




# December 2017 UofM Board of Trustees

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<b>Schedule</b>	Thursday, December 07, 2017, 02:00 PM — 03:00 PM CST
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<b>Organizer</b>	Jean Rakow






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# 1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

Presented by Alan Graf



## 2. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum

Presented by Melanie Murry



### 3. Approval of Minutes - October 4, 2017

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 4, 2017 MEMPHIS, Tennessee

The University Of Memphis Board Of Trustees was called to order at 1:30 p.m. CST, on Tuesday, October 4, 2017, on the campus of the University of Memphis in Memphis, Tennessee.

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Alan B. Graf, Jr called the meeting to order, welcomed the attendees and introduced the participants sitting at the main table: Acting Secretary and Legal Counsel Melanie Murry, Provost Karen Weddle-West, Trustee Doug Edwards, Trustee Carol Roberts, Trustee Cato Johnson, Trustee Brad Martin, Trustee Kate Schaffzin, Trustee David North, Trustee Susan Springfield, Trustee Taylor Mayberry and President M. David Rudd.

Chairman Graf indicated that there would be a change in format of the meeting to include presentations in addition to voting on items requiring approval.

#### **II. ROLL CALL**

University Counsel and Acting Board Secretary Melanie Murry called the roll, and the following members were present: Douglas Edwards, Alan Graf, Cato Johnson, Brad Martin, David North, Carol Roberts, Katharine Schaffzin and Susan Springfield. Trustee Marvin Ellison was absent. Secretary Murry announced that a quorum was present.

Members of the administrative staff, faculty, students and media representatives were also present.

#### **III. OPENING REMARKS**

None provided.

#### **IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

The minutes from the June 6, 2017 and August 3, 2017 meetings of the Board of Trustees were circulated to the board via the October 4, 2017 meeting materials. These minutes were included in a consent agenda. Chairman Graf called for a voice vote. The voice vote was unanimous approving the minutes for both meetings.

#### **V. PRESENTATION BY PRESIDENT RUDD**

Chair Graf turned the meeting over to President Rudd for comments.



President Rudd reminded the board of the core focus of the University (student success, community engagement, national visibility, facilities improvement, research and entrepreneurship and institutional effectiveness.

- The University just completed a SACS review of governance change that required the efforts of many across campus. The University has been recommended for approval with no requested modifications.
- Dr. Rudd reported that it was a good year legislatively for the UofM. The UofM realized an overall increase in operating funds, a salary increase that was partially funded (60% of increase funded by the State of Tennessee), a significant allocation of capital maintenance dollars, an allocation for the Scheidt Family Music Center and an allocation for the Memphis Research Consortium. The University is enhancing parking in the area where the new Music Center will be located. This will happen prior to breaking ground on the new building.
- In the upcoming legislative session, the University of Memphis will be part of a major initiative titled RISE (Research Investment for a Strong Economy) for the purpose of expanding our research base at all of the LGI partner institutions, as well as UT Martin and UT Chattanooga. Additionally, we are asking to include two buildings at the Lambuth Campus in an \$11M capital request for remodeling: Sprague Hall and Spangler Hall. These buildings would be geared primarily towards doubling the size of our Nursing program at the Lambuth site. We will also make a research modernization request to the legislature in future years.
- UofM had another low tuition increase year for the current academic year. Although any tuition increase is problematic for students, it is critical for the UofM to have funds to support the infrastructure on our campuses and reward our faculty and staff for the outstanding work that they do. Our increases are averaging about 2% per year over the past four years, in contrast to an 8% average increase over the last 15 years. We are striving to make our university accessible and affordable both locally and nationally for students. Our tuition fee increase was the lowest of all of the LGI universities across the State.
- We have an increase in freshman enrollment to 2,712, a 26% increase in enrollment over 2015. The UofM is attracting higher quality students as indicated by the average increase in ACT scores and an increase in yield from our top categories. We have also realized 5.9% growth overall as compared to 2015.
- The UofM has realized a 15% overall increase in total graduates and a 26% increase in undergraduates completing their programs as compared with a decade ago.
- For the first time, more than 1,000 students are enrolled at the Lambuth campus. We are actively discussing initiatives for expanding Lambuth which you will hear about over the coming months.
- UofM Global is our fastest growing division at the UofM.
- Dual enrollment exceeds 1,300, with a goal of 1,500.
- Our goal for first-time, full-time freshman is 3,000.

