



Executive Committee

June 7, 2021

Meeting via teleconference and streamed live on the Board's website

1:30 p.m.

MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM 1—CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Tennessee Tech Executive Committee met on June 7, 2021, via teleconference. The meeting was streamed live on the Board's website. Chair Harper called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Chair Harper asked Lee Wray, Secretary, to call the roll. The following members participated by teleconference:

- Tom Jones
- Teresa Vanhooser
- Trudy Harper

Other Board members, Daniel Hines, Thomas Lynn, Sally Pardue, and Rhedona Rose, also participated by teleconference.

Participating Trustees confirmed that they could simultaneously hear and speak to the Board members and they were the only person present in the location from which they were calling.

Meeting materials were provided to all Trustees in advance of the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 2—DETERMINATION OF NECESSITY

Chair Harper stated that pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated Section § 8-44-108(b)(3), "[i]f a physical quorum is not present at the location of a meeting of a governing body, then in order

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for a quorum of members to participate by electronic or other means of communication, the governing body must make a determination that a necessity exists.”

The following facts and circumstances necessitated a meeting by electronic means because a physical quorum was not present:

1. The Board is required to consider the important and time-sensitive matter of appointing a new Vice President for Student Affairs.
2. The Board is meeting via teleconference in recognition of the need to act on these important matters.
3. These facts and circumstances necessitate a meeting without a quorum physically present.

Tom Jones moved that the necessity existed to hold the Executive Committee meeting via teleconference without a quorum physically present. Teresa Vanhooser seconded the motion. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 3--APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS

Chair Harper stated that the President requested the Executive Committee approve the appointment of Dr. Cynthia Polk-Johnson to the position of Vice President for Student Affairs.

Dr. Polk-Johnson thanked everyone, stated she felt this position was a great fit for her, and she was excited about the opportunity to serve Tennessee Tech as Vice President for Student Affairs. She stated that she has dedicated her life to transforming students and even transforming generations.

Tom Jones moved to appoint Dr. Cynthia Polk-Johnson to the position of Vice President for Student Affairs. Teresa Vanhooser seconded the motion. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

President Oldham thanked the search committee for doing an outstanding job. He stated that an extensive national search was conducted, the search resulted in 140 applicants, and four finalists were brought to campus. He congratulated Dr. Polk-Johnson and stated that her start date was July 6.

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AGENDA ITEM 4--ADJOURNMENT

With there being no other business, Chair Harper adjourned the meeting at 1:48 p.m.

Approved,



Lee Wray, Board Secretary