

Board of Trustees of Northeastern Illinois University
Special Meeting Minutes
June 23, 2023

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Northeastern Illinois University was convened on Friday June 23, 2023 in the Student Union Alumni Hall Room located at 5500 N. St. Louis Avenue, Chicago, IL. Marvin Garcia, Vice Chair of the Board called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m.

Roll was called and the following Trustees were present: Betty Fleurimond; Marvin Garcia; Shyrice Howell; Ann Kalayil; Jorge Leon; J. Todd Phillips; and Paula Wolff

Also present: G. A. Finch, University Counsel and Karl Voigt, Assistant Secretary to the Board

Chair's Announcements

Trustee Garcia announced that Chair Rico is not in attendance today as he is out of the country, however he is fully aware of today's proceedings and has been involved in the planning of today's meeting. Trustee Garcia added that today's meeting will be focused on the selection of an Interim President, and he offered his thanks to the Interim President Search Committee Co-Chairs Drs. Isaura Pulido and Nicole Holland for their leadership in the process that has resulted in today's finalists from within the University community.

Opportunity for Public Comment in Accordance with P.A. 91-0715

Trustee Garcia announced the opportunity for public comment. There were no requests to speak.

Motion to Convene in Closed Session

At 12:12 p.m. Trustee Wolff, seconded by Trustee Phillips, moved to convene in Closed Session.

Discussion: there was no discussion

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Fleurimond: Yes	Howell: Yes	Leon: Yes	Phillips: Yes	Wolff: Yes
Garcia: Yes	Kalayil: Yes	Morales:	Rico:	

The motion carried.

Trustee Morales joined the meeting in Closed Session at 12:19 p.m.

Motion to Reconvene in Open Session

At 6:12 p.m. Trustee Phillips, seconded by Trustee Morales, moved to reconvene in Open Session. The motion carried by acclamation.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Action Item: Consideration of the June 24, 2022 Vote Concerning Possible Amendment to the President's Employment Contract

Trustee Leon, seconded by Trustee Phillips, moved to rescind the Board's June 24, 2022 approval to amend the President's employment contract.

Discussion: there was no discussion

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Fleurimond: Yes	Howell: Yes	Leon: Yes	Phillips: Yes	Wolff: Yes
Garcia: Yes	Kalayil: Yes	Morales: Yes	Rico:	

The motion carried.

Action Item: Motion to Appoint an Interim President for the Period of July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

Trustee Howell, seconded by Trustee Morales, moved to appoint Katrina E. Bell-Jordan as the University's Interim President for the period of July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024.

Discussion: there was no discussion

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Fleurimond: Yes	Howell: Yes	Leon: Yes	Phillips: Yes	Wolff: Yes
Garcia: Yes	Kalayil: Yes	Morales: Yes	Rico:	

The motion carried.

Motion to Adjourn

At 6:17 p.m. Trustee Kalayil, seconded by Trustee Fleurimond, moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

Marvin Garcia, Vice Chair of the Board
Karl Voigt, Assistant Secretary to the Board
Approved September 21, 2023