

Board of Trustees of Northeastern Illinois University
Special Board Meeting Confidential Closed Session Minutes
June 25, 2024

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Northeastern Illinois University was convened on Tuesday, June 25, 2024 in the Student Union Golden Eagles Room located at 5500 N. St. Louis Avenue, Chicago, IL 60625. J. Todd Phillips, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

Roll was called and the following Trustees were present: Marvin Garcia; Jorge Leon; Edwin Medina; Michelle Morales; J. Todd Phillips; and Paula Wolff

Also present: Nicki Bazer, Interim General Counsel and Karl Voigt, Assistant Secretary to the Board

Motion to Allow Remote Participation

Trustee Wolff, seconded by Trustee Garcia, moved to allow Trustee Betty Fleurimond to participate in the meeting remotely.

Discussion: Trustee Fleurimond notified the Assistant Secretary in advance of the meeting. The request to participate remotely meets one of the conditions pursuant to Section 7(a) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120) and the Board's Bylaws.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Fleurimond:	Kalayil:	Medina: Yes	Phillips: Yes
Garcia: Yes	Leon: Yes	Morales: Yes	Wolff: Yes

The motion carried.

Opportunity for Public Comment in Accordance with P.A. 91-0715

Chair Phillips announced the opportunity for public comment. There were 3 registrations placed in advance. 1 registration was withdrawn and 2 presentations were made.

1. **Mary Serio**, representing AFSCME
Topic: communication
2. **Heather Carper**, representing self
Topic: failing infrastructure/plumbing facility issues

Motion to Convene in Closed Session

At 4:13 p.m. Trustee Wolff, seconded by Trustee Morales, moved to convene in Closed Session pursuant to Section 2(c)1 to deliberate over the President finalists.

Discussion: there was no discussion

Roll was called and the vote was as follows:

Fleurimond: Yes	Kalayil:	Medina: Yes	Phillips: Yes
Garcia: Yes	Leon: Yes	Morales: Yes	Wolff: Yes

The motion carried. Trustee Kalayil joined the meeting 4:25 p.m.

Motion to Reconvene in Open Session

At 7:22 p.m. Trustee Wolff, seconded by Trustee Morales, moved to reconvene in Open Session. The motion carried by acclamation.

Open Session

Chair Phillips announced that the Board has come to a unanimous decision on the next President of the University. A public announcement will follow the successful negotiation of an employment agreement.

Motion to Adjourn

At 7:29 p.m. Trustee Wolff, seconded by Trustee Kalayil, moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Todd Phillips, Chair of the Board
Karl Voigt, Assistant Secretary to the Board
Approved September 19, 2024