MINUTES OF A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OF

AUBURN UNIVERSITY

SCHEDULE AND AGENDA JULY 26, 2022 SPECIAL CALLED MEETING AT 10:00 A.M. CT AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Action Item
 - 1. Plainsman Park Improvements
- III. Recess Meeting

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As *President Pro Tempore* of the Auburn University Board of Trustees, Mr. Bob Dumas convened a special called meeting of the Auburn University Board of Trustees via Zoom video conference call on Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. CT.

After calling the meeting to order, *President Pro Tempore* Dumas called upon Board Secretary Jon Waggoner to call the roll. The following named members of the Board of Trustees were deemed to be in attendance via telephone conference call:

Ms. Caroline M. Aderholt; Mr. Michael A. DeMaioribus; Mr. Robert W. Dumas; Mr. Raymond J. Harbert; Ms. Elizabeth H. Huntley; Mr. James R. Pratt, III; Mr. James W. Rane; Mr. Quentin P. Riggins; Mr. B.T. Roberts; Mr. M. Clark Sahlie; Mr. James H. Sanford; Mr. Wayne T. Smith; Mr. Zeke W. Smith; and Mr. Timothy Vines.

Governor Kay Ivey, President of the Board, was absent from the meeting.

The individuals listed above represent all persons recognized as members of the Auburn University Board of Trustees at the time of the meeting.

Also joining the Board via Zoom video conference call were the following persons: Dr. Christopher B. Roberts, President; Mr. Jake Haston, Auburn University Student Government Association President; and Mr. Jon G. Waggoner, Secretary to the Board of Trustees.

The following persons were also in attendance via Zoom video conference call: Gen. Ronald Burgess, Executive Vice President; Dr. Vini Nathan, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; Ms. Jaime Hammer, General Counsel; Mr. John Morris, Senior Vice President for Advancement; Dr. Bobby Woodard, Senior Vice President for Student Affairs; Ms. Kelli Shomaker, Vice President for Business & Finance and Chief Financial Officer; Mr. Allen Greene, Director of Athletics; and Mr. Simon Yendle, University Architect.

President Pro Tempore Dumas welcomed those in attendance and indicated that there was only one item on the agenda. He explained that, due to there being only one item, it would be presented and then voted upon directly by the full Board without first passing through a committee for recommendation. President Pro Tempore Dumas stated that Mr. DeMaioribus, Chairperson of the Property and Facilities Committee, was closely involved in discussions regarding the item.

President Pro Tempore Dumas then called upon Mr. Simon Yendle for discussion of the agenda item.

Mr. Yendle reminded everyone that Phase I of the Plainsman Park Development Center project was completed in January 2021. Mr. Yendle explained that, in the fall of 2021, the Athletics Department proposed a second project, Phase II, to continue the improvements to Plainsman Park.

Mr. Yendle indicated that the Board of Trustees approved the project initiation of Phase II in September 2021 and the selection of Cooke Douglass Farr Lemmons of Jackson, Mississippi, as the project architect in November 2021.

Mr. Yendle commented that, since that time, the Athletics Department has determined that a more comprehensive set of improvements is needed for Plainsman Park to provide an enhanced fan experience and to ensure the Auburn baseball team facilities remain competitive with its Southeastern Conference and national peers.

Mr. Yendle stated that, given the increased scope of work, it is recommended that the original project be renamed as "Plainsman Park Improvements." He then explained that it is further recommended that the original selection of Cooke Douglass Farr Lemmons of Jackson, Mississippi, as the project architect be extended for the proposed project, Plainsman Park Improvements. Mr. Yendle shared that the retainment of the firm will allow the university to take advantage of the "excellent work" already completed on the original project.

Mr. Yendle concluded his presentation by stating that the request before the Board is to (1) rename the project as "Plainsman Park Improvements," (2) approve the initiation of the Plainsman Park Improvements project, and (3) engage Cooke Douglass Farr Lemmons of Jackson, Mississippi as the project architect.

Following discussion of the item, Mr. DeMaioribus moved for approval of the resolution. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wayne Smith and the resolution was approved by a voice vote.

The following resolution was approved:

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

PLAINSMAN PARK IMPROVEMENTS

RENAMING OF PROJECT AND APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND ARCHITECT SELECTION

WHEREAS, in the fall of 2021, the Athletics Department proposed the project initiation of the Plainsman Park Player Development Center – Phase II to improve the Plainsman Park fan experience; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees approved the Plainsman Park Player Development Center – Phase II project at its meeting on September 10, 2021; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting of November 12, 2021, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the selection of Cooke Douglass Farr Lemons, of Jackson, Mississippi, as the project architect; and

WHEREAS, the Athletics Department has determined that a more comprehensive set of improvements are needed for Plainsman Park to provide an enhanced fan experience and to ensure the Auburn baseball team spaces remain competitive with its Southeastern Conference and national peers; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project includes the following components:

- 1. <u>First Base Club</u>: Expansion of first base stands, premium seating, club space, concessions, and improved accessibility for the south entrance to Plainsman Park and the future Player Performance Terrace; and
- 2. <u>Right Field Terrace</u>: Expansion of first base stands over Player Performance Development facility, premium seating, and an enhanced concessions experience; and
- 3. <u>Green Monster Terrace</u>: Addition of a unique viewing area over the Green Monster including improved concessions and restrooms to support left field patrons; and

WHEREAS, given the increased scope of work, it is recommended that the original project be renamed to "Plainsman Park Improvements"; and

WHEREAS, it is further recommended that the original selection of Cooke Douglas Farr Lemons, of Jackson, Mississippi, as the project architect be extended for the proposed project allowing Auburn University to take advantage of the excellent work already completed by the firm on the original project; and

WHEREAS, this project will be financed by the Athletics Department through a combination of bonds, gifts, and Athletics Department funds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board of Trustees policy, "D-3, Capital Projects Approval", the initiation of this project and the architect selection must be submitted to the Board, through the Property and Facilities Committee, for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the initiation of the Plainsman Park Improvements project is approved and that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to perform the following tasks:

- 1. Engage Cooke Douglass Farr Lemons, of Jackson, Mississippi, as project architect to consult in the development of the facility program and project design; and
- 2. Limit the project planning and design development to the schematic design phase until such time as the program requirements, budget, funding plan, and site are approved by the Board.

President Pro Tempore Dumas thanked everyone for their attendance at the special called meeting and indicated that with there being no further items for review, the meeting was recessed at 10:15 a.m. CT.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jon G. Waggoner

Secretary to the Board of Trustees