- The THEC Quality Assurance Funding Scores, which represents the overall quality of experience that our students have on campus, continues to improve. We expect that score to be 93 for the 2016-17 academic year.
- The budget for the UofM is the largest for the local governed institutions across the state at \$499 million.
- We have raised over \$96 million over the past three years, averaging \$32 million per year.
- We will work on strategic planning over the next year. Part of what we want to improve is neighborhood connectivity, safety, livability and walkability in the community around the main campus.
- We are working to increase in the research classification to Carnegie 1. Dr. Rudd is working with Drs. Meyers and Weddle-West on these efforts. An announcement will be made in December related to the renewed effort and investments to grow both research capacity and research efforts as we target Carnegie 1 status. This effort is to be considered a long-term goal.
- On an entrepreneurial front, we have launched UMRF Ventures, one of the more creative and arguably one of our most effective initiatives. UMRF allows us to uniquely support our students through well-paying, competitive on-campus jobs.

The upcoming year will be focused around strategic planning and will be done within the frame of the entrepreneurial spirit unique to Memphis.

## **VI. PRESENTATION BY PROVOST WEDDLE-WEST**

Chairman Graf turned the meeting over to Dr. Karen Weddle-West.

Provost Weddle-West acknowledged the faculty and staff efforts toward accomplishing the growth and quality success at the UofM.

- Dr. Weddle-West, at the request of the Board of Trustees, presented an overview of the undergraduate, certificate, masters and doctoral programs offered at the UofM. Currently UofM offer 54 undergraduate degree programs, 59 masters programs, 28 doctoral programs and 44 graduate certificate programs.
- Dr. Weddle-West also discussed the ABM offerings - 19 accelerated undergraduate and masters programs which allow students to complete both bachelors and master's degrees within five years.
- The university has grown the number of colleges and schools to 14, including the Helen Hardin Honor's College.
- UofM has a challenging population in that 51% of freshman class are Pell eligible. These students lack physical and material resources. The State of Tennessee has made Access and Diversity Funds available following the Geier desegregation settlement. Governor Haslam has continued the allocation of these funds which help us facilitate the success of these students by providing gap funding (Memphis Advantage Scholarship) for the students that results from the difference between Pell grants and tuition and fees. The

funding enables the students to continue with their programs without taking out federal loans. Students who receive these funds have higher retention and graduate rates than students who receive Pell but don't receive the scholarship. The dollars are also available for first generation students working toward their Ph.D.'s and Master's in Fine Art's degrees through the Fellowship Program.

- At the Cecil C. Humphrey's School of Law, the monies have helped 524 students of various ethnicities matriculate to law school as a result of the access and diversity funding of the Tennessee Institute of Pre-Law (TIP), a summer bridge program.
- Our enrollment continues to reflect a higher achieving and global scholar students. Students come from 49 states and 15 countries. Sixty-four percent of our students receive the Hope Scholarship and 21% are enrolled in the Helen Hardin Honors Program.
- The UofM has graduated more than 4,000 annually over the past four years. We have graduated the highest number of undergraduate and doctoral degrees.

## **VII. CAMPUS MASTER PLAN OVERVIEW**

Chairman Graf turned the meeting over to Mr. Tony Poteet.

- Campus master plan is realized through projects funded by the State of Tennessee (capital outlay and capital maintenance) and disclosure and local projects that are funded internally.
- The University is working on five major funded projects: Basketball Practice Facility, Wellness and Fitness Center, Parking Garage and Land Bridge, Football Practice Facility, and the Music Center.
- Center for Health and Wellness is the new name for our Recreation Center. It will encompass 75,000 square feet and, combined with our existing facility which we will retain, will provide almost 200,000 square feet of recreation space. The facilities have been reprogrammed with an emphasis towards academics and will be led by the School of Health Studies.
- Alumni mall will have an amphitheater, pedestrian mall, land bridge to a plaza and parking garage.
- Athletic facilities:
  - Basketball Training Center on the Park Avenue campus is almost complete.
  - Football Training Center on the Park Avenue campus is funded and is expected to begin after the current football season is completed. Phase I will include a therapy pool, training facility, multi-use player area and football operations offices. Phase II will include an enclosed football field.
  - Small addition to the FedEx Baseball Park is providing locker rooms and team meeting room.
- Patterson Avenue re-alignment will begin next year to provide parking without crossing the street which will decrease safety concerns.
- Music Building is funded and the architect has been chosen. It is expected that the building will have a profound impact on the School of Music, the students and the community to

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have a building of this quality in the place. It will have a large assembly hall, recording studio, rehearsal spaces, accommodations for the band, etc. The space will provide opportunities for cultural expansion, including: music, ballet, symphony and opera.

- Maintenance projects
  - Average age of buildings is 59 years
  - Industry standards indicate that we should be putting in \$25 to \$30 million per year into capital maintenance. We are putting in less than \$10 million per year. All deferred maintenance and modernization for the UofM exceeds \$500 million. Priority is mechanical systems, building envelope and space for new facilities.
  - Over the past years, we have completed door replacement on our academic buildings which includes security features for automatic lockdown. Will need to be expanded in the future to include the Park Avenue campus and residential facilities.
  - Roof replacement project is in design for E&G facilities which would include Business, Theatre, CFA and the Administration Building.
  - Building Envelope Repairs includes window, brick, stone with a focus on keeping water and mold out of the buildings.
  - The UofM has \$22 million of HVAC work which needs to be completed. Buildings need either complete replacement of the systems or replacement of the major components of the systems.
  - The UofM has \$4 million in Code and Safety upgrades.
  - There is a new electrical feed run to main campus and south of the tracks. The original feeder was put in during the 1960's. The feeders will cost approximately \$3 million.
  - Energy conservation projects totaling approximately \$5 million include: LED exterior lighting, chiller replacements, and sub meters in various locations.
  - Current projects include: Advanced Manufacturing Research Lab, Memorial Track resurfacing, entry gate at Getwell, Student Housing (Rawls Hall and Smith Hall) roof and brick repair, demolition of Epworth on the Lambuth Campus, and restoration of the Defense Audit Building.
  - UofM is spending approximately \$2.3 million for local projects that include classroom improvements, renovation projects and maintenance and safety projects.
- Future projects
  - Lambuth Nursing Renovations
  - Engineering Research Facility
  - Research Modernization
  - Disclosure Projects: Alumni Faculty House, Park Avenue Housing, Wilder Tower 12<sup>th</sup> floor, Natatorium facility, parking expansion, tennis facility and parking garage north

## **VIII. REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE**

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Chairman Graf recognized Trustee Carol Roberts, Chair of the Audit Committee.

Audit Committee opened its meeting with approval of the minutes of the June 6, 2017 Audit Committee meeting.

Focus of the meeting included discussion around how the committee is going to structure the audit program in light of the new governance model and the interface between the committee and the Board of Trustees. Discussion of engagement opinions, rating systems, audit communications, how the Board of Trustees are informed of the things that need attention, and support of the internal audit team which is an independent group.

The committee also reviewed the internal staffing. Based on benchmarking of other LGI state institutions, our current staffing of 4 to 5 auditors seems to be in line. Staffing levels will need to be monitored as work is likely to shift from TBR staff to the University of Memphis staff.

