

# ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING DUNN-OLIVER ACADOME BOARD ROOM February 7, 2014 2:30 P.M.

#### **MINUTES**

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Alabama State University Board of Trustees was called to order by Chairman Elton N. Dean, Sr., at 2:30 p.m. in the Dunn-Oliver Acadome Board Room.

#### ii. INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Public Safety Director, Henry Davis.

### III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

#### IV. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Upon completion of roll call, President Gwendolyn Boyd, affirmed a quorum. Board Members present were: The Honorable Elton N. Dean, Sr., Marvin L. Wiggins, Locy Baker, Jacqueline Brooks, Buford Crutcher, Taylor Hodge, Bobby Junkins, Larry Thornton and Herbert Young. Board Members absent were: The Honorable Robert Bentley, Thomas Figures, Robert Gilpin and Alfreda Green.

## V. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Trustee Baker moved to adopt the agenda, and the motion was seconded by Trustee Crutcher. The agenda was unanimously adopted.

# VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 3, 2014

Chairman Dean called for the adoption of the minutes of the January 3, 2014, meeting. Trustee Wiggins moved to adopt the minutes. Trustee Crutcher seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

#### VII. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Gwendolyn Boyd stated that it has been a busy week and she thanked the Board for the honor and privilege that was afforded to her to serve as president of her alma mater and this great institution. She also thanked the Board for their vote of support.

She stated that prior to coming on board, she and Trustee Locy Baker attended a meeting at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). It was an excellent meeting with the Chair and two of the Commissioners of NRC. The NRC was very excited and complimentary of the information that was presented. As a result the Commission offered their support in the following areas:

- How to make a stronger program
- The implementation of the program
- How to populate the program

This program will be the first of its kind and will offer an Associate Degree at ASU. She also stated that we are ready to move forward with the program.

Dr. Boyd reported that Founders' Day was this week and was a busy time. The standard and traditional programs for Founders' Week have been successful. She stated that she has had several meet and greet sessions with business leaders and she plans to continue.

Additionally, she met with EVP Knight, Provost Wilson and Vice President Gallot regarding the recommendations for the Response to the Moody's Report. She also mentioned that confirmation of the hiring freeze and creating a Voluntary Oversight Committee were discussed. This Voluntary Oversight Committee are experts in dealing with Wall Street and they will assist us in preparing a response to the Moody's Report.

Inauguration dates have been set for September 2-6, 2014. This is an open weekend for football. She stated that she has already secured a football game with Tennessee State University and it will be a home game. These Inaugural events flow into a pure HBCU experience. She believes that these two football teams will produce a great crowd.

Dr. Boyd presented a Resolution naming the Graduate School the Harold *Lloyd Murphy Graduate School*. A motion was made by Trustee Crutcher and seconded by Trustee Baker to approve the Resolution. Trustee Young abstained. The motion passed unanimously.

# VIII. STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION REPORT

President Campbell reported that the Montgomery Election Office will be sponsoring the poll machines that are needed for the upcoming spring election at Alabama State University.

He mentioned that there will be an Interest Meeting for the SGA and Miss ASU Court for those students who would like to participate for the next academic year.

The SGA will sponsor students to support this weekend SWAC Track Team in Birmingham, AL.

The SGA Banquet is scheduled May 2, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., more information will be forthcoming.

## IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### A. Academic Affairs Committee

Trustee Hodge, Chair of the Committee, reported that the committee met and there was one action item. Approval of Resolution to be established for a Division to Encompass Online Programs, Off-campus Sites, and Continuing Education Programs. Upon motion by Trustee Hodge, seconded by Trustee Jacqueline Brooks this Resolution to be forwarded to the full board for adoption. The motion passed unanimously.

#### B. Student Affairs Committee

Trustee Wiggins, Chair of the committee, reported that the committee met and there were no action items.

#### C. Finance Committee

Trustee Young, Chair of the committee, reported that the committee met and there were no action items.

# D. Property Committee

Trustee Crutcher, Chair of the Committee, reported that the Committee met and there were no action items.

#### E. Audit Committee

There was no audit committee report.

#### F. Athletics Committee

Trustee Baker, Chair of the Committee reported that the Committee met and there were no action items.

#### G. Development Committee

There was no report.

#### X. Executive Session

There was no report.

