

#### **BOARD OF REGENTS**

# University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science Rita Rossi Colwell Center September 20, 2024

### **AGENDA FOR PUBLIC SESSION**

9:00 A.M.

Call to Order Chair Gooden

Chair Linda Gooden called the meeting of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents to order at 9:00 a.m. on Friday September 20, 2024, at the Rita Rossi Colwell Center. Those in attendance were: Chair Gooden; Regents Breslin, Fish, Gonella, Hasan, Hur, Leggett, Lewis, McMillen, Neuberger, Mirani, Parker, Pope, Sibel, Smarick, and Wood; Presidents Anderson, Breaux, Fowler, Ginsberg, Jarrell, Jenkins, Lepre, Miralles-Wilhlem, Pines, Sheares-Ashby, Schmoke, and Provost Delia; Chancellor Perman; Vice Chancellors Herbst, Wrynn, Masucci, Lawrence, Sandler, Raley; Ms. Mulqueen, Ms. Wilkerson, and AAGs Bainbridge and Langrill.

Chair Gooden welcomed everyone to the first board meeting of the new academic year. She noted that this is the first Board meeting to be held at the Colwell Center and expressed appreciation for the opportunity to learn about the research being done in the building and meet some of the researchers and graduate students. Chair Gooden welcomed the new Student Regent —Regent Dhruvak Mirani— to his first official full Board meeting. She also welcomed President Fernando Miralles-Wilhelm.

Chair Gooden acknowledged Regent Breslin, who was elected as Assistant Secretary at the July 31st Special BOR meeting. She ended her remarks by congratulating the Board of Regents Staff Award winners, who were honored at a breakfast prior to the meeting. Note: The recipients of this year's awards are:

- I. Exceptional Contribution: Dr. Michael Allen, University of Maryland Center for Env. Science
- 2. Exceptional Contribution: Jennifer Ellis, Salisbury University
- 3. Outstanding Service: Rubin Stevenson, Frostburg State University
- 4. Outstanding Service: Stephanie Davis, Salisbury University
- 5. Extraordinary Public Service: Patricia "Ann" Cotten, University of Baltimore
- 6. Extraordinary Public Service: Henry Jackson, Towson University
- 7. Effectiveness and Efficiency: Michelle Pryor, Salisbury University
- 8. Effectiveness and Efficiency: Christopher Serafin, University of Maryland Baltimore County
- 9. Inclusion, Multiculturalism, and Social Justice: Errica Philpott-Barber, University of Maryland, College Park

**Public Comment:** Chair Gooden opened the period for public comment. There were no requests for public comment.

**Educational Forum: Title IX Update:** Janet Judge presented updates to the Title IX policy and implications in implementing the updates across campuses in the USM.

Welcome from University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science: President Miralles-Wilhelm welcomed everyone to the IMET and talked about how it is the embodiment of systemness. President Miralles-Wilhelm thanked the Regents, Presidents, and USM system staff. He concluded his remarks with a video on UMCES work to find solutions to local and global environmental challenges.

**Chancellor's Report:** Chancellor Perman presented his report. He started by welcoming new Regents, Presidents, and USM Senior Leadership. He also thanked UMCES for hosting today's meeting and talked about UMCES's impact on the state of Maryland and beyond.

Chancellor Perman remarked on the FY 25 Elkins Professor awardees. Then, he highlighted evidence of USM excellence demonstrated through recent national rankings and individual accomplishments of USM community members.

Chancellor Perman discussed recent and future growth within the USM in the categories of students, facilities, academic programs, and gifts and grants. He ended his report by highlighting some recent examples of servant leadership at our institutions. A written copy of the Chancellor's Report to the Board is available at [LINK].

## I. Report of Councils

**Council of University System Faculty:** Dr. Haverback presented the report. CUSF had its first General Body Meeting on September 17, 2024. CUSF committee chairs are in place and, at the September meeting, committees held their first meeting, membership was determined, and agendas were considered. For each committee, specific initiatives are not yet determined.