Also went through the internal audit reports and investigations conducted during the first quarter 2018 by the Internal Audit department. It is very important that we ensure that the right things are happening, that any concerns/issues are communicated to the Audit Committee, are investigated thoroughly, and that the results are communicated to the Audit Committee expeditiously.

The Board of Trustees approved an Audit Committee Charter during its March 2017 meeting. The Charter was submitted to the Comptroller of the State of Tennessee for approval. The Comptroller provided a suggestion for change to include language that provided for the committee to ensure that policies and procedures are easy to access, including a confidential reporting mechanism, and that conflict of interest are addressed. These changes are included in the updated charter.

Chairwoman Roberts, on behalf of the Audit Committee, moved to approve revised Audit Committee Charter to the Board of Trustees. The motion was seconded by Trustee Johnson. Chairman Graf asked Secretary Murry to take a roll call vote. The roll call vote was taken and the motion to approve the Audit Committee Charter revision, as detailed in the meeting materials, was approved by a unanimous vote of the Board members present for the meeting.

Chairman Graf thanked Committee Chairwoman Roberts for her report and recommendations from the Audit Committee.

**IX. REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ACADEMIC, RESEARCH AND STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE**

Chairman Graf recognized chair of the Academic, Research and Student Success Committee Trustee Katharine Schaffzin.

Trustee Schaffzin reported on the topics of discussion from the morning's meeting. The issues discussed included:

- Academic program proposals for 1) Bachelor of Arts in Creative Mass Media and 2) Ph.D. in Counselor Education.
  - Background – Under the Focus Act, the Board of Trustees has the power “to prescribe curricula and requirements for diplomas and degrees” and the University has the authority to create new courses, terminate existing courses, determine course content or design, and carry out less extensive curriculum revisions. But, THEC still must review and approve new academic programs, off-campus extensions of existing academic programs, new academic units, and new instructional locations as specified in THEC policies.
  - The Committee discussed above referenced programs and voted to recommend approval of both.
- Tenure Upon Appointment for 1) Dr. W. James Jacob, Professor and Chair of the Department of Leadership in the College of Education and 2) Dr. Ali Fatemi, Professor and Chair of the Department of Mechanical Engineering in the College of Engineering.
  - Both provided extensive tenure and promotion materials.
  - The Committee discussed above referenced programs and voted to recommend approval of tenure for both.
- Provost Karen Weddle-West provided an overview of the degree programs which she summarized in her presentation to the full Board of Trustees.
- Provost Karen Weddle-West provided a summary of the use of the Access and Diversity Funds, which she also included in her presentation to the full Board of Trustees.
- Dr. Andy Meyers provided a snapshot of the activities of the Division of Research.
- The ARSS committee discussed future directions based on the presentations to the Committee and, moving forward the committee looks forward to a report of online programs offered by the University, an update on the Finish Line Program, and a post-audit of new and existing programs. In conjunction with the UofM's strategic planning process, have requested that the ARSS Committee be included to advise in how the University can reach its goals and determine where it wants to be in five years.
- Chairwoman Schaffzin, on behalf of the Academic, Student Success and Research Committee, made a motion to approve the two new academic program proposals for B.A. in Creative Mass Media and the Ph.D. in Counselor Education and Supervision which will be submitted to the Tennessee Higher Education Commission for approval. Trustee Roberts seconded the motion. Chairman Graf asked Secretary Murry to take a roll call vote. The roll call vote was taken and the motion to approve the academic programs, as detailed in the meeting materials, was approved by a unanimous vote of the Board members present for the meeting.
- Chairwoman Schaffzin, on behalf of the Academic, Research and Student Success Committee, made a motion to grant tenure for Dr. James Jacobs and Dr. Ali Fatemi upon appointment. Trustee Roberts seconded the motion. Chairman Graf asked Secretary Murry to take a roll call vote. The roll call vote was taken and the motion to grant

tenure upon appointment to Dr. Jacobs and Dr. Fatemi was approved by a unanimous vote of the Board members present for the meeting.

