Meeting Minutes West Virginia State University Board of Governors Full Board Zoom June 15, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

I. Call to Order

Governor Kelley called the meeting to order at 10:42 a.m.

II. Roll Call

The clerk called the roll. Members present were Governor Curtis, Governor Flores, Governor Jackson, Governor Jones, Governor Kelley, Governor Payne, Governor Pietruszynski, and Governor Saffore. Members absent were Governor Greenhowe, Governor McKibben, Governor Pitchford, and Governor Raines.

III. Special Recognition for Board Members

Prior to the Board meeting, a resolution was drafted to recognize Governor Curtis for her service on the Board of Governors. Governor Kelley read the resolution aloud and a ceremonial copy of the resolution was presented to Gov. Curtis. The Board members joined Governor Kelley in expressing their appreciation to Governor Curtis for her contributions to the Board and her dedication to the University. Governor Kelley noted that Governor Pitchford's term expired and she is not eligible for reappointment. Governor Raines's first term expired, but he is eligible for reappointment. A resolution for Governor Pitchford will be presented at a later time.

IV. Verification of Appropriate Notice of Public Meeting

Governor Kelley verified the Appropriate Notice of Public Meeting.

V. Approval of April 20, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Governor Jackson motioned for approval of the minutes of the April 20, 2023 meeting. Governor Flores seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

VI. Report from the President

President Cage provided updates on campus projects, the Strategic Plan implementation, and plans for the Capital Campaign. Additionally, he presented on the Certified Public Managers program, community engagement and partnerships, and upcoming summer business travel.

VII. Election of Officers

Governor Kelley opened the floor for nominations for officers. Governor Flores nominated Governor Kelley to serve as chair. There being no other nominations, the floor was closed. Governor Jackson seconded the nomination, and the motion carried.

Governor Kelley opened the floor for nominations for vice chair. Governor Payne nominated Governor Flores to serve as vice chair. There being no other nominations, the floor was closed. Governor Jones seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Governor Kelley opened the floor for nominations for secretary. Governor Flores nominated Governor McKibben to serve as secretary. There being no other nominations, the floor was closed. Governor Pietruszynski seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

VIII. Appointment of Presidential Review Committee

Pursuant with BOG Policy #61, Governor Kelley appointed the following members to serve on the Presidential Review Committee: Governor Jones (Chair), Governor McKibben, Governor Greenhowe, and Governor Flores.

IX. Approval of FY24 Meeting Dates

Governor Kelley called for a motion to approve the Board of Governors meeting dates for FY24 as proposed in the meeting materials. The meeting dates are September 7, 2023, October 26, 2023, December 8, 2023, January 31-February 1, 2024, April 18, 2024, and June 13, 2024. Governor Payne moved for approval of the proposed FY24 meeting dates. Governor Jones seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

X. Approval of BOG Policy #67 – Animals on University Property

Following a presentation from General Counsel Alice Faucett on BOG Policy #67, Governor Kelley called for a motion to approve the policy. Governor Payne moved that the Board approve BOG Policy #67 as presented. Governor Jackson seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

XI. Approval of Deferred Maintenance Resolution

A Deferred Maintenance Resolution was presented to the Board for approval prior to submitting the document to the Higher Education Policy Commission. Governor Jackson moved that the Board approve the resolution as presented. Governor Jones seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

XII. Yellow Jacket Enterprises, Inc.

WVSU Foundation Board members Mr. Matt Coleman and Mr. Greg Wilson presented on Yellow Jacket Enterprises, Inc. (YJE). The general purpose of YJE is to operate for the benefit, to perform the functions, and to carry out the purposes of fiscal sustainability for West Virginia State University. The presenters shared information on the YJE Board composition and highlighted potential projects.

XIII. Possible Executive Session under the Authority of West Virginia Code §6-9A-4 to Discuss Legal, Personnel, and Property Matters

Governor Jones motioned for approval to go into Executive Session under the authority of West Virginia Code §6-9A-4 to discuss legal, personnel, and property matters. Governor Flores seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Governor Flores motioned to arise from the executive session and reconvene into the regular session, and Governor Saffore seconded the motion. The motion carried. Governor Kelley asked for the record to reflect that the board only discussed items related to the topics listed, that no decisions or motions were made in executive session, and no votes were taken.

XIV. Adjournment

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,	
Tracy McKibben, Secretary	
Approved:	
Mark Kelley, Chair	