
SUBJECT: Governance Committee Meeting Report – May 18, 2023

The Governance Committee of the Board of Trustees met remotely via Zoom on Wednesday, May 18, 2023, pursuant to Governor Baker’s executive order of March 10, 2020, entitled “Order suspending certain provisions of the open meeting law, G.L., Ch. 30A, section 20,” to allow public remote participation and participation of the public body remotely and extended by Governor Healey on March 29, 2023.

Present for the Committee were Trustees Butts, Maldonado and Mattera (chair). Also present and participating were President Keenan, Counsel Colucci and Board Secretary Montague

Chair Mattera called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the election of officers and the executive committee for AY2023-2024.

Trustee Mattera read the motion which was moved by Trustee Butts and seconded by Trustee Maldonado. Hearing no discussion, it was unanimously,

VOTED: Ruthanne Russell as chair and Samanda Morales for the position of vice chair of the Board of Trustees for AY2023-2024, effective July 1, 2022

Voting in the affirmative:	Butts, Maldonado, Mattera (chair)
Voting in the negative:	None
Voting against:	None

Trustee Mattera then moved to the second matter of business which was the slate of trustees to serve on the Executive Committee. Trustee Mattera explained that the board bylaws dictate that the chair and vice chair shall serve on the Executive Committee. As a practice, the board has nominated the immediate past chair and past chair and longest serving trustee for a total of three additional trustees. Trustee Mattera then presented the motion which was moved by Trustee Butts and seconded by Trustee Maldonado. Hearing no discussion, it was unanimously,

VOTED: The Governance Committee of the Board of Trustees of Salem State University presents the following slate for the Executive Committee for AY 2023-2024:

Ruthanne Russell, Chair
Samanda Morales, Vice Chair
Cherié Butts, Immediate Past chair
Paul Mattera, Past Chair
Teri Chisholm, Member

Voting in the affirmative:	Butts, Maldonado, Mattera (chair)
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Voting in the negative: None
Absent: None

Trustee Mattera then thanked Chair Butts for her extraordinary leadership and service to the Board of Trustees for the last year. Then he congratulated Trustees Russell and Morales. With no other business to conduct Chair Mattera asked for a motion to adjourn, Trustee Butts offered the motion which was seconded by Trustee Morales and by a roll call vote it was,

VOTED: to Adjourn
Voting in the affirmative: Butts, Morales, Mattera (chair)
Voting in the negative: None
Absent: None

Submitted by: L. Montague, Secretary to the Board of Trustees