

MINUTES OF RECONVENED MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF  
AUBURN UNIVERSITY

FEBRUARY 1, 2013

AGENDA  
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD  
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1. Approval of the November 16, 2012 Meeting Minutes
2. President's Report
3. Action Items and Committee Reports
  - A. Academic Affairs Committee/Chairperson Huntley
    1. Proposed Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
    2. Proposed Master's In Teaching of Writing
    3. Proposed Graduate Certificate Programs in the Teaching of Writing
    4. Proposed Graduate Certificate in Brewing Sciences
    5. Proposed Master of Turfgrass Management
  - B. Property and Facilities Committee/Chairperson Rane
    1. Authorization to Adopt General Aviation Minimum Standards, Rules and Regulations, and General Provisions
  - C. Executive Committee/Chairperson Lanier
    1. Reaffirmation of the Statement of Vision and Mission for Auburn University
    2. 2013-2014 Proposed Board of Trustees Meeting Dates
    3. Proposed Awards and Namings
4. Recess Meeting

MINUTES OF A RECONVENED MEETING OF THE  
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2013  
EAST ROOM, 10<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR LIBRARY TOWER  
AUBURN UNIVERSITY AT MONTGOMERY

The Board of Trustees of Auburn University reconvened for a meeting on Friday, February 1, 2013, in the East Room on the 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Library Tower on the Auburn University at Montgomery campus. President Pro Tempore Raymond Harbert convened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Upon roll call by Board Secretary Grant Davis, the following named members of the Board of Trustees were deemed to be in attendance:

John G. Blackwell, Bob Dumas, Sam Ginn, Elizabeth Huntley, Raymond J. Harbert, D. Gaines Lanier, Charles McCrary, Sarah B. Newton, Jim Pratt, James W. Rane, B.T. Roberts, Clark Sahlie, and Jimmy Sanford

The following named Trustee was absent:

Governor Robert Bentley

The individuals listed above represent all persons recognized as members of the Board of Trustees of Auburn University at the time of the meeting. Also sitting with the Board were Ralph Ioimo, Faculty Advisor (AUM), and AUM SGA President Darius Pettway.

Other persons in attendance at the meeting included the following:

Jay Gogue, President; Timothy Boosinger, Provost; Don Large, Executive Vice President; John Veres, Chancellor for AUM; Grant Davis, Secretary to the Board of Trustees; Lee Armstrong, General Counsel; Jane Parker, Vice President for Development; Brian Keeter, Director of Public Affairs; Sherri Fulford, Executive Director of Governmental Affairs; Dan King, Assistant Vice President for Facilities; Wayne Alderman, Dean of Enrollment Services; Royrickers Cook, Assistant Vice President for Outreach; John Mason, Vice President for Research; Drew Clark, Director, Institutional Research and Assessment; Larry Fillmer, Executive Director for Program Development; Camille Barkley, Interim Executive Director, Communications and Marketing; Joseph Ellis, Chair, AU Staff Council; Chuck Hunt, Chair, AU Administrative and Professional Assembly; Keivan Deravi, AUM Faculty President; William Sauser, AU University Senate Chair; members of the media; and others.

Mr. Harbert asked Mr. Armstrong if there were matters to be discussed in Executive Session. Mr. Armstrong indicated that there were pending or potential litigation matters to discuss. A motion was received from Mr. Harbert to move into Executive Session, seconded by Ms. Newton, and the Board of Trustees unanimously approved. Mr. Harbert announced that the meeting would reconvene within thirty minutes.

Mr. Harbert reconvened the meeting at 11:45 a.m. and thanked Trustees Ginn and Blackwell for their years of service. He stated that Board Policy provides that the status of Trustee Emeritus will be bestowed upon both of them. He then opened the floor for comments. Trustee Sarah Newton began by thanking them both for their love and support of Auburn University. Mr. Pratt and Mr. Roberts both echoed her comments and thanked both Mr. Ginn

and Mr. Blackwell for their years of hard work and dedication an Auburn University Board Members.

Mr. Harbert then asked for a motion to adopt the minutes from the November 16, 2012, meeting. A motion was received from Mr. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Huntley, and the following minutes were unanimously approved.

#### RESOLUTION

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

WHEREAS, copies of the minutes of the Reconvened Meeting on Friday, November 16, 2012, have been distributed to all members of this Board for review.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the minutes of its November 16, 2012, meeting are hereby approved as distributed.

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Mr. Harbert then called upon Dr. Gogue for the President's Report. At Dr. Gogue's invitation, Dr. John Veres presented a report from the AUM Campus. After reporting on the AUM campus, Dr. Veres called upon Dr. Elizabeth Woodard for an academic presentation on the writing program. Upon its conclusion, President Gogue thanked everyone for their reports and presentations.