- The work of the Committee as the election of a chair and vice chair of the committee. Trustee Schaffzin thanked Trustee David North for agreeing to serve as vice chair of the committee. She highlighted the informational presentations shared with the committee by University personnel and guests, and recommended two items for Board approval.

#### **X. REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Chairman Graf presenting the following summary of the Governance and Finance Committee meeting:

- Approved a Delegation of Authority Policy for the President of the University.
- An update related to Paid Parental Leave was made to the committee by President Rudd. The policy to grant six weeks of paid parental leave to employees will be implemented as soon as the policy is put in place.
- The committee viewed a presentation on the capital budget and presentations from Tony Poteet.
- Optional Retirement Program review by Dr. Banning. The Faculty Senate would like support in changing legislation to provide relief that allows retirees to access all of their retirement funds rather than the 50% currently allowed. The Committee unanimously agreed to support this effort.
- The Governance and Finance Committee formed an ad-hoc Public Policy Committee. Trustee Cato Johnson has agreed to chair the committee that will include Trustees and other member, as needed. Trustee Johnson has a long tenure of working in Nashville on public policy initiatives and is well known by those working on these issues.
- Committee had further discussion on developing a long-term compensation strategy. Timeline parameters were set so that the Committee would have an acceptable policy for retention and reward for faculty by the beginning of the next fiscal year.
- Motions:
  - Chairman Graf moved that the Board accept the Delegation of Authority Policy as contained in the meeting materials. The motion was properly seconded and Chairman Graf requested that Secretary Murry call the roll for the vote. The vote was taken and the motion to accept the Delegation of Authority Policy, as contained in the meeting materials, was approved by a unanimous vote of the Board members present for the meeting.
  - Chairman Graf moved that the Board approve the Capital Budget request for 201/8-19 which was presented by Mr. Tony Poteet during his presentation with one revision submitted by staff and was discussed during today's committee meeting. The motion was properly seconded and Chairman Graf requested that Secretary Murry call the roll for the vote. The vote was taken and the motion to accept the Capital Budget with the stipulated revision, was approved by a unanimous vote of the Board members present for the meeting.

- Chairman Graf moved that a \$100,000 bonus be paid to President M. David Rudd based on his performance. The bonus will be paid from private funds raised by the University of Memphis Foundation. The motion was properly seconded and Chairman Graf requested that Secretary Murry call the roll for the vote. The vote was taken and the motion to pay a \$100,000 bonus to President Rudd was approved by a unanimous vote of the Board members present for the meeting.

**XI. INTERIM ACTION REPORT**

In accordance with the Interim Delegation of Authority of the President, approved on March 17, 2017, the following actions have been taken to ensure the efficient operation of the University and its programs: State Building Commission actions, numerous procurement contracts, and human resource actions that the President has approved and who has the full authority to do this going forward. These items are included in the meeting materials.

**XII. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE BOARD**

The date of the next scheduled Board Meeting is December 7, 2017 in Jackson, Tennessee on the Lambuth campus. The 2018 scheduled meetings are scheduled for: March 7, June 6, September 5, and December 5 – location and time to be determined.

**XIII. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

There was no additional business to come before the Board.

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:29 pm.

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Melanie Murry, University Counsel and  
Acting Board Secretary



## 4. Appointment of Board Secretary

For Approval

Presented by M. David Rudd

## **Recommendation to the Board of Trustees**

The University of Memphis Board of Trustees  
Agenda Item

Date: December 7, 2017

Item: Ad Hoc Public Policy Committee

Recommendation: Permanent Board Secretary

Presented By: President M. David Rudd

Recommendation: I move to appoint Melanie Murry as permanent secretary to the Board.

