# MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY Montclair, New Jersey

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES July 23, 2015

Present:

Ms. Susan Blount, Ms. Rose Cali, Mr. Christopher Clement, Dr. Susan Cole, Mr. Anthony

Fasano, Mr. Douglas Kennedy, Mr. Ralph LaRossa, Mr. Tom Maguire, Mr. William

Mullen, and Mr. Preston Pinkett

Absent:

Mr. Michael Carter, Dr. Francis Cuss, Mr. Mitchell Hersh, Mr. George Hiltzik, Mr. John

McGoldrick, Ms. Christine Padilla

Present by invitation: Dr. Tiffany Brown, Mr. Gregory Bressler, Mr. Jerry Cutler, Ms. Candace Fleming, Hon. Mark Fleming, Ms. Shivaun Gaines, Dr. Willard Gingerich, Mr. David Josephson, Mr. John Shannon, Ms. Maria C. Anderson, and Mr. Keith Barrack

Mr. LaRossa called the meeting to order in the Center for Environmental and Life Sciences, Room 120, at 10:30 a.m.

#### Statement regarding manner of public notice of meeting

Mr. LaRossa read the following statement regarding the public notice of the meeting: "Please be advised that in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting —July 23, 2015 — has been provided by distributing notices as required, properly posting 48-hour notice, and forwarding notices to designated newspapers and to persons requesting such notification.

Roll call — As reported above.

# Minutes from Executive Committee meeting of June 25, 2015

The members of the Executive Committee approved the minutes from Executive Committee of June 23, 2015 as distributed.

## Matters Presented by the Chair —Mr. LaRossa

Mr. LaRossa complimented the University on the excellent job done designing and constructing the Center for Environmental and Life Sciences and School of Business. Mr. LaRossa stated that prior to the public session the Board of Trustees met in closed session and received an update on legal matters, discussed personnel matters, and conducted its annual presidential evaluation.

#### Union Report

Professor Richard Wolfson congratulated the University on the outstanding new Center for Environmental and Life Sciences and School of Business building. Professor Wolfson thanked the University for limiting tuition growth to 2% for the second straight year and for maintain the summer tuition discount. Professor Wolfson asked to be provided greater detail regarding the University's annual budget and that there be greater public discussion regarding the budget. He also stated that he hoped any increased administrative costs supported the University's academic mission. Professor Wolfson questioned whether the University was too reliant on debt financing for portions of its capital construction program. Professor Wolfson concluded by questioning the appropriateness of President Cole's compensation.

#### Matters presented by the President — Dr. Cole

Dr. Cole announced that the University had received a historic \$20 million anonymous gift that will enhance the School of Buiness' academic programs, prepare its 2,800 students to transition to careers in business and create more productive collaborations with the business community. The School of Business ribbon cutting will take place on September 10, 2015. The opening event for the Center for Environmental and Life Sciences, which has extraordinary laboratories and magnificent public spaces, will occur in October. The University has broken ground on Phase II of the new School of Communications and Media building, which is scheduled for completion in December 2016. Reconstruction of Sprague Field has been completed. The new surface will provide a safe playing environment for the University's scholar athletes. Enrollment for the upcoming academic year is extremely strong, with over 3,000 freshmen enrolled. The University will welcome its first SAT optional class, which has produced a class with increased socio economic and geographic diversity and a higher grade point average than previous years. The University's residence halls are at 100% utilization and the University welcomes 22 new tenure track faculty. Dr. Cole introduced three new Deans: Dean of the School of Business A. Gregory Cant, Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences Robert Friedman, and Dean of Students Margaree Coleman-Carter. The President also introduced Dr. James German, Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education.

#### Personnel, Compensation, Nominations and Governance Committee

<u>Personnel actions</u> — Mr. LaRossa made a motion to approve:

13 - faculty appointments and  $\,\,7$  - professional/managerial staff appointments.

