

Unofficial Minutes
USF Board of Trustees Conference Call
Monday, September 14, 2018

Chair Brian Lamb convened the conference call of the USF Board of Trustees at 3 PM and thanked everyone for taking time to join the call to discuss the presidential search.

Chair Lamb asked President Genshaft to call roll with the following trustees present:

Trustee Mike Carrere
Trustee Stephanie Goforth
Trustee Brian Lamb
Trustee Moneer Kheireddine
Trustee Deanna Michael
Trustee Hal Mullis
Trustee Leslie Muma
Trustee John Ramil
Trustee Byron Shinn
Trustee Charles Tokarz
Trustee Nancy Watkins
Trustee Jordan Zimmerman

New Business – Information Item

Chair Lamb shared with the Trustees that as we go through the process and timeline, special consideration will be given to include those individuals who can add value and who really care about the future of USF, making sure they are engaged, especially if not on the search committee. He shared that the committee is limited to 15 individuals throughout the USF System, taking into consideration geographic region. The Chair shared the names of those appointed to the committee and a little bit about each one.

Presidential Search Committee

Les Muma, Chair

Les Muma is a graduate of the University of South Florida, where he received his B.A. in mathematics in 1966 and an honorary doctoral degree in 2003. He is a member of the USF Board of Trustees. He previously served on the board of the USF Foundation, where he chaired the first phase (\$600 million) of the Foundation's \$1 billion *USF: Unstoppable Campaign*. Together with his wife Pam, their transformational philanthropy has left a lasting impact on USF, as well as Junior Achievement of West Central Florida, Tampa General Hospital and other worthy area causes. Muma is also a Life Member of the USF Alumni Association, and is a leader on the College of Business Dean's Executive Advisory Board, Athletic Advisory Board and the 1956 Society. Muma is a resident of Pinellas County.

Dr. Kathy Weedman Arthur

Dr. Kathy Arthur is a tenured faculty member and researcher from the USF St. Petersburg College of Arts & Sciences. She is a recipient of National Science Foundation (NSF) and National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) research grants. She was recruited from the University of Florida, an AAU institution. Arthur earned national acclaim for her work in discovering the first ancient human genome sequence in Africa. She was a 2017 recipient of USF's Women in Leadership and Philanthropy Faculty Research Award, the USF Faculty Outstanding Global Research Silver Bull Award in 2017, the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Service in 2014 and the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Research and Creative Scholarship in 2012.

Arthur has earned national recognition for her work examining gender roles among ancient inhabitants of Ethiopia, including being awarded the Gordon R. Willey prize from the American Anthropological Association. The prize is given to the best archaeology paper published in the journal during the past three years as determined by its officers. Arthur was also named a 2016 Explorer's Club Fellow.

Braulio Colón

Braulio Colón is a graduate and active community supporter of the University of South Florida, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in mass communication and Africana studies in 2003 and a Master of Public Administration in 2010. He is chair-elect of the USF Alumni Association's Board of Directors. Colón is a resident of Hillsborough County.

Anddrikk Frazier

Anddrikk Frazier is a graduate of the University of South Florida, with a Bachelor of Science in Engineering, where he was also a three-year letter winner for the men's basketball team (1996-99). Frazier is also a member of the USF System Consolidation Task Force. Frazier is a founding member of the USF Black Leadership Network (BLN), which was created to enhance educational and leadership opportunities of African American students through scholarships and programs throughout the USF System and in our communities.

Dr. Robert D. Frisina

Dr. Robert Frisina is a USF professor in medical engineering, chemical & biological engineering and communication sciences & disorders. He is acting chair of USF's medical engineering department, director of USF's Center for Hearing & Speech Research and director of Biomedical Engineering at USF. He is a USF Distinguished University Professor and world-class scholar who was recruited from the University of Rochester Medical School, an AAU institution. Frisina received his Ph.D. in Bioengineering and Neuroscience from Syracuse University's College of Engineering. He pursued postdoctoral research as an NIH Fellow in Sensory Physiology and Biophysics at the University of Rochester (NY) Medical School. Previously, he was Professor of Otolaryngology, Neurobiology & Anatomy, and Biomedical Engineering, and Associate Chair of Otolaryngology at the University of Rochester Medical School. Frisina's main research support is currently a Program Project Grant from NIH, entitled "The Aging Auditory System: Presbycusis and Its Neural Bases"; as well as two other NIH R01 grants on areas related to drug delivery and acquired hearing loss.

Stephanie Goforth

Mrs. Goforth earned her Bachelor of Arts in business management from the University of South Florida in 1982. She now serves as a member of the USF Board of Trustees, serving as Chair of the Academics and Campus Environment Committee. She also chairs the USF St. Petersburg Campus Board and is a resident of Pinellas County.

Darlene Jordan

Darlene Luccio Jordan is a member of the Board of Governors of the State University System of Florida, serving on the Academic and Research Excellence Committee; the Facilities Committee; the Innovation and Online Committee; the Strategic Planning Committee, the Tuition Appeals Committee; the Select Committee on Florida Polytechnic University; and the Drugs, Alcohol and Mental Health Task Force.

Shaquille Kent

Shaquille is a USF international student from Trinidad and Tobago enrolled in the Muma College of Business. Since his arrival in 2015, he has been heavily involved on campus, including serving as a USF Ambassador, Resident Assistant, member of the Order of the Golden Brahman and the American Marketing Association. He currently serves as USF's Student Body Vice President.

