked if future Board appointments will become exclusively three-year appointments once the initial appointed terms of current Board members expire. Chair Cook responded that the appointments moving forward will follow the current statute, which includes one, two, and three-year terms.

Mr. Ryan mentioned the bylaws are not clear on the process moving forward with appointing new trustees. He asked for clarity regarding the nomination process. Ms. Rouse mentioned section 2.5 loosely defines the nomination process. Chair Cook acknowledged there were some holes that it will be addressed.

Mr. Fascitelli recommended the clause "or until a duly appointed successor is elected" be added to the statement: "The terms of office shall be three years. "found under Article 4.2 in the bylaws. Chair Cook agreed to the language, and the bylaws were amended to reflect this change.

Chair Cook ended this discussion by summarizing the changes. First, Article 1.2(i) was amended to read:

Approve the creation or termination of new academic majors and the creation, consolidation or termination of academic departments, schools and colleges based on the recommendations of the President who shall have followed the appropriate University process.

Next, the word "possibly" was struck from Article 2.9.

Finally, Article 4.2 was amended to read:

A majority of the members of the Board shall elect the chair of the Board (the "chair") in accordance with RIGL Section 16-32-2.2(c) from among the voting members of the Board. In addition, the members of the Board shall elect a vice chair. The terms of office shall be three years or until a duly appointed successor is elected.

Chair Cook called for a motion that The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees approve the Bylaws as recommended.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Lenz and seconded by Mr. Ownjazayeri, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve the By-Laws as recommended and

corrected in **Enclosure 10a**.

VOTE: 14 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative. 2 members were absent from the vote.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Matthew D. Lenz, Roby Luna, David J.

Martirano, Michael F. McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan Petrovas, Jay Placencia, Cecilia Rouse, and Thomas M. Ryan

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

ABSENT: Richard Humphrey and Armand E. Sabitoni

### b. Approval of the Charters for Committees

Chair Cook mentioned that this process began by comparing public universities to see the committees they had in place. Chair Cook said the scope of work for some of URI's Committees is large and far reaching. Therefore, it may be necessary to split them over time.

Furthermore, the intention of the Executive Committee is for this committee to act in matters of emergency. The commitment is that the Executive Committee does act, then reports to the full Board immediately. They will also review compensation and performance of the President. This committee is intended to be fairly constrained, as not to have a mini-Board within a larger Board. Finally, Chair Cook commented that the Committee Chairs will select their Vice Chairs.

Chair Cook called for a motion that The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees approve the charters for the Board committees as recommended and presented.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Fascitelli and seconded by Mr. Martirano, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve the charters for the Board committees as recommended

and presented in **Enclosure 10b**.

VOTE: 14 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative. 2 members were absent from the vote.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Matthew D. Lenz, Roby Luna, David J.

Martirano, Michael F. McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan Petrovas, Jay Placencia, Cecilia Rouse, and Thomas M. Ryan

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

ABSENT: Richard Humphrey and Armand E. Sabitoni

### c. Delegation of Authority to the President - Relating to Land and Property

Chair Cook called for a motion that the URI Board of Trustees approve the Delegation of Authority to the President - Relating to Land and Property as specifically set forth in **Enclosure 10c** in its entirety and as recommended and presented.

The motion was made and seconded and following a discussion on the motion, a Motion to amend Enclosure 10c was made by Mr. Fascitelli and seconded by Mr. Lenz that the delegation of authority does not include "any lease, license or facility use agreement with an initial period greater than five (5) years and lease payments not to exceed \$1 million dollars over the five (5) year period."

The Motion to Amend Enclosure 10c having been made and seconded, it was:

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees approve

the Motion to Amend Enclosure 10c as made and seconded.

VOTE 13 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted

in the negative. 2 members were absent from the vote

YEAS Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Matthew D. Lenz, Roby Luna, David J.

