

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES OF SPECIALLY CALLED BOARD MEETING  
AUGUST 3, 2017  
MEMPHIS, Tennessee

The Specially Called Meeting of The University of Memphis Board of Trustees was held at 11:00 a.m. CST, on Thursday, August 3, 2017, on the campus of the University of Memphis in Memphis, Tennessee.

**I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/DECLARATION OF QUORUM/NECESSITY OF THE MEETING**

Trustee Alan Graf, Chair of the Board of Trustees, called the meeting to order, welcomed the attendees and requested Interim Secretary Melanie Murry call the roll. Interim Secretary Melanie Murry called the roll, and the following members were present either in person or via telephone: Douglas Edwards, Alan Graf, Cato Johnson, Brad Martin, Carol Roberts, Susan Springfield, Katharine Taylor Schaffzin, Taylor Mayberry, and Marvin Ellison. A quorum was deemed to be present.

Chairman Graf announced that the meeting was an 'open meeting' and that the meeting was being webcast so that those unable to be present would be able to listen to the proceedings.

Interim Secretary Murry communicated the circumstances that necessitated the calling of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees which included:

- The preparation of the financing structure for the football practice facility, initial ground and utility preparation work;
- Project and it's timetable are vital to the continued growth and success of Tiger football, Athletics in general and the broader University;
- A recommendation has been made to name the new basketball training facility;
- The UofM's recommendation on the financing structure for the football practice facility must be made prior to the next State Building Commission scheduled for August 10, 2017;
- '1 C IO9 The basketball practice facility is nearing completion and approval is necessary for the naming of the facility so that the signage can be created in time for its 'opening.'

Chairman Graf called for a roll call vote regarding the necessity of the holding the specially called meeting. Motion made by Cato Johnson and was properly seconded. Roll Call vote was taken where all members present, either physically or electronically, voted affirmatively that the meeting should proceed.

Secretary Murry announced that the Trustees Johnson, Martin, and Springfield were participating electronically and, in accordance with Tennessee Code, asked each if they could hear the proceedings in the board room. She then asked whether the individuals physically present in the board room were able to hear those who were participating via the telephone. All responded affirmatively. Secretary Murry then asked each of the Trustees that were participating remotely is they had anyone present in the room with them and, if so, that they be introduced. All trustees participating remotely indicated that they were alone.

Trustee David North joined the meeting via telephone minute 00:10:00 of the recording. Trustee North was asked by Secretary Murry is he had any present with him in the room and he responded that he did not.

**II. APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH FOOTBALL FACILITY PHASE ONE AS A TENNESSEE STATE SCHOOL BOND AUTHORITY (TSSBA) DEBT FINANCED PROJECT**

Chairman Graf turned the meeting over to President Rudd for remarks. President Rudd requested that the UofM be permitted to move forward with Phase I of the football practice facility which would include the construction of a football training room, dining room, and football operation offices. Estimated cost for the project is \$10.6 million with \$10 million from TSSBA financing and \$600,000 from gifts for the current design of the facility. Administration of the construction of the facility would happen under TBR in their Office of Facility Development. Initial work on the utilities would begin immediately.

Chairman Graf asked for a motion to approve the financing structure for the football practice facility, including the ground and utility preparation work as described in the meeting materials. The motion was moved by Trustee Johnson and properly seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was passed unanimously.

**III. APPROVAL OF BASKETBALL PRACTICE FACILITY NAME**

Chairman Graf turned the meeting over to President Rudd for remarks. President Rudd proposed "Laurie Walton Family Basketball Center" as the name of the Basketball Practice Facility. The name was recommended by Tom Bowen, Athletic Director and Bill and Nancy Laurie. The Laurie's contribution to the "Time to Shine" capital campaign was the single largest for the Athletics program and the second largest to the University of Memphis, in general. The Basketball Practice Facility is scheduled to open early to mid-October 2017.

Chairman Graf asked for a motion to approve the naming of the Basketball Practice Facility to the "Laurie Walton Basketball Center" as outlined in the meeting materials. The motion was moved by Trustee Roberts and properly seconded.

Trustee Martin provided comments regarding his interaction with Bill and Nancy Laurie related to their contribution to the Campaign. Trustee Martin seconded the motion.

Trustee Edwards provided comments regarding the financial contribution of Bill and Nancy Laurie as well as the contribution to athletics by Bill Laurie and his teammates during their time as students at the UofM and the resulting positive impact to the reputation of the University.

A roll call vote was taken and the motion was passed unanimously.

**IV. OTHER BUSINESS**

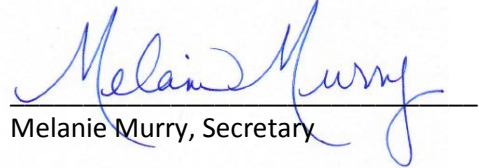
There was no further business to come before the Board.

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Chairman Graf to adjourn the meeting. The motion was properly seconded. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Melanie Murry, Secretary