

A stated meeting of the Purdue University Board of Trustees convened on Friday, December 13, 2024, at 11:03 a.m. in Stewart Center, Room 326 at Purdue University, West Lafayette.

Trustees present: Michael Berghoff, chairman; Sonny Beck; Kevin Boes; JoAnn Brouillette; Theresa Carter, Vanessa Castagna; Malcolm DeKryger; Michael Klipsch; Gary Lehman, vice chairman; and Shawn Taylor.

Officers and administrators in attendance included: Mung Chiang, president; Patrick Wolfe, provost and executive vice president for academic affairs and diversity; Chris Ruhl, chief financial officer and treasurer; Eva Nodine, vice president, deputy cfo, assistant treasurer, and assistant secretary; Steve Schultz, senior vice president and general counsel; Cindy Ream, corporate secretary and senior executive assistant to the Board; and Chris Holford, chancellor, Purdue University Northwest.

I. ROLL CALL

Chairman Berghoff called the meeting to order and noted all trustees were in attendance except for Theresa Carter who participated via conference call.

II. APPROVAL OF UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA

All five Committees convened a public meeting immediately prior to this Stated Meeting. Chairman Berghoff read the list of items on which the Committee voted to recommend full Board approval, which includes the unanimous consent agenda along with other routine items, as follows:

- Approval to Adopt Presidential Performance Metrics
- Ratification of Memorandum of Understanding for new Football Coach
- (WL) Ratification of:
 - C.B. Smith Endowed Professor of Hospitality and Tourism Management
 - Reilly Professor of Civil Engineering
- (PFW) Approval of New Degree, Applied Physics, M.S.
- (WL) Approval of Daniels School of Business Restructure
- (SW) Approval of Retirement Plan Amendments
- (PNW) Approval to Plan, Finance, Construct and Award Construction Contracts for a New Residence Hall
- (WL-IN) Approval to Execute Lease for a Portion of Lux on Capital
- (WL-IN) Approval of Resolution Expressing Continued Appreciation and Requesting Purdue Research Foundation Assistance with Real Estate Acquisitions
- (SW) Approval of Conflict-of-Interest Disclosures
- (SW) Approval of Exceptions to Nepotism Policy
- Adoption of Joint Resolution of Appreciation for Frank Dooley

Chairman Berghoff asked if any of the Board members wished to have an item removed from the consent agenda for further discussion. Upon proper motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to approve the unanimous consent agenda. Supporting materials were filed with the minutes.

III. FACULTY AWARDS RECOGNITION

President Chiang recognized individually those who received Faculty Awards of \$1M and above from August 2024 through November 2024. Supporting materials were filed with the minutes.

At this time President Chiang requested a pause in the meeting to introduce a special guest. Earl Goode, Chief of Staff for Governor Holcomb. Mr. Goode shared that he was in attendance on behalf of Governor Holcomb, who was not able to attend but sent his appreciation for what Chairman Berghoff had done for Purdue since 2009. Mr. Goode mentioned a few things that would always be part of Mr. Berghoff's legacy. He noted the recruitment and hiring of President Daniels and President Chiang, noting that Purdue has become one of the most respected organizations in the country under both their and his leadership. Mr. Goode said on a personal level that every time he hears him speak or even in casual conversation, Mr. Berghoff engenders joy, which is a remarkable attribute. Mr. Berghoff shared that his receiving the award was totally unexpected, noting what an honor and privilege it is to be presented with this honor.

IV. FACULTY PRESENTATION

Dr. Supriyo Datta, Thomas Duncan Distinguished Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering shared a presentation titled 'From Calculators to Smartphones'. A copy of Dr. Datta's presentation was filed with the minutes.

V. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Approval of Resolution of Appreciation for Friends of Purdue University

President Chiang profiled the gifts of \$1,000,000.00 or more which the university had received since the Board's stated Meeting on October 4, 2024. The donors of these gifts were recognized in the following Resolution of Appreciation:

WHEREAS, the following friends of Purdue University have generously contributed \$1,000,000 or more to move Purdue to greater excellence and preeminence; and

WHEREAS, the University wishes to acknowledge the significance of these gifts to new directions, advancements, and momentum in Purdue's history, progress, and future;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY:

1. That the University and the Trustees are grateful to these individuals for their leadership and support of Purdue University; and

2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Board of Trustees as part of the permanent record of the University.

FRIENDS: Marshall and Susan Larsen, to support Mitch Daniels School of Business; Mary Lee Gambone and Douglas Brooks, to support the School of Materials Engineering; the Hingst Family, to support Mitch Daniels School of Business; Brooke Patterson, to support the College of Pharmacy; Timothy and Wendy Connors, to support Intercollegiate Athletics; Douglas and Maria DeVos, to support Mitch Daniels School of Business; Thomas Froeschle, to support the College of Engineering; Marc and Carol Gill, to support Lyles School of Civil and Construction Engineering; Stephen Linowiecki, to support the Department of Psychological Sciences; Dave

and Christina Ricks, to support Intercollegiate Athletics; Anonymous, to support the School of Mechanical Engineering; and Anonymous, to support the School of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

President Chiang submitted the Resolution of Appreciation for Board approval, and Chairman Berghoff requested a motion.