Martirano, Michael F. McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan

Petrovas, Jay Placencia, and Thomas M. Ryan

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

ABSENT: Richard Humphrey, Cecilia Rouse, and Armand E. Sabitoni

Chair Cook then called for a motion that the URI Board of Trustees approve the Delegation of Authority to the President - Relating to Land and Property as specifically set forth in **Enclosure 10c** as amended, in its entirety and as recommended and presented.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Fogarty and seconded by Vice Chair McNally, it was:

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve the Delegation of Authority to the President - Relating to Land and property as specifically set forth in Enclosure 10c as amended, in its entirety and as recommended and presented.

VOTE: 13 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative. 3 members were absent from the vote.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Matthew D. Lenz, Roby Luna, David J.

Martirano, Michael F. McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan

Petrovas, Jay Placencia, and Thomas M. Ryan

NAYS: 0

**ABSTAINS: 0** 

ABSENT: Richard Humphrey, Cecilia Rouse, and Armand E.

Sabitoni

### d. Awarding of Tenure to Cheryl Wilga, Professor of Biological Sciences

Chair Cook asked for a motion that The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees approve the granting of tenure, effective July 1, 2020, to Cheryl Wilga, Professor of Biological Sciences who has met the requirements for tenure at the University of Rhode Island as recommended and presented.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Lenz and seconded by Mr. Ryan, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve the granting of tenure, effective July 1, 2020, to Cheryl

Wilga, Professor of Biological Sciences who has met the requirements for tenure at the University of Rhode Island as

recommended and presented.

VOTE: 13 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative. 3 members were absent from the vote.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Matthew D. Lenz, Roby Luna, David J.

Martirano, Michael F. McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan

Petrovas, Jay Placencia, and Thomas M. Ryan

NAYS: 0

**ABSTAINS: 0** 

ABSENT: Richard Humphrey, Cecilia Rouse, and Armand E.

Sabitoni

### e. Approval of Real Estate License Agreement with Tomaquag Indian Memorial Museum

Chair Cook asked for a motion that The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees approve the Real Estate License Agreement with the Tomaquag Indian Memorial Museum and authorize the Board Chair to execute the license agreement for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees as recommended and presented.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Ryan and seconded by Mr. Lenz, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve the Real Estate License Agreement with the Tomaquag Indian Memorial Museum and authorize the Board Chair to execute the license agreement for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees as recommended and presented.

VOTE: 13 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative. 3 members were absent from the vote.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Matthew D. Lenz, Roby Luna, David J.

Martirano, Michael F. McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan

Petrovas, Jay Placencia, and Thomas M. Ryan

NAYS: 0

**ABSTAINS: 0** 

ABSENT: Richard Humphrey, Cecilia Rouse, and Armand E.

Sabitoni

## f. Approval of Uniform Real Estate License Agreement with Beta Chapter of Delta Zeta Sorority House Corporation

Chair Cook asked for a motion that The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees approve the Uniform Real Estate License Agreement with the Beta Chapter of Delta Zeta Sorority House Corporation and authorize the Board Chair to execute the license agreement for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees as recommended and presented.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Martirano and seconded by Mr. Fascitelli, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve the Uniform Real Estate License Agreement with the Beta

Chapter of Delta Zeta

Sorority House Corporation and authorize the Board Chair to execute the license agreement for and on behalf of the Board of

Trustees as recommended and presented.

VOTE: 13 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative. 3 members were absent from the vote.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Matthew D. Lenz, Roby Luna, David J.

Martirano, Michael F. McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan

Petrovas, Jay Placencia, and Thomas M. Ryan

NAYS: 0

**ABSTAINS: 0** 

ABSENT: Richard Humphrey, Cecilia Rouse, and Armand E. Sabitoni

### g. Approval of a Lease for Office Space for the northern Rhode Island office of the Rhode Island Small Business Center

Chair Cook asked for a motion that The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees approve the Lease for Office Space for the northern Rhode Island office of the Rhode Island Small Business Center and authorize the Board Chair to execute the Lease for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees as recommended and presented.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Lenz and seconded by Ms. Placencia, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve the Lease for Office Space for the northern Rhode Island office of the Rhode Island Small Business Center and authorize the Board Chair to execute the Lease for and on behalf of the Board of

Trustees as recommended and presented.