## Faculty Appointment: Tenure Track (AY16)

Name	Department	Rank	Degree	S
Nicole Lytle	Robert McCormick Center for Child Advocacy	Assistant	BA MA PhD	University of Toledo University of Toledo University of Toledo

#### Faculty Appointment: Non Tenure Track (AY16)

Name	Department	Title	Effective	Degrees	
Claudia Cortese <sup>1</sup>	English	Instructor	09/01/15	BA MFA	Kent State University Sarah Lawrence College
Erica Dolson <sup>1</sup>	English	Instructor	09/01/15	ВА	Villanova University

				MFA	George Mason University
Leslie Doyle <sup>1</sup>	English	Instructor	09/01/15	BA MA	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor University of Michigan, Rackham Graduate School
Elizabeth Martin <sup>1</sup>	English	Instructor	09/01/15	BA MFA	Hartwick College William Paterson University
Maryrose McInerney <sup>1</sup>	Commun. Sciences/ Disorders	Associate	07/01/15	BA MA PhD	Catholic University of America Western Michigan University CUNY, Graduate School
Donna Merchant <sup>2</sup>	Commun. Sciences/ Disorders	Assistant	09/01/15	BS MA AuD	Trenton State University Trenton State University University of Florida
Carrie O'Dell <sup>1</sup>	English	Instructor	09/01/15	BA MFA	Rhodes College Stony Brook University
Jennifer Russo <sup>1</sup>	English	Assistant	09/01/15	BA MA PhD	SUNY, Buffalo SUNY, Buffalo CUNY, Graduate Center
Steve Sobel <sup>3</sup>	Accounting/ Law/Taxation	Assistant	09/01/15	BA JD	Columbia University Columbia Law School

Shelagh Patterson <sup>1</sup>	English	Assistant	09/01/15	BA MFA PhD	CUNY, Hunter College CUNY, Hunter College University of Pittsburgh
Tavya Taylor Jackson <sup>1</sup>	English	Instructor	09/01/15	BMus MA	Montclair State University Montclair State University
Sasha Troyan <sup>1</sup>	English	Instructor	09/01/15	BA MA	Barnard College New York University

# Professional/Managerial Staff Appointment

Name	Department	Title	Effective	Degrees	
Aixa Marie Carmona	Undergraduate Admissions	Admissions Counselor for EOF/Select Populations	07/06/15	BA ,	Rider University
Ian Carter	Undergraduate Admissions	Admissions Recruiter	07/13/15	BA	Rider University
Peter Davis	Theatre/Dance	Production Manager	07/01/15	BFA	Garfield Senior College
Julissa Duran	Dept. of Commun.	Coordinator of Marketing/ Communications	06/29/15	ВА	Kean University
Carolina Gonzalez	Center of Pedagogy	Director, Teacher Education	07/06/15	BS	SUNY, New Paltz
C V	2 0 444 6 9 6 7	Advocacy Center		MS	SUNY, Albany
Ryan Klutsarits	Auxiliary Services	Director of the Conference Center	07/06/15	ВА	Drew University

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>one-year, temporary appointment <sup>2</sup>one-year, half time, temporary appointment <sup>3</sup>one-year, three-quarter time, temporary appointment

Jessica Ryan Miller Technology Services

Technology Services Supervisor CEHS 07/06/15 BA

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The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

No. <u>3019</u>

<u>Academic Affairs and Facilities Committee</u> — Mr. Maguire reported that the Academic Affairs and Facilities Committee reviewed the minutes from its June 25, 2015 meeting and received a capital project report. The committee also reviewed contract award authorizations that the Audit, Finance, and Investment Committee will present for action by the full Board.

<u>Audit, Finance and Investment Committee</u> – Ms. Cali reported that the Audit, Finance and Investment Committee reviewed its minutes from its meeting of June 25, 2015.

#### Contract award authorization

Ms. Cali moved that the Board of Trustees authorize awarding of the following contracts:

- Architectural Services (Environetics) \$352,000
- Exercise Science Equipment (Innovative Sports Training) \$36,600

The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

No. 3020

#### FY 2016 Tution and Fees

Ms. Cali moved that the Board of Trustees approve the tuition and fee rates for Fall 2015 through Summer 2016. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

No. <u>3021</u>

# FY 2016 Meal plan and room rates

Ms. Cali moved that the Board of Trustees approve the room and meal plan rates for Fall 2015 and Spring 2016. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

No. 3022

Ms. Cali moved that the Board of Trustees approve the fiscal year 2016 operation budget for Montclair State University. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

No. <u>3</u>023

Motion to enter closed session: Mr. LaRossa made the following motion, which was seconded and approved unanimously:

Be it hereby further moved pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 that the Montclair State University Board of Trustees shall enter into Closed Session prior to the next scheduled Public Session to discuss the following pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.b: 1) pending litigation filed against the University; 2) personnel matters; and 3) other matters which may arise consistent with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.b.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Keith D. Barrack