

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA
Atlanta, Georgia
September 9, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met on Tuesday, September 9, 2014, in the Board Room, 270 Washington Street S.W. in Atlanta, Georgia. The Chair of the Board, Regent Philip A. Wilheit, Sr., called the meeting to order at approximately 9:05 a.m. Present in addition to Chair Wilheit were Vice Chair Neil L. Pruitt, Jr., and Regents C. Dean Alford, W. P. Bowers, Lori Durden, Larry R. Ellis, Rutledge A. Griffin, Jr., C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr., James M. Hull, Donald M. Leebern, Jr., Sachin Sheilendra, E. Scott Smith, Kessel D. Stelling, Jr., Benjamin J. Tarbuton, Ilchard L. Tucker, T. Rogers Wu. The safety briefing

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Regent Stelling and seconded by Regent Walker, the minutes of the Board of Regents meeting held on August 20, 2014, were unanimously approved.

RECOGNITION OF SGA PRESIDENTS

At 9:09 a.m., Chair Wilheit recognized presidents from various student government associations in the University System. Chair Wilheit welcomed the SGA presidents to the meeting and thanked them for their efforts on behalf of the

Board.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: PERSONNEL & BENEFITS

The Committee on Personnel and Benefits, meeting as a committee of the whole, met on Tuesday September 9, 2014, at approximately 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room. Chair Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III, introduced Vice Chancellor Marion Fedrick, who presented to the committee on proposed changes to the Board of Regents healthcare benefits offering. A copy of Vice Chancellor Fedrick's presentation is on file and available for inspection in the Office of the Secretary to the Board. With motion properly made by Regent Alford and seconded by Regent Pruitt, the Board voted unanimously to adopt healthcare plan design changes attached hereto as Exhibit A, effective January 1, 2015. With motion properly made by Regent Alford and seconded by Regent Stelling, the Board also voted unanimously to adopt healthcare plan premium structure attached hereto as Exhibit B, also effective January 1, 2015. The committee meeting adjourned at approximately 10:32 a.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: FINANCE & BUSINESS OPERATIONS

The Committee on Finance and Business Operations, meeting as a committee of the whole, met on Tuesday September 9, 2014, at approximately 10:33 a.m. in the Board Room. Chair T. Rogers Wade recognized Vice Chancellor John Brown, who, along with Vice Chancellor Jim James, presented to the committee on the University System's Fiscal Year 2016 Operating and Capital Budget. A copy of Vice Chancellor Brown's presentation is on file and available for inspection in the Office of the Secretary to the Board. With motion properly made by Regent Tucker and unanimously seconded, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Fiscal Year 2016 Operating and Capital Budget as presented. The committee meeting adjourned at approximately 11:05 a.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Committee on Economic Development, meeting as a committee of the whole, met on Tuesday September 9, 2014, at approximately 1:35 p.m. in the Board Room. Chair C. Dean Alford and Vice Chancellor Mark Lytle made a joint presentation to the committee on the University System's economic development efforts, as envisioned in the Board's Strategic Plan. A copy of Chair Alford's and Vice Chancellor Lytle's presentation is on file and available for inspection in the Office of the Secretary to the Board. The committee meeting adjourned at approximately 1:50 p.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

The Committee on Academic Affairs, meeting as a committee of the whole, met on Tuesday September 9, 2014, at approximately 1:52 p.m. in the Board Room. Chair Larry R. Ellis introduced Executive Vice Chancellor Houston Davis, who presented to the committee on the University System's efforts to increase student accessibility to higher education through the expansion of the Board of Regents offerings. A copy of Dr. Davis' presentation is on file and available for inspection in the Office of the Secretary to the Board. Following the presentation, Chair Ellis read a proposed Board resolution which, by motion of Regent Tarbutton with second by Regent Wade, was unanimously adopted by the Board and is attached hereto as Exhibit C. The committee meeting adjourned at approximately 2:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: INTERNAL AUDIT, RISK, AND COMPLIANCE AND FINANCE AND BUSINESS OPERATIONS

