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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE  
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS  
May 29, 2025

This meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in the Isadore and Sadie Dorin Forum, Rooms G, H, and I, 725 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago, Illinois, on Thursday, May 29, 2025, beginning at 3:06 p.m. Attendance via videoconference was available in 364 Henry Administration Building, 506 South Wright Street, Urbana, Illinois; Washington County Extension Office, 9623 Wall Street, Nashville, Illinois; and the Hatmaker Room, Room 550, Public Affairs Center, One University Plaza, Springfield.

Chair Jesse H. Ruiz convened the meeting and asked the secretary to call the roll. The following members of the Board were present: Ms. J. Carolyn Blackwell, Ms. Tami Craig Schilling, Mr. Joseph Gutman, Dr. Suzet M. McKinney, Mr. Wilbur C. Milhouse III,<sup>1</sup> Ms. Sarah C. Phalen, Mr. Jesse H. Ruiz; Dr. Bryan S. Traubert. Mr. Ramón Cepeda and Governor J. B. Pritzker were absent. Mr. Christian Johnson, voting student trustee, Springfield, was in attendance. The following nonvoting student trustees

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<sup>1</sup> Mr. Milhouse participated via remote videoconference.

were in attendance: Mr. Quinn S. Basta, student trustee, Chicago. Ms. Ariana A. Mizan, student trustee, Urbana, was absent. President Timothy L. Killeen was present.

Also present were the officers of the Board: Mr. Lester H. McKeever Jr., treasurer; Mr. Scott E. Rice, University counsel; Dr. Paul N. Ellinger, comptroller (and vice president/chief financial officer); and Dr. Jeffrey A. Stein, secretary of the Board of Trustees and of the University.

### MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 3:07 p.m., Chair Ruiz stated: “A motion is now in order to convene an executive session to consider the following topic as permitted under Section 2(c) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act: University employment or appointment-related matters (subsection 1).” On motion of Dr. McKinney, seconded by Ms. Craig Schilling, this motion was approved. There were no “nay” votes.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

**Material redacted pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/2.06d)**

### EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED

There were no additional questions or comments, and the executive session adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

### OLD BUSINESS

There was no business presented under this aegis.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Ruiz asked if there was any new business to discuss, and there was none. Mr. Ruiz announced that the Board is scheduled to meet and hold its annual Board retreat on July 16 and 17, 2025.

#### MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. Ruiz requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. On motion of Mr. Gutman, seconded by Dr. Traubert, the meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m. There were no “nay” votes.

JEFFREY A. STEIN  
*Secretary*

JESSE H. RUIZ  
*Chair*