
SUBJECT: Governance Committee Meeting Report – May 1, 2026

The Governance Committee of the Board of Trustees met remotely via Zoom on Wednesday, May 1, 2026, in accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Chapter 30A and An Act Relative to Extending Certain State of Emergency Accommodations, which, among other things, extended the expiration of the provisions pertaining to the Open Meeting Law. All votes taken during this meeting were by roll call vote.

Present for the Committee were Trustees Immerman, Lampassi, Morales and Davis (chair).

Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the election of officers and the executive committee slate for FY27.

Chair Davis explained that per the board’s bylaws the Governance Committee serves as the board’s Nominating Committee. Today’s agenda concerned the nomination of candidates for the election as officers of the Board of Trustees. Samantha Morales and Jim Lampassi expressed interest in serving as chair and vice chair, respectively, for another one-year term. No other nominations were received.

Trustee Davis read the first two motions:

The first motion was moved by Trustee Immerman and seconded by Trustee Lampassi. Hearing no discussion, it was unanimously,

VOTED: The Governance Committee of the Board of Trustees recommends Samantha Morales for the position of chair of the Board of Trustees for FY27, effective July 1, 2024.

Voting in the affirmative:	Immerman, Lampassi, Davis (chair)
Abstain	Morales
Voting in the negative:	None
Absent	None

The second motion was moved by Trustee Immerman and seconded by Trustee Morales. Hearing no discussion, it was unanimously,

VOTED: The Governance Committee of the Board of Trustees recommends Jim Lampassi for the position of vice chair of the Board of Trustees for FY27, effective July 1, 2026.

Voting in the affirmative:	Immerman, Morales, Davis (chair)
Abstain	Lampassi
Voting in the negative:	None
Absent	None

Chair Davis then moved to the next matter of business, which was the slate of trustees to serve on the Executive Committee. Trustee Lampassi moved the motion and Trustee Immerman seconded the motion and hearing no discussion it was unanimously voted,

VOTED: The Governance Committee of the Board of Trustees of Salem State University presents the following slate for the Executive Committee for FY 2027:

**Samanda Morales, Chair
Jim Lampassi, Vice Chair
Alyce Davis, Member
Steve Immerman, Member
Thatcher Kezer, member**

Voting in the affirmative:	Immerman, Lampassi, Morales, Davis (chair)
Voting in the negative:	None
Absent	None

With no further business to come before the committee a motion was made by Trustee Immerman and seconded by Trustee Morales, and by a roll call it was,

VOTED: To Adjourn

Prepared by: L. Montague, Board Secretary

With no other business to conduct Trustee Mattera asked for a motion to adjourn, Trustee Russell offered the motion which was seconded by Trustee Morales. By a roll call vote it was,

VOTED: to Adjourn

Voting in the affirmative: Mattera, Morales, Russell

Voting in the negative: None

Absent: None

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