VOTE: 13 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative. 3 members were absent from the vote.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Matthew D. Lenz, Roby Luna, David J.

Martirano, Michael F. McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan

Petrovas, Jay Placencia, and Thomas M. Ryan

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

ABSENT: Richard Humphrey, Cecilia Rouse, and Armand E.

Sabitoni

### h. Approval of Facilities Use Agreement with MindImmune Therapeutics, Inc.

Chair Cook asked for a motion that The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve the Facilities Use Agreement with MindImmune Therapeutics, Inc. and authorize the Board Chair to execute the Facilities Use Agreement for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees as recommended and presented.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Fogarty and seconded by Mr. Martirano, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve the Facilities Use Agreement with MindImmune Therapeutics, Inc. and authorize the Board Chair to execute the Facilities Use Agreement for and on behalf of the Board of

Trustees as recommended and presented.

VOTE: 12 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative. 3 members were absent from the vote. 1 member chose

to recuse himself from the vote.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Matthew D. Lenz, Roby Luna, David J.

Martirano, Michael F. McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan

Petrovas, and Jay Placencia

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: Thomas Ryan

ABSENT: Richard Humphrey, Cecilia Rouse, and Armand E.

Sabitoni

### i. Approval of a Parking Agreement with Schneider Electric IT Corporation

Chair Cook asked for a motion that The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees approve the Parking Agreement with Schneider Electric IT Corporation and authorize the Board Chair to execute the parking agreement for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees as recommended and presented.

On a motion duly made by Ms. Placencia and seconded by Mr. Lenz, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve the Parking Agreement with Schneider Electric IT

Corporation and authorize the Board Chair to execute the parking

agreement for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees as

recommended and presented.

VOTE: 13 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative. 3 members were absent from the vote.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Matthew D. Lenz, Roby Luna, David J.

Martirano, Michael F. McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan

Petrovas, Jay Placencia, and Thomas M. Ryan

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

ABSENT: Richard Humphrey, Cecilia Rouse, and Armand E.

Sabitoni

j. Approval of First Amendment to Communications Site License Agreement with Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (In discussion)

Chair Cook asked for a motion that The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees approve the First Amendment to Communications Site License Agreement with Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless and authorize the Board Chair to execute the First Amendment for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees as recommended and presented.

On a motion duly made by Ms. Placencia and seconded by Dr. Edmonds, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

approve the First Amendment to Communications Site License Agreement with Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless and authorize the Board Chair to execute the First Amendment for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees as recommended and presented.

VOTE: 13 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative. 3 members were absent from the vote.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Matthew D. Lenz, Roby Luna, David J.

Martirano, Michael F. McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan

Petrovas, Jay Placencia, and Thomas M. Ryan

NAYS: 0

**ABSTAINS: 0** 

ABSENT: Richard Humphrey, Cecilia Rouse, and Armand E. Sabitoni

### 11. ADJOURN

Chair Cook asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting of June 26, 2020.

On a motion duly made by Dr. Edmonds and seconded by Mr. Ryan, it was

VOTED: THAT The University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees

adjourn the meeting of June 26, 2020.

VOTE: 13 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the

negative. 3 members were absent from the vote.

YEAS: Margo L. Cook, Karina Montilla Edmonds, Michael

D. Fascitelli, Charles J. Fogarty, Christine M. Heenan, Matthew D. Lenz, Roby Luna, David J.

Martirano, Michael F. McNally, Vahid Ownjazayeri, Susan

Petrovas, Jay Placencia, and Thomas M. Ryan

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

ABSENT: Richard Humphrey, Cecilia Rouse, and Armand E.

Sabitoni

The meeting adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

### **UPCOMING MEETING**

The next University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled for September 10-11, 2020 at 9:00 am.