

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**January 20, 2023
3:00 p.m.**

A special meeting of the University of South Alabama Board of Trustees was duly convened by Ms. Arlene Mitchell, Chair *pro tempore*, on Friday, January 20, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Frederick P. Whiddon Administration Building. Meeting attendance was open to the public.

Members: Alexis Atkins, Bill Lewis, Arlene Mitchell, Mike Windom and Jim Yance were present, and Chandra Brown Stewart*, Scott Charlton, Tom Corcoran, Steve Furr*, Ron Graham*, Ron Jenkins, Lenus Perkins* and Jimmy Shumock participated remotely. (*These Trustees joined the meeting when the executive session was in progress.)

Members Absent: Kay Ivey, Steve Stokes and Margie Tuckson.

Administration & Guests: Delaware Arif (Faculty Senate), Owen Bailey, Jo Bonner, Kristin Dukes, Monica Ezell, Andi Kent, John Marymont and Polly Stokley.

The meeting came to order and the attendance roll was called, **Item 1**. Chair Mitchell turn to President Bonner for opening comments. President Bonner attested that an update on an important matter required calling a special meeting of the Board and he recommended proceeding with an executive session.

In accordance with the provisions of the Alabama Open Meetings Act, Chair Mitchell made a motion to convene an executive session for an anticipated duration of two hours for the purpose of discussing preliminary negotiations involving a matter of trade or commerce, **Item 2**. She stated Ms. Dukes had submitted the required written declaration for the minutes and that adjournment of the meeting would be effected with the conclusion of the executive session. Mr. Yance seconded and, at 3:02 p.m., the Board voted unanimously to convene an executive session, as recorded below:

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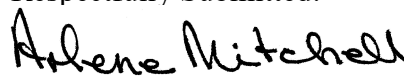
- Ms. Atkins
- Dr. Charlton
- Mr. Corcoran
- Capt. Jenkins
- Judge Lewis
- Chair Mitchell
- Mr. Shumock
- Judge Windom
- Mr. Yance

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

Attest to:


Lenus M. Perkins, Secretary

Respectfully Submitted:


Arlene Mitchell, Chair *pro tempore*

APPENDIX A

Executive Session

University of South Alabama Board of Trustees meeting on January 20, 2023.

The purpose of the executive session for the above-referenced meeting is to discuss preliminary negotiations involving a matter of trade or commerce.

This declaration is submitted pursuant to the requirements of the Alabama Open Meetings Act by Kristin Daniels Dukes, ASB number 6408o61k.

Kristin Daniels Dukes