Upon proper motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to approve the resolution. Supporting materials and a formal copy of the Resolution were filed with the minutes.

Mitch Daniels School of Business

Dean Bullard provided an update on the Daniels School of Business project, which is built around five strategic pillars: academic excellence, the integration of STEM and business, transforming the student experience, promoting freedom and capitalism, and fostering business partnerships. He highlighted the success of academic programs and provided an update on the Moveable Dream Hires program.

Dean Bullard also outlined the impressive growth in undergraduate enrollment, which has surged by more than 150% over the past six years. He noted that applications to the Daniels School increased by over 13% in the past year alone, underscoring the school's growing appeal and success.

Dean Bullard highlighted two distinguished visitors who were on campus in October, engaging with both students and faculty. He also emphasized the importance of corporate partnerships, noting that these industry connections play a crucial role in fundraising, student placement, and enriching the overall student experience.

In closing, Dean Bullard provided an update on the new building, mentioning that efforts are underway to sell named spaces within the facility. He emphasized that the building is primarily student-focused, designed to house classrooms and student services. A copy of Dean Bullard's presentation was filed with the minutes.

VI. UNIVERSITY STAFF

Chairman Berghoff asked Provost Patrick Wolfe to present the recommendations for the Distinguished Professor Candidates.

Provost Wolfe respectfully requested approval to appoint Dr. Ananth Grama as Distinguished Professor in Computer Science. Dr. Grama is an expert in Parallel and Distributed Computing and Computational Science of Engineering. Dr. Grama has served on various editorial boards and has received many awards.

Upon proper motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to approve Dr. Grama as Distinguished Professor in Computer Science. Supporting documents were filed with the minutes.

Dr. Grama thanked his wife for her support over the years. He thanked Dean Flesh and his colleagues.

Provost Wolfe next requested approval to appoint Dr. Eckhard Groll the Reilly Distinguished Professor in Mechanical Engineering. Dr. Groll is internationally recognized as a leader in thermal sciences as applied to advanced energy conversion systems, components, and their working fluids. Dr. Groll has received a number of awards from a variety of professional societies and is widely published. He was inducted into the Book of Great Teachers at Purdue.

Upon proper motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to approve Dr. Groll as the Reilly Distinguished Professor in Mechanical Engineering. Supporting documents were filed with the minutes.

Dr. Groll expressed appreciation and gratitude to the Board of Trustees, President Chiang for the appointment. He thanked the faculty of school, college and faculty levels. He thanked his wife of 35 years and said without her steadfast and unwavering support he would not have achieved this. He stated that he loves his job and it is the best job in the world.

VII. DESIGNATION OF TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVE FOR BOARD SERVICE

Chairman Berghoff noted the necessity to appoint a new designated representative for the PARI Board of Managers in light of his retirement and noted it will be Gary Lehman. Supporting documents were filed with the minutes.

Upon proper motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to approve Gary Lehman as a designated representative on the PARI Board of Managers.

VIII. RECOGNITION/APPRECIATION

Vice Chairman Gary Lehman then presented a Resolution of Appreciation for Chairman Mike Berghoff, expressing gratitude for his leadership. He acknowledged that Chairman Berghoff had set a high standard and had served as an exemplary model for future chairs, stating it will be difficult for anyone to follow in his footsteps. Mr. Lehman extended his personal congratulations to Chairman Berghoff.

Chairman Berghoff, in turn, thanked the Board for its support, crediting the collective efforts of the Board members, President Daniels, President Chiang, and the staff for the accomplishments achieved during his tenure. He emphasized that the success was the result of teamwork and shared values—hallmarks that help make Purdue unique among institutions of higher education. Chairman Berghoff reflected on the privilege of serving with his fellow trustees and expressed his excitement for Gary and Mike to assume their new leadership positions, in which they will continue the important work ahead. He concluded by expressing his honor in receiving the Resolution of Appreciation.

WHEREAS, Michael R. Berghoff has served on the Purdue University Board of Trustees for the past 15 years and has served as its chair since 2015; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as trustee, Mike has also served as chair of the board's physical facilities committee, as the board's liaison to the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, as chair of the Board of Trustees of Purdue University Global, and as a member of the inaugural Board of Managers of Purdue Applied Research Institute; and

WHEREAS, Mike has provided indispensable governance in leading the university through unprecedented growth and success while guiding it through significant challenges in the higher education landscape and keeping it operational through a global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Mike's strategic thinking, team building, tireless work ethic and self-effacing humor have consistently helped translate thoughtful deliberation to action-oriented execution; and