The Committee on Internal Audit, Risk, and Compliance and the Committee on Finance and Business Operations, meeting jointly as a committee of the whole, met on Tuesday September 9, 2014, at approximately 2:01 p.m. in the Board Room. Chair E. Scott Smith introduced Vice Chancellor John Brown

and Associate Vice Chancellor John Fuchko, who discussed with the joint committee a proposed revision of the Board's policy regarding waivers of the differential between resident and non-resident tuition. A copy of the presentation is on file and available for inspection in the Office of the Secretary to the Board. Following

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION & LAW**

The Committee on Organization & Law met at approximately 11:36 on Tuesday, September 9, 2014, in

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & BUSINESS OPERATIONS**

The Committee on Finance and Business Operations of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 11:15 a.m. on Tuesday, September 9, 2014, in Room 7007 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington Street SW, Atlanta, Georgia. Committee Chair T. Rogers Wade called the meeting to order. Present in addition to Chair Wade,

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE & FACILITIES**

negotiations to proceed, and a contract to be executed with the top ranked firm. Should it not be possible to execute a contract with the top ranked firm, staff will then attempt to negotiate and execute a contract with the other listed firms in rank order.

Total Project Cost: \$20,500,000
Construction Cost (Stated Cost Limitation): \$15,620,000

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 11

Recommended firms in rank order:

1. Hussey, Gay, Bell & DeYoung International, Inc., Savannah
2. Lott + Barber, Savannah
3. The S/L/A/M Collaborative, Atlanta

8. The Board approved the ranking of the design professional firms listed below for project number J-239, Historic Beeson Hall Renovation, at Georgia College & State University, and authorized contract negotiations to proceed, and a contract to be executed with the top ranked firm. Should it not be possible to execute a contract with the top ranked firm, staff will then attempt to negotiate and execute a contract with the other listed firms in rank order.

Total Project Cost: \$11,100,000
Construction Cost (Stated Cost Limitation): \$8,100,000

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 29

Recommended firms in rank order:

1. May Architecture + Interiors, LLC, Atlanta
2. Lord Aeck Sargent, Inc., Atlanta
3. Cogdell & Mendrala Architects, P.C., Savannah
4. Surber Barber Choate & Hertlein Architects, P.C., Atlanta

9. The Board approved the ranking of the design professional firms listed below for project number J-239, Historic Beeson Hall Renovation, at Georgia College & State University, and authorized contract negotiations to proceed, and a contract to be executed with the top ranked firm. Should it not be possible to execute a contract with the top ranked firm, staff will then attempt to negotiate and execute a contract with the other listed firms in rank order.
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10. The Board approved the ranking of the design professional firms listed below for project number J-236, Military Science Building, at Georgia Southern University, and authorized contract negotiations to proceed, and a contract to be executed, with the ~~top~~ ranked firm. Should it not be possible to execute a contract with the ~~top~~ ranked firm, staff will then attempt to negotiate and execute a contract with the other listed firms in rank order.

Total Project Cost: \$9,500,000
Construction Cost (Stated Cost Limitation): \$7,250,000

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 17

Recommended firms in rank order:

1. Cogdell & Mendrala Architects, P.C., Savannah
2. Pond & Company, Atlanta
3. Cooper Carry, Inc., Atlanta

11. The Board approved the ranking of the design professional firms listed below for project number J-238, Academic Building, at Georgia Gwinnett College, and authorized contract negotiations to proceed, and a contract to be executed, with the ~~top~~ ranked firm. Should it not be possible to execute a contract with the ~~top~~ ranked firm, staff will then attempt to negotiate and execute a contract with the other listed firms in rank order.

Total Project Cost: \$14,000,000
Construction Cost (Stated Cost Limitation): \$10,750,000

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 17

Recommended firms in rank order:

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
COMMITTEE ON INTERNAL AUDIT, RISK & COMPLIANCE**

The Committee on Internal Audit, Risk and Compliance of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met at approximately 11:40 a.m. on Friday, September 9, 2014, Room 7007 of the Board's offices, 270 Washington Street SW, Atlanta, Georgia.

