

**BOARD OF VISITORS
GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY**

**Presidential Search Committee Meeting
February 12, 2020
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Co-Chairs Shannon Davis and Jimmy Hazel; Denise Albanese, Simmi Bhuller, Horace Blackman, Terri Cofer Beirne, Tom Davis, Mehmood Kazmi, Camden Layton, Germaine Louis, Ignacia Moreno, Carolyn Moss, Jon Peterson, Lauren Reuscher, Edward Rice, Carole Scott, Girum Urgessa, Bob Witeck, and Lisa Zuccari; and Secretary pro tem Cagle.

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES: Sharon Cullen, Ron Forehand, Jan Greenwood, and Julie Holley.

I. Call to Order

Co-Chair Hazel called the meeting to order 8:00 a.m. and thanked the committee members for their attendance.

II. Approval of Minutes

Co-Chair Hazel called for any corrections to the minutes from the Presidential Search Committee Meeting of December 13, 2019, the Presidential Search Announcement Committee Meetings of January 15 and 29, 2020, and the Presidential Search Committee Meetings in January 2020. Hearing none, the minutes stood approved as written.

III. Closed Session

Co-Chair Davis made the following **MOTION**: "I move to go into Closed Session pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711. A.1 to discuss personnel matters including assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees or employees; and more specifically to discuss the evaluation of candidates for President of the University, which discussion may also involve evaluation and performance of departments or schools that will necessarily involve the discussion of specific employees; and Section 2.2-3711. A.8 for consultation with legal counsel regarding specific legal matters, including the aforementioned issues, as well as other issues related to the presidential search." The motion was **SECONDED** Edward Rice.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE

IV. Open Session

Co-Chair Hazel stated the following: "Having reconvened in Open Session, we will now take a roll call vote on certification that (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from Open Meeting requirements, and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the Closed Meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Presidential Search Committee. Any member of the Committee who believes that there was a departure from the requirements as stated above, shall so state prior to the vote, indicating the substance of the departure that in his, or her, judgement, has taken place."

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Co-Chair Hazel asked the Secretary pro tem to take the roll. Roll call was taken with all present members responding in the affirmative.

Co-Chair Hazel recognized Rector Tom Davis for remarks.

Rector Davis stated that he would apprise the entire Board of Visitors concerning the discussion in Closed Session regarding the candidates for the presidency. He thanked the Presidential Search Committee for its service the University. Rector Davis then stated the following: "As of adjournment of this meeting, the Presidential Search Committee's work is concluded, and you are discharged from further responsibilities as a member of the Committee."

V. Adjournment

With no other business matters to come before the Committee, Co-Chair Hazel adjourned the meeting at 11:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kathy Cagle
Secretary pro tem