



**MINUTES  
FOR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY**

The fourth meeting in 2022 of the Board of Trustees of Grand Valley State University was held on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the GVSU Detroit Center on Friday, November 4, 2022, and also livestreamed via Zoom Webinar.

The following members of the Board were present:

Mikyia S. Aaron  
Victor M. Cardenas  
Elizabeth C. Emmitt, Vice Chair  
Noreen K. Myers  
Megan S. Rydecki, Acting Chair  
Philomena V. Mantella, President, Ex Officio

The following members of the Board are expected were absent:

Randall S. Damstra  
Susan M. Jandernoa, Chair  
Kate Pew Wolters

The following Board officers and Executive officers were present:

Laura Aikens, Vice President for University Development  
Stacie R. Behler, Vice President and Chief Public Affairs and Communications Officer and  
Secretary, Board of Trustees  
Jesse M. Bernal, Chief of Staff to the President and Vice President for Inclusion and Equity  
Jenny Hall-Jones, Vice President for Student Affairs  
Fatma Mili, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Gregory J. Sanial, Vice President for Finance and Administration and  
Treasurer, Board of Trustees  
Miloš Topić, Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Digital Officer  
B. Donta Truss, Vice President for Enrollment Development and Educational Outreach  
Craig J. Wieschhorster, Assistant Treasurer, Board of Trustees

The meeting will be called to order at 11:00 a.m.

## I. SECRETARY'S REPORT

### 22-4-1 (1) Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting

On motion by Trustee Aaron and second by Trustee Cardenas, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the meeting, held June 24, 2022, are approved as distributed.

### 22-4-2 (2) Motion to Adopt Agenda

On motion by Trustee Cardenas and second by Trustee Emmitt, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees agenda for the November 4, 2022, meeting is approved as distributed.

### 22-4-3 (3) Public Comment

### 22-4-4 (4) Personnel Actions

On motion by Trustee Myers and second by Trustee Aaron, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the personnel actions as reported at this meeting.

## II. PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

President Mantella thanked the Board for their trust in her and the entire University community in response to her contract extension. She recognized a few members of the Senior Leadership Team and faculty in the College of Education and Community Innovation for recent grants they received to support classroom instruction for English learners and for gifted and talented youth in southeast Michigan.

## III. GENERAL REPORTS

### A) Academic and Student Affairs Committee Reports

#### 22-4-5 (5) New Degree Proposal: Bachelor of Applied Science, (BAS) Majors in four areas:

- Leadership and Business Fundamentals
- Professional Innovation
- Technology Project Management
- Web Design and Development

III. GENERAL REPORTS cont'd.

On motion by Trustee Aaron and second by Trustee Cardenas, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the change to *Board of Trustees Policies 3.2.1, Official Degree Programs*, to add the Bachelor of Applied Sciences (B.A.S.) degree and *Board of Trustees Policies 3.2.2, Undergraduate Degree Programs*, to add programs in Leadership and Business Fundamentals, Professional Innovation, Technology Project Management, and Web Design and Development, as presented at this meeting.

22-4-6 (6) Charter Schools Report

Name Change—Covenant House Academy Detroit

On motion by Trustee Aaron and second by Trustee Cardenas, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Grand Valley State University, at its meeting on April 29, 2013, approved the issuance of a charter contract to Covenant House Academy Detroit and its school sites; and

WHEREAS, the Academy requests a name change to Covenant Schools Detroit;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Article IX of the Terms and Conditions incorporated into the Academy's Contract, the Board of Trustees approves the Academy's name change to Covenant Schools Detroit.

Name Change—Covenant House Academy Grand Rapids

On motion by Trustee Aaron and second by Trustee Cardenas, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Grand Valley State University, at its meeting on April 29, 2013, approved the issuance of a charter contract to Covenant House Academy Grand Rapids; and

WHEREAS, the Academy requests a name change to Covenant High School Grand Rapids;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Article IX of the Terms and Conditions incorporated into the Academy's Contract, the Board of Trustees approves the Academy's name change to Covenant High School Grand Rapids.

III. GENERAL REPORTS cont'd.

Appointment of Charter School Board of Directors

On motion by Trustee Aaron and second by Trustee Cardenas, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees appoints the Charter School Board of Directors as presented at this meeting.

22-4-7 (7) 2022 Enrollment, Financial Aid, and Housing Reports

B) Finance and Audit Committee Reports

22-4-8 (8) 2021-2022 Audited Annual Financial Statements

On motion by Trustee Emmitt and second by Trustee Myers, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the 2021-2022 Audited Annual Financial Statements as presented at this meeting.

22-4-9 (9) 2021-2022 Annual Endowment Fund Report

On motion by Trustee Emmitt and second by Trustee Aaron, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the 2021-2022 Annual Endowment Fund Report as presented at this meeting.

22-4-10 (10) 2023-2024 Endowment Fund Spending Rates

On motion by Trustee Emmitt and second by Trustee Cardenas, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the 2023-2024 Endowment Fund Spending Rates as presented at this meeting.

22-4-11 (11) Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Cash Liquidity Level

On motion by Trustee Emmitt and second by Trustee Myers, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Cash Liquidity Level as presented at this meeting.

### III. GENERAL REPORTS cont'd.

- 22-4-12 (12) Fiscal Year 2024 Capital Outlay Five-Year Plan and Budget Request

On motion by Trustee Emmitt and second by Trustee Cardenas, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the Capital Outlay Major Project Request for Fiscal Year 2024 and the Five-Year Capital Outlay Plan as presented at this meeting.

#### C) Other Reports

- 22-4-13 (13) Development Division Report

On motion by Trustee Cardenas and second by Trustee Emmitt, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees gratefully accepts cash gifts of \$7,872,444.68 to the University presented at this meeting for June 1, 2022, through September 30, 2022.

- 22-4-14 (14) GVU Foundation Approval of Directors

On motion by Trustee Cardenas and second by Trustee Aaron, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves, with appreciation, the Grand Valley University Foundation Directors.

- 22-4-15 (15) 2021-22 Department of Intercollegiate Athletics Annual Report

- 22-4-16 (16) President's Report

President Mantella's report focused on Grand Valley's commitment and work that is underway in southeast Michigan. As part of her report, she invited three individuals to talk about the work they are committed to in the region. Donta Truss, Vice President for Enrollment Development and Educational Outreach, spoke about the southeast Michigan ambassador team, the recruitment efforts, the new TRIO programs, and the eighth-grade pathways. Rob Kimball, Associate Vice President and Executive Associate to the President, highlighted the deepening impact and commitment to southeast Michigan students in K-12 schools through eliminating barriers for GVSU charter high school alumni, building the teacher pipeline, enhancing the transition from high school to college, and supporting the pandemic learning loss. Kara Van Dam, Vice Provost for Graduate and Lifetime Learning, shared about support for working adults and local entrepreneurship in southeast Michigan as well as growing the talent pipeline and amplifying the voice of southeast Michigan alumni and friends of the university.

III. GENERAL REPORTS cont'd.22-4-17 (17) Motion to Adjourn

RESOLVED, on motion by Trustee Cardenas and second by Trustee Emmitt, the meeting was adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

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Susan M. Jandernoa, Chair  
Board of Trustees

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Stacie R. Behler, Secretary  
Board of Trustees