

**NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY  
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES**

**June 26, 2024**

The NCCU Board of Trustees convened in person in Williams Jones Building, Emma Marable Conference, on the campus of North Carolina Central University on Wednesday, June 26, 2024. Chairman Kevin Holloway called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

**OPEN SESSION**

**INVOCATION:** Trustee James Mitchell gave the invocation.

Chairman Kevin Holloway recognized the Administrative Secretary to the Board of Trustees, Tracy Vanderberg, to call the roll.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Chairman Kevin M. Holloway	YES
Trustee David Alexander	YES
Trustee Roderick G. Allison	YES
Trustee William V. Bell	YES
Trustee G. Keith Chadwell	YES
Trustee Emily Dickens	ABSENT
Trustee Lisa Martinez	YES
Trustee James Mitchell	YES
Trustee Cornell Slade	YES
Trustee Antwan Thornton	YES
Trustee Alexandra Valladares	ABSENT
Trustee James S. Walker	YES

There were ten (10) members present at roll call. A quorum was established.

**CHAIR'S REMARKS:**

As Chair of the Board of Trustees, it is my 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. Each member has received the agenda and related information for this Board of Trustees 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.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:** It was moved by Trustee David Alexander and properly seconded by Trustee Keith Chadwell that the agenda be adopted.

Chairman Kevin M. Holloway	YES
Trustee David Alexander	YES
Trustee Roderick G. Allison	YES
Trustee William V. Bell	YES
Trustee G. Keith Chadwell	YES
Trustee Emily Dickens	ABSENT
Trustee Lisa Martinez	YES
Trustee James Mitchell	YES
Trustee Cornell Slade	YES
Trustee Antwan Thornton	YES
Trustee Alexandra Valladares	ABSENT
Trustee James S. Walker	YES

The motion carried with ten (10) votes in the affirmative.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:** It was moved by Trustee David Alexander and properly seconded by Trustee Keith Chadwell that the Consent Agenda was approved.

- Consent Agenda:

- Minutes of Committee on Academic and Student Affairs, April 23, 2024
- Minutes (Open) Dated, April 24, 2024
- Minutes of Special Call Meeting, May 23, 2024
- Minutes of Special Call Meeting, June 21, 2024
- ACTION ITEM: Faculty Overload Policy
- ACTION ITEM: New Investment Strategy from Xponance
- ACTION ITEM: Internal Audit Charter
- ACTION ITEM: Audit Committee Charter
- ACTION ITEM: Annual Audit Plan for FY 25

Chairman Kevin M. Holloway	YES
Trustee David Alexander	YES
Trustee Roderick G. Allison	YES
Trustee William V. Bell	YES
Trustee G. Keith Chadwell	YES
Trustee Emily Dickens	ABSENT
Trustee Lisa Martinez	YES
Trustee James Mitchell	YES
Trustee Cornell Slade	YES
Trustee Antwan Thornton	YES
Trustee Alexandra Valladares	ABSENT
Trustee James S. Walker	YES

The motion was carried with ten (10) votes in the affirmative.

**APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEM: BOARD FACULTY APPEAL DECISION:**

It was moved by Trustee David Alexander and properly seconded by Trustee Roderick Allison that the Consent Agenda was approved.

Chairman Kevin M. Holloway	YES
Trustee David Alexander	YES

Trustee Roderick G. Allison	YES
Trustee William V. Bell	YES
Trustee G. Keith Chadwell	YES
Trustee Emily Dickens	ABSENT
Trustee Lisa Martinez	YES
Trustee James Mitchell	YES
Trustee Cornell Slade	YES
Trustee Antwan Thornton	YES
Trustee Alexandra Valladares	ABSENT
Trustee James S. Walker	YES

The motion was carried with ten (10) votes in the affirmative.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Vice Chairman Roderick Allison presented the Academic Affairs and Student Affairs Committee Reports:

#### **Academic and Student Affairs Division Highlights**

Vice Chairman Allison provided updates on several initiatives from the Divisions of Academic Affairs and Student Affairs. Two Doctoral degrees, 144 Juris Doctorates, 295 master's Degrees and 541 bachelor's Degrees, including two posthumous degrees were awarded at the 2024 Commencement ceremonies. Trustee Allison also noted the approval of new programs: a Bachelor of Science in Formulation and Packaging Science and a Doctor of Education in Counseling, Counselor Education and Supervision. Additionally, the Take 6 Summer Campaign successfully surpassed its enrollment goal, with 3,390 students registered. The Cheatham White Scholarship Program welcomed its largest first-year cohort.

