

**VINCENNES UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF BOARD RETREAT  
Tuesday, February 27, 2024 – 8:00 a.m. (EST)  
Hilton Indianapolis Hotel and Suites  
120 West Market Street  
Indianapolis Ballroom – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Indianapolis, IN 46204**

**Members Present:**

Mike Sievers, Chair  
Gayle Baugh, Student Trustee  
Scott Brand  
Darrel Bobe  
Kelly Clauss  
J.R. Gaylor  
Reggie Henderson  
Chuck Johnson, President (Zoom)  
Greg Parsley  
Rick Schach (Zoom)  
John Stachura  
Don Villwock

**Others Present:**

Brent Stuckey, Attorney for the Board  
Nancy Irwin, Record Clerk for the Board  
Tim Eaton, Vice President for Financial Services (Zoom)  
Tony Hahn, Vice President for Government Relations  
Laura Treanor, Provost  
Dave Tucker, Vice President for Workforce Development & Community Services  
Jaci Lederman, Chief Information Officer  
Conya Wampler, Associate Vice President for Financial Services/Controller  
Kristi Deetz, Executive Director/Senior Director Institutional Advancement, VU Foundation  
Leslie Kidwell, Director of Development, VU Foundation  
Kirk Bouchie, VU Foundation Board  
Pat Carter, VU Foundation Board  
Chris Ernst, VU Foundation Board  
Gregg Sturm, VU Foundation Board

Chair Mike Sievers called the Board Retreat to order at 8:00 a.m. (EST) and welcomed all Trustees, guests, and staff members.

Discussion occurred regarding the following topics:

- Board Committee Assignments and overview
- Updates on legislation and status of bills relevant to Vincennes University and higher education
- Update on the University's Compensation Study
- Financial Services update – General Fund operations overview and look ahead to FY 2025, 2026 and 2027 budget cycles
- Report on Academic and Student Affairs
- Updates on Business & Industry prospects and opportunities
- Presentation – “*Addressing Current and Future Challenges in Higher Education*” by Dr. Jay Akridge, Trustee Chair in Teaching and Learning Excellence / Provost Emeritus – Purdue University
- Updates on Admission and Recruitment Efforts
- Update on External Relations and Marketing Efforts
- Updates on Strategic Plan Metrics / Changes and updates from the Higher Learning Commission
- Updates on Information Technology initiatives
- Update on VU Foundation and their continuing fundraising efforts

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Trustees, the Board Retreat adjourned at 3:30 p.m. (EST).

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Mike Sievers, Chair

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J.R. Gaylor, Secretary