

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA  
BOARD OF REGENTS

Board of Regents  
March 8, 2024

A meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota was held Friday, March 8, 2024, at 8:30 a.m. in the Boardroom, 600 McNamara Alumni Center

Regents present: Janie Mayeron, presiding, Mary Davenport, James Farnsworth, Robyn Gulley, Douglas Huebsch, Ruth Johnson, Tadd Johnson, Mike Kenyanya, Bo Thao, Urabe, Mary Turner, Kodi Verhalen, and Penny Wheeler.

Staff present: Interim President Jeffrey Ettinger, Executive Vice President and Provost Rachel Croson, Vice Presidents Bernard Gulachek, Kenneth Horstman, Calvin Phillips, Alice Roberts Davis, Jakub Tolar, and Julie Tonneson, General Counsel Douglas Peterson, Executive Director Brian Steeves, Chief Auditor Quinn Gaalswyk, Chief Public Relations Officer Chuck Tombarg, and Associate Vice President Katharine Bonneson and Michael Volna

The docket materials for this meeting are [available here](#)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board voted unanimously to approve the following minutes as presented in the docket materials:

Audit & Compliance Committee February 8, 2024  
Special Committee on Academic Health February 8, 2024  
Mission Fulfillment Committee February 8, 2024  
Finance & Operations Committee February 8, 2024  
Governance & Policy Committee February 9, 2024  
Special Committee on University Relations February 9, 2024  
Board of Regents February 9, 2024  
Litigation Review Committee February 13, 2024  
Board of Regents February 26, 2024

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REPORT OF THE INTERIM PRESIDENT

Interim President Ettinger delivered the report of the President.

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University of Minnesota (University) and to issue Board directives to executive officers and employees. The Board's reserved authority shall be exercised consistent with the University Charter, the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, *Board Bylaws*, and relevant Board policies.

Subd. 2.

The Board reserves to itself authority to ensure constitutional and institutional autonomy, to approve the University's mission and vision, to set the overall direction of the institution, including the adoption of fundamental planning documents for the educational, financial, and physical development of the University as defined by Board of Regents Policy *Board Operations and Agenda Guidelines*, and to declare a fiscal emergency.

Subd. 3.

No authority that the Board reserves to itself in this policy shall be exercised by any other person or body unless expressly authorized by Board policy or directive.

Subd. 4.

The authority of the Board resides only with the Board as a whole and not in its individual members, except as the Board itself may have delegated specific authority to one of its members or one of its committees.

Subd. 5.

The Board reserves to itself authority to approve the use, and revocation of the use, of its corporate name or any abbreviated name, including *University of Minnesota*, by any non-University person or entity, consistent with Board policies. The Board also reserves authority over the removal of the corporate name or any abbreviated name from the name of any University campus, college, school, division, or unit, consistent with Board policies.

Subd. 6.

The Board reserves to itself authority to approve any matter delegated to the president in Article II, Section I of this policy if it raises unusual questions of public interest or public

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#### SECTION IV. APPOINTMENT AUTHORITY.

##### Subd. 1.

The Board reserves to itself, or to one of its committees, authority to appoint all individuals and approve any individually negotiated terms of employment, and significant amendments thereto, for those who serve in each of the following positions:

- (a) Chancellor
- (b) Chief Auditor
- (c) Dean
- (d) Division I Director of Intercollegiate Athletics
- (e)













RESOLUTION TO CONDUCT ~~NO~~ PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS TO DISCUSS  
ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGED MATTERS

A motion was made and seconded that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, based on advice of the General Counsel, the Board of Regents have balanced the purposes served by the Open Meeting Law and by the attorney-client privilege, and determined that there is a need for absolute confidentiality to discuss litigation strategy in particular matters involving the University of Minnesota.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 13D.01, Subd. 3 and 13D.05 Subd. 3(b), a ~~no~~ public meeting of the Board of Regents be held on Friday, March 8, 2024, in the Boardroom, 600 McNamara Alumni Center, for the purpose of an attorney-client privileged discussion of litigation, including the following:

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The meeting adjourned at 3:19 p.m.