Student Orientation and Registration (SOAR) commenced on May 14<sup>th</sup>, with 1,846 freshmen and 178 transfer students registered. Fall move-in is scheduled from August 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>, and the Eagle Pinning Ceremony for the class of 2028 will be held on August 18, 2024. Eagle Mania will take place August 14 to 24. Finally, the results of the Student Government Association (SGA) and Royal Court elections were announced, with new student leaders taking office.

The Academic and Student Affairs Committee approved the following items to be moved to the Consent Agenda at the full Board meeting:

- ACTION ITEM 1: Faculty Overload Policy

## ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE

Committee Chair, Antwan Thornton presented the Advancement Report.

### **Advancement Highlights**

Trustee Thornton shared updates for Advancement & External Affairs. Chancellor Johnson O. Akinleye's retirement celebration on April 27 raised over \$200,000 for the Dr. Johnson and Juanita Akinleye's Scholarship Fund. Institutional Advancement also hosted the University of North Carolina System 2024 Advancement Symposium, which had over 400 attendees. Trustee Thornton also shared that the 2024 Orange Blossom Classic to be held on September 1<sup>st</sup>, will include a Welcome Reception on August 30<sup>th</sup>, Battle of the Bands on August 31<sup>st</sup> and Game Day Fan Fest on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Additionally, the university's Fiscal Year 2024 fundraising goal was set at \$15 million, and as of June 24<sup>th</sup>, it has exceeded this target by raising over \$16.2 million.

## ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

Committee Chair, Cornell Slade, presented the Athletics Report.

### **Athletics Updates**

Trustee Slade provided updates regarding the Athletic Department. NCCU Athletic Department's overall GPA is a 3.22. Student-athletes have demonstrated community engagement, contributing a total of 12,266 community service hours. Leadership and development programs for student-athletes include initiatives such as Kick it with Nike, various speaking engagements, and Eagle Hour, among other activities.

Trustee James Walker also shared:

- Tepper Sports has agreed to allow North Carolina Central University's football team to play in the 2028 and 2029 HBCU Football Classic.
- North Carolina Central University will be receiving \$1.4 million as a result of House Bill 347: Sports Wagering/Horse Racing Wagering.

## AUDIT COMMITTEE

Committee Chair, Keith Chadwell, presented the Audit Committee Report.

### **Audit Highlights**

Trustee Chadwell provided updates regarding the Risk Assessment, Audit Plan and Accounts Payable findings and recommendations. Additionally, Mrs. Lakisha

Perry-Green provided an update on the FY2023-24 Compliance Overview. The Endowment Committee approved the following items to be moved to the Consent Agenda at the full Board meeting:

- ACTION ITEM 1: Internal Audit Charter
- ACTION ITEM 2: Audit Committee Charter
- ACTION ITEM 3: Annual Audit Plan for FY25

## ENDOWMENT BOARD

Chairman Kevin M. Holloway presented the Endowment Report.

### **Endowment Highlights**

Chairman Holloway shared that the Committee on Endowment approved a motion to move the following action item to the full Board consent agenda:

- ACTION ITEM 1: New Investment Strategy for Xponance

## FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Committee Chair, Lisa Martinez, presented the Administration and Finance Committee Report.

### **Administration & Finance**

Trustee Martinez provided updates on several key areas, including the Third Quarter Budget, Capital Projects, Police & Public Safety and Campus Enterprises. The Finance Division is currently focused on completing the year-end closeout and preparing the budget for the new fiscal year.

## GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

The Governance Committee did not report at the June 25, 2024, Board of Trustees Meeting.

## EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Executive/Personnel Committee reported in Closed Session on June 25, 2024.

## CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

### **Report Highlights**

- Year-over-Year Comparison
  - Sponsored Research Funding
  - Fundraising
  - Student Enrollment
  - Housing

Chairman Holloway announced that the Board will move to Closed Session.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Chair Holloway recognized Vice Chairman Roderick Allison to go into closed session.

Trustee Allison sought a motion to go into Closed session pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11(a)

(3) to consult with the attorney to preserve attorney-client privilege.

(5) to establish, or to instruct staff or negotiating agents concerning the position of negotiating (i) the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease.

(6) to consider the qualification, competence, performance, or conditions of appointment of a public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee.

The motion was moved by Trustee David Alexander and seconded by Trustee Keith Chadwell.

Trustee David Alexander	Yes
Trustee Roderick Allison	Yes
Trustee William Bell	Yes
Trustee Keith Chadwell	Yes
Trustee Emily Dickens	ABSENT
Trustee Cameron Emery	Yes
Trustee Lisa Martinez	Yes
Trustee Cornell Slade	Yes
Trustee Antwan Thornton	Yes
Trustee Alexandra Valladares	ABSENT
Trustee James Walker	Yes

The motion was carried with ten (10) in the affirmative to go into Closed session.

**Closed Session**

Respectfully submitted:  
Catherine Edmonds