#### XI. Faculty Senate Report

Mr. Charlie Hardy, Chair of the Faculty Senate stated that on behalf of the Faculty he thanked President Boyd for attending the Faculty Senate meeting. He stated that the Faculty is excited about her openness and attitude toward "Shared Governance". He mentioned that a University-Wide Symposium is being prepared on *Academic Excellence* and more information will be forthcoming.

# XII. Non-Instructional Staff Report

Ms. Georgette Varner, President of Non-Instructional Staff Council welcomed President Boyd and expressed that the Council was looking forward to working with her. Ms. Varner said that the Council is working to establish an ASU Employees' Alumni Chapter.

Ms. Varner expressed her desire for the Office of Human Resources to begin the process for nominating new representatives to the Council.

# XIII. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ACTIONS REPORT-September 14, 2013-January 10, 2014

Dr. John F. Knight, Jr. reported that the new hires are only faculty members that are needed for instructional purposes. Non Instructional personnel were not listed on the report; because of the university's freeze. Dr. Boyd will have an opportunity to review all Non Instructional positions to assess the need of the university.

#### XIV. Other Business

There was no other business.

# XV. Adjournment

Trustee Wiggins moved to recess the meeting until the call of the chair. Trustee Crutcher seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The meeting recessed at 3:50 p.m.

ELTON N. DEAN, SR., CHAIRMAN ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY

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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES** 

OR. GWENDOLYN E. BOYD

PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY TO THE

ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATED: 2/7/2014

# RESOLUTION

# for the Naming of The Harold Lloyd Murphy Graduate School

WHEREAS, Alabama State University originated as a teacher's normal college and has nearly a 150-year history of providing quality education for literally thousands of students; and,

WHEREAS, when the University was forced to seek legal remedies on Jan. 15, 1981, because of longstanding inequities in funding in Alabama's higher education system; and,

WHEREAS, the lawsuit was heard on two separate occasions, once in 1990 and once in 1994, by the Honorable Judge Harold Lloyd Murphy in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia; and,

WHEREAS, Judge Murphy took on the monumental task of digesting the testimony of 200 witnesses, perusing hundreds of thousands of pages of exhibits and reviewing more than 20,000 pages of transcripts; and,

WHEREAS, after his diligent efforts, Judge Murphy rendered an 840-page court order on Dec. 27, 1991, and a second 198-page order on Aug. 1, 1995, ruling that vestiges of segregation had impeded and duly restricted both Alabama State University and Alabama A&M University and that the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment required the state to eliminate those vestiges; and,

WHEREAS, Judge Murphy's historic ruling became the foundation for the unprecedented expansion of academic programs at Alabama State University, including the creation of the University's graduate school; and,

WHEREAS, the Murphy ruling has subsequently helped Alabama State University to achieve Level VI status with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, indicating that the institution offers four or more doctoral degrees as its highest degrees; and,

WHEREAS, Judge Murphy's actions should be memorialized to a significant degree by the University; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, The Graduate School of Alabama State University will henceforth be named The Harold Lloyd Murphy Graduate School. This resolution shall be recorded in the official archives of the Board of Trustees and a copy shall be presented to Judge Murphy.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, two thousand and fourteen.

Gwendolyn E. Boyd, President

Elton N. Dean, Chair

# ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY Board of Trustees

Resolution to Establish a Division to Encompass Online programs, Off-campus sites, and Continuing Education Programs

WHEREAS, the mission of the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs includes providing academic programs responsive to market demands and effective and flexible learning and support services; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the University includes being committed to achieving excellence in teaching, research, and public service; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs has been tirelessly working to build the foundation and improve and enrich our online courses/programs and off-campus sites; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Continuing Education falls in line with the mission of the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs mission of the university in its quest to satisfy market demands and effective learning and support services; and

WHEREAS, a division of the university to encompass our online programs, off-campus sites, and continuing education under one umbrella would be advantageous to the continued development and implementation of online courses/programs, increasing the number of students at our off-campus sites; and continuing educations offerings; and

WHEREAS, the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board approved this recommendation at its meeting on Friday, January 17, 2014.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT,** the Board of Trustees of Alabama State University approve the recommendation to create a new division of academic excellence to include online courses/programs, off-campus sites, and continuing education programs under the purview of the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective immediately.

Date

Executed this \_\_\_\_\_day of February, 2014.

Gwendolyn E. Boyd

President of Alabama State University

Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Elton N. Dean, Sr.

Chair, ASU Board of Trustees

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Date