



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

To: Tuskegee University Community

From: Norma Clayton,
Chair of the Board

Ruby Perry, DVM, PhD, DACVR
Acting President

Date: April 16, 2020

Subject: Annual meeting of the Board of Trustees

The Tuskegee University Board of Trustees (“Board”) held its annual meeting via teleconference on April 6, 2020. The annual meeting, which was scheduled for March 21 on the Tuskegee campus, was postponed due to the COVID-19 coronavirus global pandemic. Committees of the Board met and received reports from the university administration on March 20.

In addition to remarks delivered by Chairwoman Clayton, the annual meeting including reports from committee chairs, approval of academic programs, election of trustees, and other major board actions. The following are a summation of the major discussions and/or actions taken:

- 1) Acting President Perry delivered the president’s report and offered updates on the university’s conversion to online learning for the remainder of the semester as well as the current affairs of the university.
- 2) Executive Vice President and CFO, Sharron Burnett, provided an update on the university’s fiscal operations and the effects from the COVID-19 global pandemic. The university is currently reviewing the COVID-19 federal stimulus legislation and the potential financial impact on the university.
- 3) The Board approved the recommendation of the educational policies committee to offer the following degree programs:
 - a. **College of Arts and Sciences** – Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies (Online);
Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies (Online);
 - b. **R. R. Taylor School of Architecture and Construction Science** – Bachelor of Arts in Design;
 - c. **School of Engineering** (Minor in Material Science and Engineering)



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- 4) The Board approved the recommendation of the audit and enterprise risk management committee to accept the 2018-2019 single audit report prepared by the accounting firm Warren Averett LLC. and to approve the form 990 federal tax filing.
- 5) The Board re-elected Karl Minter, William Ritter, Tamika Tremaglio, Chereece Warner, and Barron Witherspoon to another three-year term.
- 6) The Board announced Sydney Jones, a member of the class of 2022, as the sole finalist for the Student Trustee position. Hailing from the rocket city of Huntsville, AL, Sydney is a second year student majoring in dietetics, with a minor in biology. The student body will ratify her selection as the student trustee in the fall semester.