Agenda

I. Call to Order
Presenter: Christy Clark

II. Agenda

A. Proposed ASU System Resolution
Presenter: Julie Bates

1. Resolution #24-01 conferring upon Dr. Charles L. Welch the designation of President Emeritus

III. Update on the ASU System Presidential Search
Presenter: Price Gardner

IV. Other Business

V. Adjournment
ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A Resolution Conferring upon
Dr. Charles L. Welch
the Designation of President Emeritus

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees recognizes the importance of the contributions made by individuals who have loyally served the Arkansas State University System over the years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles L. Welch responsibly fulfilled his duties for more than a decade as President of the Arkansas State University System from April 23, 2011, until January 14, 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas State University System, that Dr. Welch is designated President Emeritus of the Arkansas State University System, in recognition of his superb stewardship, and in deep gratitude for his legacy of wise and generous counsel and his untiring efforts on behalf of the ASU System, its students, faculty, staff, and friends.

DULY ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 5th day of January 2024

Christy Clark, Chair
Robert G. Rudolph Jr., Secretary
Price Gardner, Member
Jerry Morgan, Member

Steve Eddington, Vice Chair
Paul Rowton, Member
Gary Harpole, Member
Special ASU System Board of Trustees Meeting
Minutes
Arkansas State University System
January 5, 2024 at 1:30 PM
ASU System Office & Zoom

Attendance
Present:
Members: Christy Clark, Steve Eddington, Robert Rudolph (remote), Paul Rowton, Price Gardner, Gary Harpole, and Jerry Morgan,

I. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Chair Christy Clark at 1:31 PM.

II. Agenda (Presenter: Julie Bates)
A. Proposed ASU System Resolution

Motion:
Motion to approve ASU System Resolution 24-01.

Motion moved by Price Gardner and motion seconded by Gary Harpole. Passed unanimously.

1. Resolution #24-01 conferring upon Dr. Charles L. Welch the designation of President Emeritus

III. Update on the ASU System Presidential Search (Presenter: Price Gardner)
I want to report back and follow up on our discussion at the December Board meeting. The ASU System Foundation has executed a contract with Academic Search. Dr. Jay Lemon will lead that search. The Academic Search team members have other commitments through next week with some Board meetings, so our real efforts under contract will begin a week from now, January 16. At that time, we will work with Academic Search to create a timeline for the search, as we discussed. It would involve developing a job description, posting the job, and deciding the period of time for the posting. In general terms, we are looking at an April timeframe for interviewing candidates, with the goal to have a decision and a new President, hopefully hired by the first week of May, to begin work on July 1. The ads will be published publicly. Academic Search will set up a data room so that the applications will be available for review there. All applications will be circulated among the Board members. Of course, we will comply
with FOIA throughout the whole process. I just want to make it clear that, although you all have appointed me as Chair of the Search Committee, it is not a one-person screening committee or a steering committee. The Board is actually the Search Committee, and we will work through that and, as necessary, we may have to call special meetings to discuss particular applicants or different matters. We will have a much better idea of what the timeline is in about two weeks from now. We will be glad to update everyone then.

IV. Other Business

V. Adjournment

Motion:
Chair Clark asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion moved by Steve Eddington and motion seconded by Jerry Morgan.
Passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned 1:36 PM

Robert G. Rudolph Jr., Secretary

Christy Clark, Chair