# NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL CALL MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

# **JUNE 6, 2019**

The NCCU Board of Trustees held a Special Call meeting of the Executive/Personnel Committee on June 6, 2019. A public forum was provided in the Chancellor's Conference Room in the James E. Shepard Administration Building. Vice Chairman Barbee called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. and recognized Trustee Coleman to call the roll. A quorum was established.

**ROLL CALL**: <u>Present</u>: Mr. John Barbee (via telephone conference) Mr. James Walker (via telephone conference), Mrs. Oita Coleman (via telephone conference) and Mrs. Karyn Wilkerson

Absent: Mr. George Hamilton

Others Present: Chancellor Johnson Akinleye, Attorney Hope Tyehimba, Chief of Staff Al Zow (Open Session), Attorney Fenita Morris-Shepard and Ms. Dottie Fuller.

### **OPEN SESSION**

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**: It was moved by Trustee Coleman and properly seconded by Trustee Wilkerson that the agenda be adopted. The motion carried.

CHAIR'S REMARKS: Vice Chairman John Barbee informed the Board, as Vice Chair, it is his responsibility to remind all members of the Board of their duty under the State Government Ethics Act to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict of interest as required by this Act. Vice Chairman Barbee instructed the Board members as follows: Each has received the agenda and related information for this Special Call Board of Trustees Executive/Personnel Committee meeting. If any board member knows of any conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matter coming before the Board of Trustees at this meeting, the conflict or appearance of conflict should be identified at this time. No conflict was presented.

Vice Chairman Barbee recognized Attorney Tyehimba to discuss the proposed amendments to The Code re: Selection of Board of Trustee officers.

The Chancellors and Chief Legal Officers received a Memorandum dated May 23, 2019 from Senior VP and General Counsel Thomas Shanahan re: Notice of Amendments to the Selection of Board of Trustee Officers, Section 401 of The Code. (The memo is included as Attachment 1 to the minutes.)

Attorney Tyehimba reviewed key provisions of the Memo and the proposed change with the trustees. She further informed the trustees that the Board would be unable to move forward with the election of officers until after the General Assembly completes its appointments to the Board. Discussion was had regarding the current status of the legislative appointments.

The trustees suggested Chancellor Akinleye contact and discuss proposed amendments to The Code with campus liaison Board of Governor Member J. Alex Mitchell. Other options for moving forward were discussed, including the holding of a Special Call Meeting of the Board in July to nominate and elect new officers so that the business of the Board is not negatively impacted by the requirements of the revised Code provision.

There being no further business in Open Session it was moved by Trustee Coleman and properly seconded by Trustee Walker to convene in Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3). The motion carried.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Attorney Tyehimba recognized outside legal counsel who provided a litigation update in the matter of Durant v NCCU.

There being no further business for Closed Session, it was moved by Trustee Coleman and properly seconded by Trustee Wilkerson to reconvene in Open Session. The motion carried.

# **OPEN SESSION**

When the meeting reconvened in Open Session it was moved by Trustee Barbee and properly seconded by Trustee Walker to approve the matters discussed by the Board during Closed Session. The motion carried.

There being no	further	business,	it was	moved	and	properly	seconded	to adjourn.	The
motion carried.									

Respectfully submitted:

John Barbee, Vice Chairman