Mr. Harbert then moved into Committee Reports as follows:

Academic Affairs Committee -- Chairperson Huntley. Ms. Huntley advised that earlier the Committee had reviewed several items and moved for adoption of a unanimous consent agenda. A second was received from Ms. Newton, and the Board unanimously adopted the following resolutions:

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#### RESOLUTION

#### PROPOSED BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

WHEREAS, Auburn University at Montgomery is the only university in its peer and aspirant groups without a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science a Bachelor's Degree, which is a basic part of undergraduate curricula in universities throughout the Nation; and

WHEREAS, Auburn University at Montgomery is one of three four-year universities in Alabama without a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science and Auburn University at Montgomery is the only university in its peer and aspirant groups without a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Mathematics at Auburn University at Montgomery has a Bachelor's Degree in Mathematics with an Option in Computer Science, and the School of Sciences wishes to expand this option to a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science; and

WHEREAS, the proposed degree program would provide Auburn University at Montgomery with a more comprehensive undergraduate program, and enhance enrollment of students desiring a computer science major and not a mathematics degree with computer science option; and

WHEREAS, the proposed degree program would position Auburn University at Montgomery to better serve Montgomery, Maxwell-Gunter Air Force Bases, and the State of Alabama, serve as a feeder program for the Master of Science Degree in Cybersystems and Information Security, and require the relatively minor investment of two faculty lines; and

WHEREAS, the request to create this undergraduate degree has been endorsed by the University Curriculum Committee, the Dean of the School of Sciences, the Provost, the Chancellor, and the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Auburn University's Board of Trustees that the proposed Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science from the School of Sciences at Auburn University at Montgomery be approved and submitted to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education for review and approval.

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## RESOLUTION

### PROPOSED MASTER'S IN TEACHING OF WRITING

WHEREAS, the AUM School of Liberal Arts seeks to provide students interested in teaching writing at the post-secondary school level an interdisciplinary program focused on the teaching of writing at that level and graduate education focused in this way on teaching composition can improve the teaching of writing in the community colleges, whose students often transfer to four-year institutions, including AUM; and

WHEREAS, positions as writing instructors for undergraduates are expected increasingly to be off the tenure-track, especially at community colleges, and so more appropriate to students possessing the Master's Degree than the Ph.D., and community colleges in Alabama, Maryland, New Mexico, and Illinois have expressed interest in having graduates of an AUM Master's of the Teaching of Writing program serve as interns in composition instruction; and

WHEREAS, the request to create this Master's in the Teaching of Writing has been endorsed by the Deans of the AUM's School of Business, School of Education, and School of Liberal Arts, and by its Provost, and Chancellor, and Auburn University's President.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Auburn University's Board of Trustees that the proposed Master's in the Teaching of Writing from the School of Liberal Arts be approved and submitted to the Alabama Council on Higher Education for review and approval.

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## RESOLUTION

### PROPOSED GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN BREWING SCIENCES

WHEREAS, the College of Human Sciences wishes to provide individuals with the opportunity to acquire additional knowledge and skills to excel in the field of Brewing Sciences; and

WHEREAS, such a graduate certificate would provide students with a professional development program that combines knowledge of the scientific principles of brewing with experience of the production and business practices of the brewing industry; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a graduate certificate program in Brewing Sciences would enable students and professionals from other relevant industries to enhance their credentials; and

WHEREAS, the College of Human Sciences would be among a limited number of institutions nationally that offer such a certificate program; and

WHEREAS, the request to create this graduate certificate has been endorsed by the Dean of the College of Human Sciences, the Graduate Council, the Provost, and the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Auburn University's Board of Trustees that the proposed Graduate Certificate in Brewing Sciences from the College of Human Sciences be approved, and forwarded to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education as an item of information.

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## RESOLUTION

### PROPOSED MASTER OF TURFGRASS MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS, the College of Agriculture seeks to create a new graduate degree program leading to the Master of Turfgrass Management; and

WHEREAS, the proposed degree program would offer a unique plan of study to students and professionals interested in pursuing a graduate education in areas related to turfgrass science and management; and

WHEREAS, students and professionals enrolled in the program would complete approved graduate courses offered via distance learning; and

WHEREAS, the proposed degree option would not require any additional resources, faculty, or space; and

WHEREAS, the request to create this degree has been endorsed by the Dean of the College of Agriculture, the Graduate Council, the Provost, and the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Auburn University's Board of Trustees that the proposed Master of Turfgrass Management be approved and forwarded to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) for review and approval.

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Property and Facilities Committee - - Chairperson Rane. Mr. Rane advised that the Property and Facilities Committee had met earlier to discuss Authorization to Adopt General Aviation Minimum Standards, and General Provisions at Auburn University Regional Airport and moved for adoption of the resolution. A second was received from Mr. Blackwell, and the following resolution was adopted:

#### RESOLUTION

##### AUTHORIZATION TO ADOPT GENERAL AVIATION MINIMUM STANDARDS, RULES AND REGULATIONS, AND GENERAL PROVISIONS AT AUBURN UNIVERSITY REGIONAL AIRPORT

WHEREAS, Auburn University, owns and operates Auburn University Regional Airport ("the Airport"); and

WHEREAS, the Airport serves the commercial sector of the community as well as the University; and

WHEREAS, *General Aviation Minimum Standards, Rules and Regulations*, and *General Provisions* help ensure the Airport is commercially developed in an orderly, equitable, and safe manner; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration highly recommends the adoption of these documents; and

WHEREAS, these documents have been developed by a professional aviation consulting firm, have been reviewed by the Federal Aviation Administration, have been reviewed by the State's Aeronautics Bureau, have been endorsed by the Airport Advisory Board, and have been publicly advertised for comment; and

WHEREAS, adopting these documents are in the best interest of the University in fostering the development of the Airport.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Auburn University Board of Trustees ("the Board") that, in order to promote the safe, orderly and efficient use of the Airport, the Board has adopted these *General Aviation Minimum Standards, Rules and Regulations*, and *General*



*Provisions* found at <http://www.auoairport.com/pgd.html> together with such future changes, amendments, revisions, and alterations as shall be deemed necessary and appropriate by the President from time to time as these documents are implemented.

