

Lincoln University Board of Curators

January 11, 2024

OPEN SESSION

1. Call to Order:

The Lincoln University Board of Curators Open Session was officially called to order by Board President Victor B. Pasley at 10:00 a.m., on Thursday, January 11, 2024, in the Board Room, 201 Young Hall, Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Missouri.

1. A. Roll Call: Curators present were: Vernon V. Bracy, Richard G. Callahan, Victor B. Pasley, Richard R. Popp, Terry Rackers, and Tina Shannon. Curator Everidge Cade joined the meeting in progress. Curator Stacia Bradley Brown was absent. Rose Ann Ortmeyer recorded the minutes.

2. Motion for Closed Session:


Curator President Pasley asked that the Board be given the authority to commence a closed meeting, possible closed vote, and possible closed record as follows: (13) "Individually identifiable personnel records..." and (14) "Records which are protected from disclosure by law;" and other matters for which a closed meeting is authorized pursuant to Section 610.021 RSMo.

Curator Callahan so moved. Curator Popp seconded the motion. Motion carried as follows:

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| Curator Bracy | Yes | Curator Callahan | Yes |
| Curator Pasley | Yes | Curator Popp | Yes |
| Curator Rackers | Yes | Curator Shannon | Yes |

The Open Session of the Lincoln University Board of Curators adjourned at 10:03 a.m.


Victor B. Pasley, President


Everidge Cade, Secretary



Statement from the Lincoln University Board of Curators

Lincoln University's Board of Curators plans to engage a third-party expert to fully review potential personnel issues and concerns recently raised regarding compliance with the University's established policies and procedures. As part of that process, Dr. John B. Moseley has volunteered to be placed on paid, administrative leave while that review is conducted. Dr. Stevie Lawrence II, currently Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs at Lincoln University, will serve as Acting President during the review process. Dr. Lawrence brings a wide range of higher education experience to this role and will ensure continuity in University operations.

"As a Board, we are committed to make certain the mental health of Lincoln University employees is a priority and that every employee is always treated with dignity and respect," said Board of Curators President Victor Pasley. "The Board has confidence in the leadership team we have at Lincoln, but as we all work together to serve students and the Lincoln University community, this review will fully examine important questions, concerns and gather facts. Dr. Moseley agrees those issues should be examined and has volunteered to go on leave during the review so that it can move forward in a fully independent way."

While the Board and University leaders cannot comment publicly on confidential employee personnel information, the recent loss of Dr. Antoinette "Bonnie" Candia-Bailey is tragic. This review will be an important part of the Board's commitment to listening and addressing important issues. The third-party review will be conducted at the direction of the Board over the coming weeks.