KEAN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES – PUBLIC SESSION

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2015

11 a.m. FIRST FLOOR LECTURE HALL, GATEWAY BUILDING, KEAN OCEAN CAMPUS

PRESENT: Ada Morell, Chair; Michael D’Agostino, Vice-Chair; Dr. Lamont Repollet, Secretary; Helyn Payne Baltimore, Dr. Thomas Bistocchi, Robert W. Cockren, John Kean, Jr., Doug Keller, Linda Lewis, Richard Trabert, Abby Gallego, Student Trustee, Christian Meyers, Alternate Student Trustee; Dr. Dawood Farahi, President; Board Secretary Audrey Kelly

OTHERS PRESENT: Geri Benedetto, Dr. Jeffrey Toney, Phil Connelly, Janice Murray-Laury, Marsha McCarthy, Carla Willis, Felice Vazquez, Michelle Freestone

The meeting began at 11 a.m.

1. **ROLL CALL**
   Ms. Kelly called the roll and reported a quorum present.

2. **STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE – OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**
   Ms. Kelly read the statement of compliance and reported the meeting had been properly advertised and was in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

3. **FINAL APPROVAL OF MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 14, 2015**
   Chair Morell requested a motion for final approval of the minutes of the Kean University Board of Trustees Public Meeting held on September 14, 2015. The motion was made and seconded. The board approved the minutes.

4. **CHAIR’S REPORT**
   Chair Morell welcomed everyone to Kean Ocean and thanked Ocean County College President Jon Larson for the hospitality. She noted the University had gone through some eventful issues and congratulated University police and the Union County Prosecutor’s Office on their work to identify the suspect in the tweeting incident. She emphasized the importance of working together and celebrating diversity on our campus. She noted that as a Kean graduate and Board chair she had never seen or experienced discrimination at Kean, but assured the public the Board Governance Committee would review recent concerns and University data and report back to the full Board at the March meeting.

5. **PRESIDENT’S REPORT**
   President Farahi also welcomed everyone Kean Ocean. He concurred with Chair Morell that the University community had been through a difficult time and
applauded members of the campus community for working together on the criminal case and related issues. Dr. Farahi then covered three points: first, that student recruitment is the job of every person at Kean. Second, he noted that the trends nationally show fewer high school students for colleges to vie for, particularly in New Jersey where such a large population of students goes to school out of state. Third, he emphasized the need to create academic programs that students are looking for. Dr. Farahi then introduce Dr. Steven Kubow, Associate VP of Kean Ocean.

Dr. Kubow welcomed the board and colleagues to Kean Ocean. He provided a brief overview of the programs and initiatives at the campus, noting this very successful partnership is now entering its 10th year. Dr. Kubow introduced several Kean Ocean students and graduates, who provided their perspective on their work and the opportunities available through Kean Ocean. He also introduced for brief remarks two students from the doctoral program in Nursing, which is managed out of Kean Ocean.

Dr. Farahi introduced Prof. David Mohney, Dean of the Michael Graves College. Prof. Mohney provided the Board with an update on the successful launch of the new public architecture program, noting enrollment was strong and the first class of students is competitive and innovative.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
The Board received public comments from: Jairo Ramirez, Gabriella Cucinotta, Ailyn Robles, Dr. James Castiglione, Dr. David Joiner and Dr. Emily Filardo. Copies of their comments, where provided, will be filed in the Board office.

7. **ITEMS OF THE STUDENT AND UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**
Trustee Trabert presented the following resolutions for Board consideration:

7.1 Resolution Establishing Student Housing Rental Rates for Fiscal Year 2017

7.2 Resolution Authorizing the Waiver of Public Bidding and Advertising

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The resolutions were moved, seconded and unanimously approved by the Board.

