



**JACKSONVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
EMERGENCY MEETING
MINUTES**

The Evaluation Committee of the Board of Trustees of **JACKSONVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY** held an emergency called meeting in Jacksonville, Alabama, on **Saturday, September 21, 2019, at 11:00 A.M., CDT on the 8th Floor of Houston Cole Library.**

Mr. Tony L. Ingram, Chairman of the Evaluation Committee, reported that the Board of Trustees conducts much of its initial business through established committees that then report to the entire Board. The employment contract under which President John M. Beehler works requires that the Board of Trustees conducts a review of his performance annually. That review is normally completed in July; however, other more pressing business of the Board delayed this year's review. The Committee will conduct the review today, September 21, 2019.

Senator Figures made a motion that the Committee recess its open meeting and go into executive session. Mr. Fuller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Tony L. Ingram	Yes
Senator Vivian D. Figures	Yes
Mr. Rusty Fuller	Yes
Mr. Anthony (Tony) Smoke	Yes

Committee Chairman Ingram determined that a majority vote occurred.

Committee Chairman Ingram reported that the Evaluation Committee had suspended its evaluation and will go into executive session. There will be no public session following the Committee's completion of its review. The Committee will make its report to the entire Board of Trustees.

Upon returning from the executive session, Committee Chairman Ingram reported that President John M. Beehler would be on medical leave for 90 days beginning October 1, 2019.

The Board of Trustees of **JACKSONVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY** held an emergency called meeting in Jacksonville, Alabama, on **Saturday, September 21, 2019, at 1:00 P.M., CDT on the 11th Floor of Houston Cole Library.**

Mr. Randall E. Jones, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, called the meeting to order and appointed Dr. Don Killingsworth as Acting Secretary for this meeting.

Roll call showed the following members of the Board of Trustees were:

PRESENT:

Mr. Randall E. Jones, Chairman
Senator Vivian D. Figures, Vice Chair
Mr. Greg Brown
Mr. Clarence Daugette, III
Mr. Rusty Fuller
Mr. Tony L. Ingram
Ms. Gale Saxon Main
Mr. Randy Y. Owen
Mr. Anthony (Tony) Smoke

ABSENT:

Governor Kay Ivey

CHAIRMAN RANDALL E. JONES REMARKS

Chairman Jones welcomed everyone to the meeting and expressed that this meeting was called to allow the Board of Trustees to receive reports on matters that need to be addressed before the Annual Meeting of the Board in October. He referred as to what has been reported in the media over the last few days and stated that this meeting was not called as a result of the matters reported; however, the Board will be briefed by General Counsel as to the progress of any investigations, which are being handled by an independent agency. Also reported publicly is the fact that JSU is in arbitration regarding insurance claims arising from the March 19, 2018, EF3 tornado that devastated the campus and inflicted over \$100M in damages. Arbitration is what is known as an Alternative Dispute Resolution process conducted outside of a courtroom, but it is still a form of litigation. The Board will be briefed on the status of that ongoing process. An annual review will be conducted of President John M. Beehler. The review is routine and a matter of a provision in President Beehler's contract that the Board conducts an annual review.

Chairman Jones expressed that most of the board's business will be in executive session, but any action items that may come out of the non-public portion of the meeting will be reported in an open meeting. He stressed that the administration strives to maintain a safe

campus. Regarding the current reports, nothing has indicated that any of JSU's students were placed at risk, are at risk, or will be at risk from the matters under investigation.

Chairman Jones asked if there was any public business to come before the board at this time. Hearing none, Senator Figures made a motion to recess its open meeting. Mr. Fuller seconded, and the motion carried.

Mr. Charlie Waldrep, Board Counsel, certified that the Executive Session is necessary to discuss the good names and character of individuals pending litigation or matters that could lead to litigation. Chairman Jones asked for a roll call vote to enter Executive Session for approximately one hour.

Chairman Jones called roll for voting to approve the Executive Session. The following persons voted:

Chairman, Randall E. Jones	Yes
Mr. Greg Brown	Yes
Mr. Clarence Daugette, III	Yes
Senator Vivian D. Figures	Yes
Mr. Rusty Fuller	Yes
Mr. Tony L. Ingram	Yes
Mrs. Gale S. Main	Yes
Mr. Randy Y. Owen	Yes
Mr. Anthony (Tony) Smoke	Yes

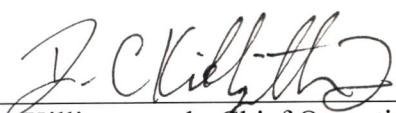
Chairman Jones reported a unanimous vote for the Executive Session and stated that the Board members would return for a public vote on any action items.

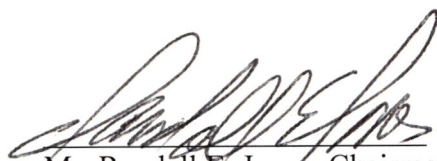
Mr. Ingram made a motion to recommend the Board of Trustees accepts President Beehler's leave request. Senator Figures seconded the motion, and the Board unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Kitty Stone property discussion was tabled until the Board of Trustees meeting in October.

There being no further business, Chairman Jones declared that the meeting was adjourned and stated that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees would be held on the 5th Floor of Stadium Towers on **October 22, 2019.**


 Dr. Don Killingsworth, Chief Operations Officer
 Jacksonville State University


 Mr. Randall E. Jones, Chairman
 Board of Trustees