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Call to Order

The Board of Trustees of Delaware State University (“BoT”) held a virtual meeting on Friday, November 13, 2020, via WebEx. Dr. Devona Williams, Chair of the Board of Trustees, called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Roll Call by Ms. Tamara Stoner, University Secretary

<u>ATTENDEES</u>	
BOARD MEMBERS	DELAWARE STATE UNIVERSITY
Dr. Devona Williams, Chair	Tony Allen, Ph.D., President
Mr. John Ridgeway, Vice Chair	Dr. Saundra Delauder, Provost
Mr. Leroy Tice, Esq.	Mr. Cleon Cauley, COO
Dr. Debbie Harrington	Dr. Irene Hawkins, CAO and VP of Human Resources
Ms. Jocelyn Stewart	Dr. Stacy Downing, VP of Student Affairs
Ms. Lois Hobbs	Dr. Vita Pickrum, VP of Institutional Advancement
Mr. Harold Stafford	Mr. Antonio Boyle, VP of Strategic Enrollment Management
Ms. Margie Lopez Waite	Ms. LaKresha Moultrie, General Counsel
Gov. Michael Castle	Ms. Jackie Griffith, Special Assistant to the President and Director of Government & Community Relations
Mr. Norman Griffiths, Esq.	Mr. Herman Wood, Associate Vice President Capital Planning & Facilities Management
	<u>Other Attendees:</u> Dr. Derrick Scott Kenisha Ringgold, Asst. General Counsel David Walkerman Max Williamson

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Operations Committee (OC) – Mr. Ridgeway

Mr. Ridgeway reported that the OC met earlier on November 13 to discuss recommending to the BoT 6 contracts and grant related to DSU’s COVID-19 Testing Lab at the Wilmington (Kirkwood) campus. Dr. Derrick Scott provided a PowerPoint presentation to the BoT

describing the details of each contract and grant.

The “Current Testing Model” uses a nasal swab test supplied by Guardant located in California. This vendor relationship is through DSU’s current testing partner Testing for America. Students, faculty, and staff are tested twice a week on DSU’s Dover campus. Samples are shipped to California for processing and results are received within 30-36 hours. Each test costs about \$50.00. The total cost to date is \$1.7MM.

The “New Testing Model” will be a saliva-based test which has the same accuracy as the current testing model. Each sample is about \$5.00 with no cost to DSU participants. Samples will be shipped to the DSU’s Wilmington campus for processing. Results will be received within 24 hours.

The project team includes: Dr. DeLauder, Mr. Cauley, Dr. Scott, Ms. Moultrie, Mr. Wood, NCC Executive Matt Meyer, and TFA Advisor Dr. Neil Hockstein.

- i. Action Item #1: New Castle County CARES Act Funding Grant totaling \$5MM (includes: \$1.3MM to build CLIA Certified Lab; \$3MM for lab equipment and materials; and \$600K in consulting fees). The contract and grant approval deadline is December 15, 2020.
[Motion to approve the grant as presented by Mr. Ridgeway; 2nd by Ms. Hobbs; Motion carried]
- ii. Action Item #2: Beckman Coulter Contract (\$402,073.40)
[Motion to approve the contract as presented by Mr. Ridgeway; 2nd by Mr. Stafford; Motion carried]
- iii. Action Item #3: Life Technologies Contract (\$392,793.90)
[Motion to approve the contract as presented by Mr. Ridgeway; 2nd by Dr. Harrington; Motion carried]
- iv. Action Item #4: Illumina Contract (\$1,989,934.00)
[Motion to approve the contract as presented by Mr. Ridgeway; 2nd by Mr. Griffiths; Motion carried]
- v. Action Item #5: Edis Contract (\$1,317,544.00)
[Motion to approve the contract as presented by Mr. Ridgeway; 2nd by Mr. Griffiths; Motion carried]
- vi. Action Item #6: Discover Life Sciences Contract (\$500,000)
[Motion to approve the contract as presented by Mr. Ridgeway; 2nd by Mr. Griffiths; Motion carried]

[Motion to approve OC Report by Mr. Ridgeway; 2nd by Mr. Griffiths; Motion carried]

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Board of Trustees Retreat, December 3-4, 2020

NO EXECUTIVE SESSION

[Motion to Adjourn by Mr. Stafford; 2nd by Mr. Griffiths; Motion carried]

ADJOURNMENT 1:46 p.m.