

ROWAN UNIVERSITY/RUTGERS–CAMDEN

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

December 12, 2017

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Jack Collins, Chair

Chad Bruner
Michellene Davis (via conference call)
Fred Graziano (via conference call)
Dudley Rivers

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Lou Bezich, Vice-Chair

BOARD REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Kris Kolluri, CEO, Rowan University/Rutgers–Camden
Board of Governors
Raymond G. Console, Esq., Legal Counsel for the Rowan
University/Rutgers–Camden Board of Governors
Michele Robinson, Secretary, Rowan University/Rutgers–
Camden Board of Governors

OTHERS

Members of the Press
Members of the Public

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Rowan University/Rutgers–Camden Board of Governors was held on December 12, 2017 at the Governor James J. Florio Center for Public Services, 200 Federal Street, Camden, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Collins at 12:00 p.m. Mr. Collins presided as chair of the meeting.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

Ms. Robinson read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement of Compliance.

ROLL CALL

At the direction of the Chair, Ms. Robinson took attendance by calling the roll and asked if there were any recusals to be noted for the record. No recusals were noted.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Collins asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN SESSION

Chair Collins stated that in accordance with Board Resolution No. 2017-03-12, adopted on March 28, 2017, today’s meeting was started in Executive Session at 11:00 a.m. Topics discussed in Executive Session were legal, real estate, and finance matters. These matters were also discussed in open session. At that point, a motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously to move into open session.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

Chair Collins asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the Board’s previous meeting held on September 12, 2017. A motion was made, seconded, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

CEO REPORT

Mr. Kolluri explained that Mr. Bezich was absent today due to the passing of his father, and he extended condolences to the Bezich family.

With mixed emotions, Mr. Kolluri shared that pursuant to a vote by the board of the Cooper’s Ferry Partnership, he has accepted their offer to become the organization’s CEO and president. Mr. Kolluri described his tenure with the Rowan University/Rutgers–Camden Board of Governors as “the highest honor of [his] life” and working with the Board and the Board’s staff as “a privilege.” Since its creation in 2014 by legislative mandate, the Board, along with the leadership of President Houshmand, President Barchi, and Chancellor Haddon, “has forged ahead with projects and programs that we can say we are proud of collectively.”

Speaker Collins invited Board members to comment on Mr. Kolluri’s decision and comments. Board members expressed that Mr. Kolluri had made a “tremendous mark” during his tenure with the Board, and the Board would not be where it is today without his leadership. Mr. Kolluri has done an outstanding job and has laid the groundwork that will enable the Rowan University/Rutgers–Camden Board of Governors to continue its vital work. They thanked him for his efforts.

Mr. Kolluri introduced Ms. Laura Jakimowicz, the Board’s program and policy analyst, to provide an update on the Alzheimer’s Journey Coordinator Certificate Program.

Following the Board’s kick-off of the Alzheimer’s Journey Coordinator Certificate Program on May 9, 2017, a follow-up meeting was held in July to convene the advisory committee to lay the groundwork for the program’s curriculum. A series of listening sessions were then conducted to focus on aspects of the curriculum. Based on the feedback received, a master curriculum template was created. The advisory committee enthusiastically approved the curriculum template in November. The curriculum has been transitioned to Camden County College, and final approval is hoped to be received by March 2018.

In January and February, open houses will be held to engage with community members about the program and to begin recruiting applicants for the program. The first cohort of 20 students is expected to be selected by the end of June. As currently structured, future students will complete the program over 6 months of full-time study that includes an externship.

Mr. Kolluri added that the Board has signed an affiliation agreement for the program with the Veterans Administration (VA) in Wilmington, Delaware. It is hoped that the first cohort will include five students from the VA to train them to work specifically with other veterans in an effort of “vets helping vets.”

In addition, the Board will be considering a resolution today to approve funding to pursue support for employment of the Alzheimer’s Journey coordinators for two years; the Board will cover their tuition. This will create an opportunity to assess the effectiveness of the coordinators, pursue Medicare funding for their services, and scale up the program, potentially on a national level.

Mr. Kolluri concluded his report by announcing that funding of \$500,000 has been received from the State of New Jersey to be shared by Rowan University and Rutgers University for a population health study.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON
AGENDA ITEMS**

Chair Collins opened the floor to comments specifically related to the resolutions on the agenda. There were no comments made by the public.

**MATTERS PRESENTED BY
THE CHAIRMAN FOR
ACTION CONSIDERATION**

Chair Collins introduced Mr. Kolluri to present the resolutions listed in the agenda

Resolution 2017-12-01

Resolution authorizing an amendment to the Owners' Representative contract for the Joint Health Sciences Center. A motion to approve the resolution was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Resolution 2017-12-02

Resolution consenting to an agreement with Rowan University for the Alzheimer's Journey Coordinator Program. A motion to approve the resolution was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Resolution 2017-12-03

Resolution approving expenditures incurred by the Camden County Improvement Authority for the Joint Health Sciences Center. A motion to approve the resolution was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Resolution 2017-12-04

Resolution approving the award of a demolition contract by the Camden County Improvement Authority for Block 1400. A motion to approve the resolution was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously by roll call vote

Resolution 2017-12-05

Resolution accepting the receipt of the FY 2017 audit. A motion to approve the resolution was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously by roll call vote.

The full text of each of these resolutions is appended to these minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Collins invited members of the public to address the Board. No comments were made by members of the public.

COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Chair Collins invited members of the Board to offer comments.

Ms. Davis thanked Mr. Kolluri for his leadership and expressed pride in the accomplishments of the Board and the executive team in the revitalization of the city of Camden and in the Alzheimer's Journey Coordinator Program which will help people "navigate uncharted waters."

CLOSING COMMENTS

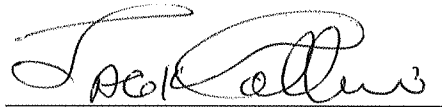
Chair Collins opened the floor for any closing comment by members of the Board and the public. There were no further comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Chair Collins entertained a motion for adjournment. The motion for

adjournment was seconded and approved

unanimously, whereupon Chair Collins adjourned the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jack Collins", written over a horizontal line.

Jack Collins, Chair
Rowan University/Rutgers-Camden Board of Governor