8. **ITEMS OF THE ACADEMIC POLICY AND PROGRAMS COMMITTEE**
Trustee Repollet presented the following items for Board consideration:

8.1 Personnel Actions—Faculty
8.2 Faculty Reappointments and Non-Reappointments
8.3 Resolution Honoring Dr. Victor Ortiz and Bestowing the Appointment of Professor Emeritus
8.4 Resolution Honoring Dr. Cipher Deavours and Bestowing the Appointment of Professor Emeritus
8.5 Resolution Honoring Dr. Frank Osborne and Bestowing the Appointment of Professor Emeritus
8.6 Resolution Authorizing the Creation of a New Post Masters Certificate Program in Applied Behavior Analysis: Autism and Developmental Disabilities
8.7 Resolution Authorizing the Development of a new Master of Hindi and Urdu Language Pedagogy
8.8 Resolution Approving and Adopting the Amended and Restated Policy on Granting Professor Emeritus/Emerita Status
8.9 Resolution Establishing Laboratory Fees to Support Certain Course Costs Related to Disposables in the Athletic Training Program
8.10 Resolution Accepting External Grant Awards from the NJ DOE
8.11 Resolution Authorizing the Waiver of Public Bidding and Advertising

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Each resolution was moved, seconded and unanimously approved by the Board.

9. **ITEMS OF THE LEGAL AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**
Trustee Lewis presented the following resolutions for Board consideration:

9.1 Personnel Actions—Administrative
9.2 Professional Staff Reappointments and Non-Reappointments
9.3 Resolution Authorizing a Waiver for Public Advertising and Bidding for Professional Services

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10. **ITEMS OF THE JOINT FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEES**
Trustee Bistocchi presented the following resolutions for Board consideration:
10.1 Resolution Authorizing the Waiver of Advertising and Public Bidding for Specified Professional Services for FY2015

**Financial Services**  
Prager & Co.  
Not to Exceed $65,000

**Recruitment Services**  
Mikelyden Consulting  
Not to Exceed $67,000  
Michael Villanella  
Not to Exceed $65,000  
John Van Brunt  
Not to Exceed $50,000  
Ruffalo Noel Levitz * (FY16 & 17)  
Not to Exceed $80,000

**Info Tech, Consulting Services**  
Richard M. Loalbo, LLC  
Not to Exceed $90,000

**Commencement Venues**  
Devils Arena (The Pru Center)  
Not to Exceed $100,000  
NJ PAC  
Not to Exceed $70,000

**Technology, Data Services**  
DECA  
Not to Exceed $90,000

**Marketing and Outreach (DECA)**  
Upstaghe Right Productions  
Not to Exceed $42,500  
Omni Nashville, LLC  
Not to Exceed $380,000

10.2 Resolution Amending and Approving Revisions to Resolution 15-09-14-1976 Which Authorized the Establishment of a Cohort Tuition and Fee Rate for Kean Online for Fiscal Year 2016

Each resolution was moved, seconded and unanimously approved by the Board.

11. **ITEMS OF THE FACILITIES AND MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE**
Trustee DAgostino presented the following resolutions for Board consideration:

11.1 Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract to DLS Contracting for Snow Removal Services

11.2 Resolution Authorizing the President and/or his Designee to Submit to the State of New Jersey an Application for Capital Funding Available Through the “Building Our Future Bond Act” and other programs

Each resolution was moved, seconded and unanimously approved by the Board.
14. **RESOLUTION ADVISING THE PUBLIC OF A CLOSED MEETING**
Ms. Kelly read the resolution advising the public of a closed session of the Kean University Board of Trustees on Saturday, December 5, 2015. Chair Morell requested a motion to approve the resolution. A motion was made, seconded and the resolution was unanimously approved. Chair Morell noted for the public that the Board would not be taking any other action at this meeting and planned to adjourn the meeting immediately following the executive session.

15. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
The Board entered executive session at approximately 12:15 p.m.
The Board ended executive session at approximately 2:30 p.m.

16. **ADJOURNMENT**
There being no further business before the board, Chair Morell adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:31 p.m.