

Bridgewater State University
Board of Trustees Meeting
December 13, 2022
Heritage Room, Maxwell Library
Hybrid

MEMBERS PRESENT: Trustees Battaglino, Caulfield, Kopellas, Giles (Virtual), Longo, MacCormack, Oliari, Taylor and Turchon

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustees Prince and Alexander

ALSO PRESENT: President Clark; EVP and Provost Ismaili; Chief of Staff Leuenberger; Vice Presidents Gentlewarrior, Jason, Jean, Powers, Oravec, Zuromski; Special Advisor DeMacedo (Virtual); CDO Oliver, Interim Assistant VP Bell

Under the order suspending certain provisions of the open meeting law of the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A, as declared on March 12, 2020 by Governor Baker, having been complied with, and a quorum of the Board present, the Board of Trustees held a meeting on December 13, 2022 with Chairperson MacCormack presiding.

Chairperson MacCormack called the meeting to order at 6:15pm. She put forth a motion that a unanimous vote will be deemed to eliminate the need for a roll call. If a vote is not unanimous, then a roll call vote

Trustee MacCormack-yes, it was

VOTED
FOR: Unanimous
CARRIED

that the Board of Trustees dispense with a roll call vote for each unanimous vote for the duration of this meeting.

Chairperson MacCormack welcomed BSU's newest Trustee, Mr. Michael Taylor. The Board is very pleased to have him as a member. She also acknowledged the tremendous amount of work that went into NECHE.

VOTED
FOR: Unanimous
CARRIED

On motion duly made and seconded (Turchon, Oliari) it was to approve the minutes from the Board of Trustees meeting held on October 20, 2022.
(Attachment)

**Chairperson's
Report**Student Trustee Update

Trustee Kopellas commented the semester is going well. Students are getting involved and engaging.

**President's
Report**

President Clark welcomed Trustee Taylor. His experiences will offer significant help to adult learners and BSUWorks which assists our students in employment upon graduation. He thanked the Board for its steady leadership, support and extensive involvement. He thanked faculty, librarians and staff for the tremendous hard work over the past few years and for showing compassion, dedication and selflessness.

This semester has been a good and productive semester. They are mindful that all have come through trauma and are still experiencing it. Staff will continue to support our students and focus on mental health and how to engage them. 161 Summer Street (Martin Richard Institute) will soon be open. International partnerships continue and BSU continues to have an impact. President Clark and several others (staff, senators, representatives, Brockton's Mayor, etc.) traveled to Cape Verde and visited the UNI-

work in the 'sock' and be mentored by staff. In October, BSU hosted a cybersecurity summit with 150 attendees.

ACTION/
INFORMATION
ITEMS

EXECUTIVE

President's Expenses and Upcoming Travel

VOTED

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

On motion duly made and seconded (Oliari, Caulfield) it was that the Board of Trustees approves the FY2023/Q1 Trust Funds Report as recommended by the Finance and Operations Committee and outlined in the memorandum from President Clark dated November 22, 2022.

(Attachment)

Meal Plan Rates for AY2023-24

Trustee Longo noted there were a few years where the meal plan was not increased. This year, the recommendation is for a 5% increase. Staff received feedback from students and held several discussions. Trustee Kopellas noted the complaints for dining have decreased. Three new meal plans will now be available as a result of these discussions.

VOTED

FOR: Unanimous

CARRIED

On motion duly made and seconded (Kopellas, Battaglino) it was that the Board of Trustees approves the Meal Plan Rates for AY2023-24 as recommended by the Finance and Operations Committee and outlined in the memorandum from President Clark dated November 22, 2022.

(Attachment)

FY2023/Q1 Budget Report

Trustee Longo stated revenue is going well due to better than expected occupancy. President Clark noted state monies have come in as expected. AVP Beaulieu said registered credits are down as of today by 1.5%; they budgeted for 2% down.

(Attachment)

FY2023/Q1 Contracts Report

The quarterly contracts report w1 (eg)-4 (i)395.8(t)-2 [, cTJ0 Tc 0 w1 (eg)-4 (i)395.8

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

have declined.
(Attachment)

Introductions/Resources –

Vice President Gentlewarrior noted she and Kevin McGowan are co-chairing the council. The council is working to advance 4 items. They are also looking for students to serve on the council and hold peer discussions.

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