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Executive Committee - - Chairperson Lanier. Mr. Lanier indicated that several items required the attention of the Board of Trustees and called upon Dr. Clark for discussion of the first item, Reaffirmation of the Statement of Vision and Mission for Auburn University. Dr. Clark advised periodic review of the Mission Statement is a requirement of the SACS Commission on Colleges. He indicated are recommended no changes to the current statement. A motion to approve this item was received from Mr. McCrary, seconded by Mr. Pratt, and the Board unanimously adopted the following:

#### RESOLUTION

##### REAFFIRMATION OF THE STATEMENT OF VISION AND MISSION FOR AUBURN UNIVERSITY

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees periodically reviews and updates, as appropriate, the Statement of Vision and Mission for Auburn University; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees approved the current Statement on March 20, 1997, and certain amendments to the Statement on May 7, 2004; and

WHEREAS, after appropriate review, the President has determined that the Statement, as amended, remains current and comprehensive, accurately guiding the operations of Auburn University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the current Statement of Vision and Mission for Auburn University, as amended, is hereby reaffirmed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that subsequent review of the Statement of Vision and Mission for Auburn University be conducted periodically at the discretion of the President with appropriate recommendations to the Board for updates or revision of the Statement.

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Mr. Lanier moved to the second item, 2013-2014 Board of Trustees Proposed Meeting Dates. Mr. Lanier reminded everyone that the proposed dates had been sent out for review and asked if there were any questions. There being no questions, a motion to approve the meeting dates was received from Mr. Lanier, seconded by Mr. McCrary, and the Board unanimously adopted the following dates:



2013 – 2014  
Board of Trustees Meeting Dates

Friday, September 13, 2013 (AU Hotel)

Friday, November 15, 2013 (AU Hotel)

Friday, February 7, 2014 (AUM Campus)

Friday, April 11, 2014 (AU Hotel)

Friday, June 27, 2014 (AU Hotel)

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Mr. Lanier then moved to the next item, presentation of the resolution adopted on February 3, 2012, naming the Human Performance Lab II at the Auburn Montgomery Wellness Center as the Scharff-Olson Human Performance Lab. Mr. Lanier asked the Board Secretary to read the resolution and upon reading the resolution, Mr. Lanier thanked Dr. Olson for their support.

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Mr. Lanier then called on the Secretary to read the final resolution for consideration of adoption to name West Magnolia Street Entrance of Auburn University as the Ginn Gates, Ginn Concourse and Ann Vance Ginn Plaza. Upon reading of the resolution, Mr. Lanier moved for adoption, seconded by Ms. Huntley, and the Board unanimously adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

REQUEST TO NAME THE  
WEST MAGNOLIA STREET ENTRANCE OF AUBURN UNIVERSITY AS THE  
GINN GATES, GINN CONCOURSE AND ANN VANCE GINN PLAZA

WHEREAS, Samuel L. Ginn, a 1959 industrial management graduate and committed benefactor of Auburn University, enjoyed a notable and distinguished career in the telecommunications industry and has become one of the institution's most successful graduates; and

WHEREAS, he has continued to maintain a strong and dedicated relationship with his alma mater, serving in a number of capacities, including membership on the Auburn University Board of Trustees, and;

WHEREAS, his deep commitment and transformational gift to the College of Engineering have helped position the College at the forefront of engineering education, resulting in the Board of Trustees naming the Samuel L. Ginn College of Engineering in his honor, and;

WHEREAS, this gift enabled the College to establish the nation's first and only wireless engineering degree which has graduated an impressive number of students into the wireless and telecommunications fields; and

WHEREAS, he and his wife, Ann Vance Ginn, have made additional contributions to provide for a beautiful and functional entrance to the west side of the campus near the engineering complex, as well as a subsequent, significant pledge of support to Auburn University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the West Magnolia Street entrance to Auburn University be named the Ginn Gates, the Ginn Concourse and the Ann Vance Ginn Plaza in honor and recognition of their exceptional commitment to Auburn University.

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Mr. Ginn thanked Ann for all her support and love over the years and was honored that the resolution for the namings was adopted. Mr. Blackwell indicated his pleasure in serving as an Auburn University Board member and stated that he felt very blessed to be part of such a great University.

There being no further items for review, Mr. Harbert recessed the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Grant Davis". The signature is stylized with a large, circular loop at the end.

Grant Davis  
Secretary to the Board of Trustees