



Special Board Meeting

May 21, 2020

Meeting via teleconference and streamed live via link found on this web page:

<https://www.tntech.edu/board/>

MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM - CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Tennessee Tech Board of Trustees met on May 21, 2020 at 8:31 a.m. Chair Harper called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Chair Harper asked Kae Carpenter, Secretary, to call the roll. The following members participated by teleconference:

- x Mason Hilliard
- x Tom Jones
- x Fred Lavery
- x Sally Pardue
- x Purna Saggurti
- x Teresa Vanhooser
- x Trudy Harper

Rhedona Rose, Johnny Stites, and Barry Wilmore were absent due to scheduling conflicts.

All participating Trustees confirmed that they could simultaneously hear and speak to the Board members, that they were the only person present in the location from which they were calling, and that they received the Board materials in advance of the meeting.

A quorum participated but was not physically present.

AGENDA ITEM 2- DETERMINATION OF NECESSITY

Chair Harper stated that a determination of necessity was required since a quorum was not physically present and in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated Section 18(b)(2), the Board of Trustees based its determination that a necessity existed on the following facts and circumstances:

- 1) Pursuant to TTU Policy 003, the Board is required to approve the sale of any Tennessee Tech real estate.
- 2) Putnam County is interested in purchasing a parcel of the W. Clyde Hyder Farm for the purpose of placing a fire station at the site.
- 3) Because the sale of such property involves several legal and administrative approvals and processes, it is in the interest of Tennessee Tech to begin these processes as soon as possible.
- 4) The Board was meeting via teleconference in recognition of the need to limit personal contact during the COVID-19 pandemic and in keeping with Executive Order 30 related to the pandemic.

Mr. Saggurti moved that based on the facts and circumstances presented, a necessity for this meeting existed. Mr. Lowery seconded the motion. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Ms. Carpenter called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 3- APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Jones moved to approve the March 12, 2020, meeting minutes. Mr. Saggurti seconded the motion. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Ms. Carpenter called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4- EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS REPORT— APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF VICE PRESIDENT FOR RESEARCH

Chair Harper stated that Policy 005 requires the Executive Committee to report its actions at the next regular board meeting, which would take place in June. She stated that the June board

AGENDA ITEM 4.1—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS
RECOMMENDATIONS APPROVAL OF TU POLICY 008 (PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT)

Chair Harper stated the Executive Committee Recommendation (see attached) to the Board of Trustees for the approval of the proposed changes to the Professional Development Policy (TU Policy 008).

Mr. Jones moved to approve the sale of the parcel of the W. Clyde Hyder Farm as identified in the Board materials, to file the necessary legal petition to allow the sale, and to authorize the President and Dr. Stinson to execute any documents including but not limited to

percent was from state funding. He stated that enrollment for the summer increased three percent over last year's enrollment. He stated enrollment was still uncertain, but aggressive steps were

AGENDA ITEM ~~9~~ OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Harper stated that the next board meeting was scheduled for June 23, 2020, and would also be held via teleconference.

AGENDA ITEM ~~10~~ ADJOURNMENT

With there being no other business, the meeting adjourned at ~~9:42~~

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kae Carpenter". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Kae Carpenter, Board Secretary