WHEREAS, during his service on the board, Mike and his fellow trustees recognized the need for colleges and universities to make affordability a top priority, leading to 13 consecutive years (2013-26) without a tuition increase at Purdue while continuing to invest in the important work and land-grant mission of the institution; and

WHEREAS, during Mike's tenure, Purdue experienced new heights in enrollment, national and global rankings, and research breakthroughs, while two presidents, several deans, key administrators and numerous faculty members joined the university — all helping to raise Purdue's reputation and standing among the world's top institutions of higher education; and

WHEREAS, Mike and his fellow board members committed to the launch of bold, impactful initiatives through Purdue Moves in 2013, Purdue's Next Moves in 2021, Purdue Computes in 2023, and Purdue One Health in 2024; and

WHEREAS, Mike promoted the design and creation of the Giant Leaps Master Plan in 2018 – focusing on strategic investments in teaching, research and collaboration spaces; facility renovations; housing and dining investments; open space connectivity and campus circulation; and the campus identity and gateways – with the goal of laying the foundation for the next 50 years of giant leaps; and

WHEREAS, during Mike's time on the board, Purdue enjoyed record innovation and commercialization activity, record fundraising and the significant growth of the physical plant in West Lafayette, across Indiana and beyond; formed new, vital partnerships, including with Rolls-Royce, Saab, Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories and SK hynix; and secured the return of commercial air service and a planned new terminal for Purdue University Airport; and

WHEREAS, Mike drove a comprehensive marketing plan to further enhance the university's iconic brand and helped guide the launch of Purdue for Life Foundation to coordinate alumni engagement, development and stewardship activities under a unified "One Purdue" banner; and

WHEREAS, Mike and his fellow board members also recognized the importance of broadening the university's land-grant mission in the 21st century through the acquisition and launch of Purdue Global, Purdue's online university for working adults; and

WHEREAS, Mike and his fellow board members oversaw the launch of Purdue's expansion into Indianapolis with its first comprehensive urban campus in our capital city—a transformational initiative designed to spur economic growth, brain gain and job creation for the state of Indiana; and

WHEREAS, Mike served as chair of the 2012 presidential search committee, chair of the 2016 search committee for the director of intercollegiate athletics, and a member of the Purdue Research Foundation Board and Purdue Fort Wayne transition team; and

WHEREAS, Mike, who was a member of the football team during his time as a student-athlete at Purdue, played an integral role as trustee in navigating numerous Purdue Athletics issues, and he celebrated with Boilermakers worldwide when the men's basketball team reached the 2024 NCAA Tournament's national championship game; and

WHEREAS, Mike is founder and president of the Lenex Steel Corporation, headquartered in Indianapolis and the largest steel fabricator in the region, which donated fabrication and the installation of the Tyler Trent Student Gate at Ross-Ade Stadium; and

WHEREAS, Mike is currently a member of the board of directors for the Indiana Chamber of Commerce and has been inducted into the Boiler Business Exchange of Indianapolis Hall of Fame in 2024; and

WHEREAS, Mike has held many leadership positions in community and professional organizations, having served as president of the Purdue Theta Chi alumni corporation, president of St. Simon the Apostle Parish, a member of the Cathedral High School board of directors and chairman of the board of directors for the Young Presidents' Organization; and

WHEREAS, Mike earned a bachelor's degree in industrial management in 1985 from Purdue, where he served as chairman of the Purdue Student Publishing Foundation and president of Theta Chi fraternity; and

WHEREAS, Mike has been called "the most committed, selfless Boilermaker in all of Boiler Nation" and "one of the best Boilermakers ever";

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY:

- 1. That the Trustees recognize the positive impact of Michael R. Berghoff's tenure as a board member and chairman; and*
- 2. That enormous gratitude and appreciation are expressed to Mike for his generosity, loyalty and service to Purdue University; and*
- 3. That Mike is to be congratulated and thanked for his tremendous contributions to our University; and*
- 4. That his many achievements are part of the great, permanent history of Purdue and will never be forgotten; and*
- 5. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Trustees as part of the permanent record of the University.*

Upon proper motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to approve the Resolution of Appreciation for Mike Berghoff. A copy of the Resolution was filed with the minutes.

As a final action, Mr. Lehman respectfully requested approval to designate and name Purdue Memorial Union, Room 204 as "the Berghoff Suite."

Whereupon, after an additional motion duly made and seconded, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to approve the designation and naming of PMU Room 204 as the "Berghoff Suite."

Retaining the floor, Vice Chairman Gary Lehman next took a moment to recognize Kim Weldy, who will be retiring at the end of December after 19 years of dedicated service to the University. He expressed his gratitude for her invaluable contributions, particularly in the Trustees office and as a provider of key early support to the Office of Legal Counsel after its formation in 2013, and he highlighted her unwavering dedication throughout her tenure. Vice

Chairman Lehman extended a personal thanks to Kim for everything she has done for the Board, noted that she will be greatly missed. He wished her all the best in her well-deserved retirement.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

By consent, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.