

**Arkansas State University
Board of Trustees
Minutes**

The Arkansas State University Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, November 9, 2010, in ballroom three of the Cooper Alumni Center on the campus of ASU-Jonesboro for the purpose of interviewing a candidate for president of the ASU System. Trustees Florine Milligan, Howard Slinkard, Ron Rhodes, Mike Gibson, and Dan Pierce were present.

Mrs. Milligan, chair, called the meeting to order at 10:13 a.m. and announced that the only item on the agenda is to interview Dr. Charles L. "Chuck" Welch.

Upon motion by Mr. Pierce, second by Mr. Rhodes, the board retired into executive session at 10:14 a.m.

AYES: Milligan, Slinkard, Rhodes, Gibson, Pierce

NAYS: None

Mrs. Milligan announced: "The Board of Trustees has voted to retire into executive session for interviewing a candidate for president of Arkansas State University. We will reconvene in public session following the executive session to present and vote on any action arrived at in private."

The board reconvened at 12:42 p.m. Mrs. Milligan said that the board interviewed Dr. Charles L. "Chuck" Welch but no action was taken during executive session, and at this time the board will recess and reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

Mrs. Milligan reconvened the board at 1:39 p.m. and upon motion by Mr. Rhodes, second by Mr. Pierce voted to retire into executive session at 1:40 p.m.

AYES: Milligan, Slinkard, Rhodes, Gibson, Pierce

NAYS: None

Mrs. Milligan reconvened the board at 2:06 p.m. and announced the board had made a decision to hire Dr. Charles L. "Chuck" Welch as president of the ASU System. She said that details of his contract are still being discussed.

Upon motion by Mr. Gibson, second by Mr. Pierce, the board voted to appoint Dr. Charles L. "Chuck" Welch as president of the ASU System.

AYES: Milligan, Slinkard, Rhodes, Gibson, Pierce

NAYS: None

Following the vote, Dr. Welch made the following statement: "I want to begin by just thanking the Board of Trustees. I am honored by your confidence in me and am excited about the opportunity. I told Henderson when I accepted that position that I would only consider leaving for an extraordinary opportunity and this is indeed an extraordinary opportunity. This is a chance to assist a system with growing, developing, advancing and helping young people, just like I was, have the opportunities that I have been fortunate to have."

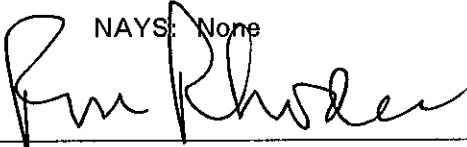
Mrs. Milligan commented that she was pleased with the pool of applicants, including the three "outstanding candidates" who were interviewed. She expressed appreciation to the Presidential Search Advisory Committee and all those who provided assistance with the search process.

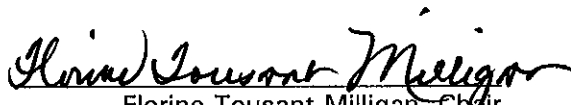
On behalf of the board, Mr. Rhodes thanked Mrs. Milligan for her leadership in conducting the search.

With no further business, and upon motion by Mr. Rhodes, second by Mr. Pierce, the meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

AYES: Milligan, Slinkard, Rhodes, Gibson, Pierce

NAYS: None


Ron Rhodes, Secretary


Florine Tousant Milligan, Chair