## 5. Presentation by President Rudd (Top Ranked Programs)

Presentation

Presented by M. David Rudd



## 6. Presentation by Provost Weddle-West

Presentation

Presented by Karen Weddle-West



## 7. Report and Recommendations of the Audit Committee

Presented by Susan Springfield





## 7.1. Chief Audit Executive

For Approval

Presented by Susan Springfield

The University of Memphis Board of Trustees  
Agenda Item

Date: December 7, 2017

Committee: Audit Committee

Item: Internal Audit Leadership

Recommendation: Approval

Presented by: M. David Rudd, President

**Background:**

According to the Bylaws of the Board of Trustees, the Board shall “appoint the Chief Internal Auditor for the University... who shall report directly to the Board's Audit Committee.” The Chief Internal Auditor position has been filled on an interim basis for the past seven months by Vicki D. Deaton.

**Committee Recommendation:**

The Audit Committee met December 7, 2017, and recommended approval of the appointment of Vicki D. Deaton, Senior Internal Auditor, to serve as the permanent Chief Internal Auditor effective immediately.

## 8. Report and Recommendations of the Academic, Research and Student Success Committee

Presented by Kate Schaffzin



## 9. Report and Recommendations of the Governance and Finance Committee

Presented by Alan Graf



## 9.1. Revised Budget Fiscal Year 2017-2018

For Approval

Presented by Alan Graf

The University of Memphis Board of Trustees

Agenda Item

Date: December 7, 2017

Committee: Governance and Finance

Item: FY2018 Revised Budget Recommendation

Recommendation: Approval

Presented by: Jeannie Smith, Interim Vice President Business and Finance

**Background:**

The General Appropriations Act requires that the operating budgets of all higher education units be submitted by the respective governing boards to the Higher Education Commission. Each Institution submits operating budget estimates two times each year. The proposed and revised estimates are referred to as the July 1 and October 31 operating budgets, respectively.

The University of Memphis revises the Proposed (Initial) Budget each fall to update revenue and expenditure projections. The FY2018 Revised Budget takes into consideration fall enrollments, the effect of any prior year's activities carried forward into the current year, and adjustments in state appropriations occurring since the FY2018 Proposed Budget was prepared and approved in June 2017.

The FY2018 Educational and General (E&G), Auxiliary Enterprises and Restricted revised budgets are within available resources and complies with all applicable policies and guidelines. Therefore, the University recommends approval of the Revised FY2018 Budget.

**Committee Recommendation:**

The Governance and Finance Committee met December 7, 2017, and recommended approval of the FY2018 Revised Budget as detailed in the meeting materials.



## 9.2. Directors and Officers Insurance

For Approval

Presented by Alan Graf

The University of Memphis Board of Trustees  
Recommendation

**Date:** December 7, 2017

**Committee:** Governance and Finance

**Recommendation:** Directors' and Officers' Insurance

**Presented by:** Melanie Murry, University Counsel

**Background:**

Although the University is self-insured as an entity of State government, the University has evaluated whether greater insurance protection is warranted especially considering the installation of the Board of Trustees.

Through the Director of the State of Tennessee Treasury Department, Division of Claims and Risk Management, and their broker, Aon, the University has evaluated possible coverage limits. Considering an analysis of the University's claims over the past three years and the costs of the insurance, it is recommended to procure Directors' and Officers' Liability and Educator's Legal Liability policy as well as Employment Practices Liability from AIG, each at a \$5,000,000 limit. The annual premium has been quoted as:

Directors' and Officers' and Educator's Legal Liability	\$35,356
Employment Practices Liability	65,757
Total combined annual premium	<u>\$101,113</u>

**Committee Recommendation:**

Recommend procurement of Directors' and Officers' Liability and Educator's Legal Liability policy as well as Employment Practices Liability from AIG, each at a \$5,000,000 limit. The annual premium for combined coverage has been quoted at \$101,113.

## 9.3. TBR Procurement Severance

For Approval

Presented by Alan Graf

## Recommendation to the Board of Trustees

The University of Memphis Board of Trustees

### Recommendation

**Date:** December 7, 2017

**Committee:** Governance and Finance Committee

**Recommendation:** Severance of Procurement and Capital Project Planning and Management from the Tennessee Board of Regents

**Presented by:** Jeannie Smith, Interim Vice President for Business and Finance

**Background:** Per the Focus Act amending Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 48-1-101: The FOCUS Act authorizes the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC) to solicit and receive requests from the state university boards to assume the performance of procurement, and capital project planning and management. THEC shall approve or deny a state university board's request to assume these functions.

In January 2017, THEC invited universities to express their intent to undertake FOCUS-designated responsibilities, including procurement and capital project planning and management, with the option to sever as early as December 2017. On March 13, 2017, President M. David Rudd submitted to THEC, the University of Memphis letter of intent to sever procurement and capital project planning and management from the Tennessee Board of Regents effective July 1, 2018.

The requirements, as set forth by THEC, are summarized in the attached document. The University has reviewed the procurement and capital project management severance requirements and is prepared to meet the requirements by July 1, 2018.

**Committee Recommendation:**

The Governance and Finance Committee met December 7, 2017, and approved a motion recommending the following action: approval of the severance of procurement and capital project planning and management from the Tennessee Board of Regents effective July 1, 2018, as contained in the meeting materials.

## 9.4. Naming of the Music Facility

For Approval

Presented by Alan Graf

## Recommendation to the Board of Trustees

The University of Memphis Board of Trustees  
Recommendation

**Date:** December 7, 2017

**Committee:** Governance and Finance Committee

**Recommendation:** Music Center Naming

**Presented by:** Dr. M. David Rudd, President

**Background:** University policy, **UM1368 Identification of Buildings and Facilities**, stipulates the Board of Trustees must approve requests for the naming of any building or facility or any portion of a building or facility after an individual. Recommendations for official building or facility names are submitted to the Board of Trustees by the President following the review and endorsement of the University Facilities and Services Standing Committee.

On June 13, 2016, the Facilities and Services Standing Committee received a request from Bobby Prince, Chief Development Officer for the University of Memphis, regarding the naming of the new music center. The proposed name, The Scheidt Family Music Center, was suggested by Rudi Scheidt, a long-time supporter of the University. The Scheidt family has made total commitments exceeding \$5 million toward the project, which is 50% of the initial fundraising goal. Upon review, the Committee supported the name as requested.

### **Committee Recommendation:**

The Governance and Finance Committee met December 7, 2017, and approved a motion recommending the following action: approval of the naming of the new music center as The Scheidt Family Music Center.

## 9.5. Land Acquisition

For Approval

Presented by Alan Graf

## The University of Memphis Board of Trustees

### Agenda Item

Date: December 7, 2017  
Committee: Governance and Finance  
Item: Land Acquisition  
Recommendation: Approval  
Presented by: Tony Poteet, Assistant Vice President Campus Planning and Design

#### **Background:**

The University of Memphis campus master plan receives approval from the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC) and the Tennessee State Building Commission (SBC). All land acquisitions and/or disposals are required to be in agreement with the state approved master plan. In order to proceed in an efficient and expedient manner, the University needs to be able to review potential acquisitions with the president quickly and before others with interests in the area are able to procure the property. The campus master plan has identified long-term uses for all the property identified in the approved land acquisition plans for main campus and Lambuth. There are no acquisition plans for enlarging the Park Avenue campus or any outlying centers.

#### **Committee Recommendation:**

The Governance and Finance Committee met on December 7, 2017 and recommends approval of the acquisition of property identified in the current University land acquisition plan.



## **10. Additional Business of the Board of Trustees**



## 11. Adjournment