

The Tennessee Tech Board of Trustees met in regular session on March 12, 2020, in Roaden University Center, Room 282. Chair Trudy Harper called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Chair Harper asked Kae Carpenter, Secretary, to call the roll. The following members were present:

Mason Hilliard

Tom Jones

Fred Lowery

Sally Pardue

Rhedona Rose

Purna Saggurti participated by phone and confirmed that he could simultaneously hear and speak to the Board members, that he was the only person present in the location from which he was calling, and that he received the Board materials in advance of the meeting.

Johnny Stites

Teresa Vanhooser

Barry Wilmore

Trudy Harper

A quorum was physically in attendance.

Tennessee Tech faculty, staff, and members of the public were also in attendance.

Chair Harper stated that she would like to express Tennessee Tech's sadness for those who suffered losses resulting from the recent tornados. She stated Diane Smith would be accepting donations from Trustees to help those who were impacted. She stated that the Foundation Board planned to match up to \$100,000 for the student fund.

Chair Harper stated there were four current board members whose appointments were in the process of being confirmed by the Tennessee General Assembly. She stated that these members included Ms. Vanhooser, Ms. Rose, Mr. Lowery, and Mr. Stites. She stated that these members have completed their confirmation hearings with both houses. She stated that, if confirmed, Ms. Vanhooser, Ms. Rose, and Mr. Stites will serve on the Board until June 30, 2025. She stated that Mr. Lowery was appointed to fill a vacanc (e c)3 4 (5)un5l s (,)-3 ue4 (s (d)

President Oldham stated that early on the morning of March 3, 2020, Putnam County sustained major damage resulting from an EF-4 tornado. He stated that campus was spared and received no damage, but many friends, neighbors, and campus personnel were greatly affected. He stated that the campus was closed for two days in recognition of the effect on campus personnel and students and to enable a day of service for students. He stated there were over 1,000 student volunteers, and likely many more that were not included in the official count. He stated he was proud Tennessee Tech was able to play a part in the recovery of Putnam County and would continue to do so in the coming months.

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Mr. Stites stated that the Audit & Business Committee discussed the generic naming of buildings and a roadway. He stated the current fitness center was renamed the "Academic Wellness Center," the new fitness center was named the "Student Recreation Center," the lab science building was named the "Laboratory Science Commons," and 8th Street, which runs through campus, was named "Wings Up Way

Ms. Rose stated that President Oldham reported for Mr. Wilson and provided an update on a California case