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Proposed Policy 7.3.4.1 Out-of-State Tuition Waivers

7.3.4.1 Out-of-State Tuition Waivers

An institution may award out-of-state tuition differential waivers and assess state tuition for certain non-Georgia residents under the conditions listed below. Notwithstanding any provision in this policy, no person who is unable to show by the required evidence that they are lawfully in the United States shall be eligible for any waiver of tuition differential (BoR Minutes, June 2010; October 2013). Institutions shall comply with the procedures governing the award of out-of-state tuition waivers as established by the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs/Chief Academic Officer. Note: For the definition of residency status, [Section 4.3](#)

later than June 30 prior to the semester in which those criteria and procedures shall take effect. Extraordinary circumstances may arise justifying award of a Presidential Waiver under criteria not specified in this Policy but consistent with the Policy intent and in support of the institution's mission. Presidents may offer an Academic Presidential Waiver in these circumstances but must first seek approval on a one-time or standing basis, from the Chief Academic Officer. A student may be eligible under one or more Presidential Waiver categories but shall only be granted a waiver under one specific category and will only be counted within the category assigned by the institution. Institutions shall maintain evidence of said approval. Institutions shall maintain adequate documentation of waiver awards to validate that waiver recipients met the institutional criteria and complied with Board of Regents Policy.

accept full-time, self-sustaining employment. The relocation must be for reasons other than enrolling in an institution of higher education and appropriate steps to establish domicile in the state must be taken. The employment upon which the relocation was based must be held at the time the waiver is awarded.

B. Independent Students

Independent students providing clear and convincing evidence that they, or their spouse, relocated to the state of Georgia to accept full-time, self-sustaining employment. The relocation to the state must be for reasons other than enrolling in an institution of higher education and appropriate steps to establish domicile in the state must be taken. The employment upon which the relocation was based must be held at the time the waiver is awarded.

C. U.S. refugees, asylees, and other eligible noncitizens as defined by the federal Title IV regulations may be extended the same consideration for the economic advantage waiver as citizens and lawful permanent residents of the United States.

Waiver eligibility for the above qualifying students expires twelve (12) months from

maintained. Furthermore, there must be continued evidence of Georgia domicile and efforts to pursue an adjustment to United States lawful permanent resident status.

3. Students who are employees of Georgia-based corporations or organizations that have contracted with the Board of Regents through USG institutions to provide out-of-state tuition differential waivers.
4. Students enrolled in a USG institution based on a referral by the Vocational Rehabilitation Program of the Georgia Department of Labor (BoR Minutes, October 2008).
5. Career consular officers, their spouses, and their dependent children who are citizens of the foreign nation that their consular office represents and who are stationed and living in Georgia under orders of their respective governments.
6. Any student participating in an ICAPP® Advantage program.

Employee

1. Full-time USG employees, their spouses, and their dependent children.
2. Full-time employees in the public schools of Georgia or the Technical College System of Georgia (BoR Minutes, October 2008), their spouses, and their dependent children.
3. Teachers employed fulltime on military bases in Georgia shall also qualify for this waiver (BoR Minutes, 1988-89, p. 43).

Military

1. Military personnel, their spouses, and their dependent children stationed in or assigned to Georgia and on active duty. Military personnel, their spouses, and their dependent children may continue waiver eligibility if:
 - x The military sponsor is reassigned outside of Georgia, and the student(s) remain(s) continuously enrolled and the military sponsor remains on active military status;
 - x The military sponsor is reassigned out of state and the spouse and dependent children remain in Georgia and the sponsor remains on active military duty; or,
 - x The active military personnel and their spouse and dependent children are stationed in a state contiguous to the Georgia border and reside in Georgia. (BoR Minutes, February 2009; October 2013)
2. Active members of the Georgia National Guard stationed or assigned to Georgia or active members of a unit of the U.S. Military Reserves based in Georgia, and their spouses and their dependent children (BoR Minutes, October 2008).

Non-Resident Students

As of the first day of classes for the term, a ~~resident~~ student can be considered for this waiver under the following conditions:

1. Students under 24.
 - o If the parent, or United States ~~appointed~~ legal guardian has maintained domicile in Georgia for at least twelve (12) consecutive months and the student