Council of University System Staff: Dr. Patricio presented the report. The first meeting of the academic year was held at Salisbury University in August, and the second was held virtually in September and hosted by Towson University. The August meeting started the annual schedule and the Executive Committee's one-year term. CUSS also elected two Member-At-Large positions during the meeting. The committees began work on setting their action plans for the year.

**Council of University System Presidents:** President Breaux presented the report. CUSP met three times since the last Board meeting – On July I, August 5, and September 9. Meeting topics include revisions to the USM Title IX Policy, Meet and Confer, the Operating Budget update, the student regent tuition waiver policy, athletic training programs, and a Day of Dialogue. The Council also met with The Maryland Department of Service & Civic Innovation's Secretary Paul Monteiro to discuss the Maryland Corps/Service Year Option program.

University System of Maryland Student Council: Ms. Gambhir presented the USMSC report. The Executive Team met multiple times to discuss goals for the year. Board of Directors positions were selected in early September. The first General Body Meeting at the Elkins Building on September 15. Apart from the general onboarding protocol, they had an

open conversation about topics that were pertinent to many institutions: Health insurance, a Day of Dialogue, civic engagement, and shared governance.

## 2. Consent Agenda

Chair Gooden

The Consent Agenda was presented to the regents by Chair Gooden. She asked if there were any items on the agenda that should be removed for further discussion. There were no requests to remove any item. Chair Gooden moved and Regent Smarick seconded the motion to accept the consent agenda. The consent agenda was approved. The items included were:

- a. Committee of the Whole
  - i. Approval of meeting minutes from June 14, 2024, Public and Closed Sessions (action)
  - ii. Approval of meeting minutes from July 31, 2024, Special Board Meeting, Public and Closed Sessions (action)
- b. Committee on Advancement
  - i. Approval of meeting minutes from the September 12, 2024, public and closed session (action)
- c. Committee on Education Policy & Student Life
  - i. Approval of Meeting Minutes from September 3, 2024, Public Session (action)
  - ii. Academic Program Proposals (action)
    - 1. BSU: Master of Education in English for Speakers of Other Languages
    - 2. UMCP: Master of Science in Climate Finance and Risk Management
    - 3. UMGC: Bachelor of Science in Artificial Intelligence
    - 4. UMGC: Bachelor of Science in Sustainable Value Chain
    - 5. UMGC: Master of Science in Operations Management
    - 6. UMGC: Master of Science in Innovation and Entrepreneurial Leadership
    - 7. UMGC: Master of Science in Homeland Security Leadership
    - 8. UMGC: Master of Science in Public Safety Leadership
  - iii. EPSLS Overview: Annual EPSLS Bylaws and Charge Review (action)
  - iv. Update on HB 1244: Academic Program Approval and Institutional Mission Statements (information)
  - v. Tentative Annual Agenda, 2024-2025 (information)

#### d. Committee on Finance

- i. The University of Baltimore Facilities Master Plan 2024-2034 (presentation and information)
- ii. Review of the Finance Committee Charge, Role, and Responsibilities (action)
- iii. Bowie State University: Public-Private Partnership Student Housing (action)
- iv. University of Maryland, College Park: Emergency Procurement Report (information)
- e. Committee on Governance & Compensation
  - i. Review of Committee Workplan (information)
  - ii. Review of Regent Matrix (information)

### 3. Review of Items Removed from Consent Agenda

## 4. Committee Reports

- a. Committee of the Whole
  - i. Report from Major Investigations Taskforce (action): Regent Breslin presented the final report of the Major Investigations Task Force. He thanked the committee members and USM leadership. Regent Breslin discussed the taskforce's charge to review policies and practices to ensure that the Chancellor and Board are appropriately informed of incidents and investigations. The report included recommendations for policy changes, language, and tools. Chair Gooden moved to accept the recommendations and Regent Fish seconded the motion; unanimously approved.
- b. Committee on Education Policy and Student Life
  - i. USM Regional Higher Education Centers (information): Senior Vice Chancellor Wrynn introduced the presentation. USM Regional Higher Education Centers Directors Anne Khademian, Eileen Abel, and Jacob Ashby highlighted work at their respective centers.

## 5. Reconvene to Closed Session (action)

Chair Gooden

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Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.