

**Board of Trustees**

**March 17, 2021**

**Minutes**

Chair Lawson called the meeting to order. Linda Barge-Miles called the roll and a quorum was established. The following trustees were present: Cavazos, Cliatt, Dortch, Dubose, Harper, Lawrence, Lawson, McClinton, Moore, Perry, Reed, Stone and Washington.

President Robinson addressed the Board and apologized for having a meeting so close to the regular Board meeting held on March 4, 2021. He indicated that the information that necessitated the meeting was received after the Board meeting and approval of such is needed for the Bragg Stadium renovation.

Chair Lawson recognized Vice President Alan Robertson to present the action item regarding approval of a contract for Bragg Stadium Phase 1 renovation. VP Robertson shared that the University received the contract proposal for \$2,158,760 from Southern Bleachers. This contract is for the purchase of grandstand materials, freight and installation. Chair Lawson asked for a motion to approve the agreement. Trustee Moore offered a motion to approve the contract. The motion was seconded by Trustee Dortch and the motion carried unanimously.

The next item up for approval was the return condenser well, which is needed for the University's air conditioning system. VP Roberson recommended that the University accept the low bid, enter into negotiations and finalize the \$1.4M contract for President Robinson's signature. Trustee Dortch moved approval of the recommended action. The motion was seconded by Trustee Harper and the motion carried unanimously.

The final action item was approval of the Elsevier contract. Provost Edington explained that Elsevier is one of the foremost publishers of peer reviewed journals and books for scientific, technical and medical research and is one of the library's most used resources. The journals and books contained in the database support several academic programs across the University. The libraries are in the last year of the 2017 to 2021 agreement. In amended agreement, there is no price increase for the 2022 year and about a 3% increases for the subsequent years. Trustee Dubose moved approval of the contract. The motion was seconded by Trustee Dortch and the motion carried unanimously.

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned.