

Special Committee on Athletics Minutes

Chair Kelvin Lawson

Wednesday, June 1, 2022

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Kelvin Lawson, Chair

Chair Lawson called the Special Committee on Athletics meeting to order. Ms. Karai Lockley – Senior Associate Athletic Director of Business and Finance/Senior Woman Administrator called the roll. The following committee members were present, and a quorum was established: Trustee Ann Marie Cavazos, Trustee Thomas Dortch, Trustee Otis Cliatt, Trustee Bell and Chair/Trustee Kelvin Lawson.

Chair Lawson asked for a motion for the approval of the February 16, 2022 minutes. Chair Lawson motioned approval for the minutes and Trustee Dortch and Trustee Bell seconded and the motion was carried. No further action items were presented.

Sr. Associate Athletic Director of Business and Finance/SWA presented the FY22 operating budget and year-end projections. Additionally – FY23 budget was presented and reviewed at this time.

Interim Athletic Director Michael Smith provided the academic success of the department that included a total of 43 graduating student-athletes. Interim AD Smith also highlighted many student-athletes and their accomplishments on the playing surface including the very first SWAC Championship - Volleyball. The Athletic Department will continue to work with on-campus constituents to align programming and resources.

‘Great Things Moments’ underscored Coach Veronica Wiggins being inducted in the MEAC Hall of Fame, the 1968 relay team was enshrined into the Penn Relays Wall of fame and Coach Rudy Hubbard was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame.

Additional updates included Bragg Memorial renovations that will be complete prior to the first home game, a temporary LED scoreboard will be installed for the season and the Strike Tour will begin in Jacksonville – June 23.