Rhea Law

Rhea Law is a graduate of the University of South Florida, where she earned a degree in management before earning a law degree at Stetson University. She is one of the founding members of the USF Board of Trustees, where she spent five years as vice chair and four years as the first (and only) female chair. She served on the Presidential Search Advisory Committee for the hire of Judy Genshaft in 2000. She is also a founding member of the board of directors of the USF Law Alumni Society, serves as a member of the USF University Research Foundation and was recently named a 2018 Distinguished Alumna by the USF Alumni Association. In 2018 she was inducted as an honorary member of the USF Chapter of the National Academy of Inventors in recognition of her support to innovation at USF. She currently chairs the board of directors for the Health Professions Conferencing Corporation with the USF Center for Advanced Medical Learning and Simulation. In 2014, Law was awarded an honorary doctor of medicine from USF Health Morsani College of Medicine. Law is a resident of Hillsborough County.

George Morgan

George Morgan earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of South Florida in 1976. He is chair of the USF Foundation Board of Directors, participates on the USF Research Foundation Board and is a member of the USF Muma College of Business Executive Advisory Council. He and his wife, Jane, have pledged significant gifts to the university to benefit USF Athletics, and the colleges of business and marine science. Morgan is a resident of Manatee County.

Frederick “Rick” Piccolo

Rick Piccolo is a member of the USF Sarasota-Manatee campus Board and a member of the USF Consolidation Task Force. Piccolo is an active member of the Sarasota community. He is a past chair of the Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and is a past recipient of the Premier Volunteer Award, an honor given for his significant leadership commitment to the Chamber and community. Piccolo is a resident of Sarasota County.

John Ramil

John Ramil received both his bachelor's and master's degree in engineering from USF. He is a member of the USF Board of Trustees. He is past chair of the Board. Mr. Ramil has also served as a director on the USF Foundation Board, the USF Alumni Board, the USF Engineering College Advisory Board and the Gus Stavros Center for Free Enterprise Education Advocacy Board. In 1999, he was named Distinguished Alumnus of USF, is the recipient of the President's Fellow Medallion and in 2016 received an Honorary Doctor of Engineering from USF. Ramil has also completed Harvard University's Advanced Management Program. Ramil is a resident of Hillsborough County.

Debbie Sembler

Debbie Nye Sembler is a former member of the USF Board of Trustees and former chair of the USF St. Petersburg Campus Board. She is a current member of the USF Foundation Board. Sembler was awarded the USF Women in Leadership and Philanthropy Community Leadership Award and the USF St. Petersburg Chancellor's Award for Civic Leadership. USF St. Petersburg honored Sembler for her commitment to students and named its center for student success the Debbie Nye Sembler Student Success Center. Sembler is a resident of Pinellas County.

Byron Shinn

Byron Shinn received his Bachelor of Arts in accounting from University of South Florida and is a member of the USF Board of Trustees. He also serves as Chair of the USF Sarasota-Manatee Campus Board and as a member of the USF System Consolidation Task Force. He also serves on the University of South Florida School of Accountancy Advisory Board and the USF Sarasota-Manatee Community Leadership Council. Shinn is a resident of Manatee County.

Dr. Charles Stanish

Dr. Charles Stanish is an anthropology professor in the USF College of Arts and Sciences and executive director of the USF Institute for the Advanced Study of Culture and the Environment. He is a member of the National Academy of Sciences and the American Academy of Arts & Sciences. He is a world-class scholar that was recruited from the University of California, Los Angeles, an AAU institution.

Stanish earned his BA from Pennsylvania State and his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. He has worked extensively in Peru, Bolivia, and Chile, conducting archaeological research on the prehistoric societies of the region. His theoretical work focuses on the roles that trade, war, ritual, and labor organization play in the evolution of human cooperation and complex societies. His primary books include *The Evolution of Human Co-operation* (2017-Cambridge), *Ancient*

Titicaca: The Evolution of Complex Society in Southern Peru and Northern Bolivia (2003-Berkeley), Ritual and Pilgrimage in the Ancient Andes (with B. Bauer, 2001-Texas) and Ancient Andean Political Economy (1992-Texas). He also works with a sustainable development group to preserve global cultural heritage through a combination of micro-lending, direct community grants, and tourist infrastructure development. He was a Senior Fellow at Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and an External Faculty member of the Santa Fe Institute.

The Chair paused for questions and/or comments. Comments from trustees included, reminded everyone that this is the most important responsibility of the Board and pleased it is such a distinguished and diverse search committee; reminder that the search needs to be inclusive throughout the greater Tampa Bay region; pleased with the diversity and outstanding faculty representation; and feeling they are off to a good start in such a short period of time.

Search Committee Chair, Trustee Muma committed to a transparent process and reminded trustees that the final decision is made by the board; he plans to inform the board throughout the process; feels strongly that the next president must be someone who can continue the treachery we are on today and reminded them that the firm selection will be by the full board.

Chair Lamb thanked the staff for the work they have been doing pulling everything today. He shared that Dr. Visot and GC Solis are gathering proposals from search firms and will provide the top two or three to him and Trustee Muma to review. He will pull board back together in the next two weeks to recommend the search firm.

Having no further comments or items, Chair Brian Lamb adjourned the BOT conference call at 3:33 PM.