
MINUTES OF A MEETING
of
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
of
AUBURN UNIVERSITY

February 13, 2026

SCHEDULE AND AGENDA
FEBRUARY 13, 2026 BOARD MEETING
ON THE AUBURN UNIVERSITY AT MONTGOMERY CAMPUS
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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2. Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center – Analytical, Innovation and Manufacturing Laboratory, Final Approval (Jim Carroll/Mario Eden)
3. Haley Center Comprehensive Evaluation, Architect Selection (Jim Carroll/Vini Nathan)

Real Estate Approvals:

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VI. Recess Meeting

President *Pro Tempore* Sanford convened a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Auburn University on Friday, February 13, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at the Taylor Center on the Auburn University at Montgomery campus.

President *Pro Tempore* Sanford then called upon Board Secretary Waggoner to call the roll. The following voting board members were deemed to be in attendance:

Ms. Caroline M. Aderholt; Mr. William P. Ainsworth; Mr. Michael A. DeMaiores; Mr. Robert W. Dumas; Ms. Elizabeth H. Huntley; Mr. James R. Pratt, III; Mr. James W. Rane; Mr. Quentin P. Riggins; Mr. B.T. Roberts; Mr. M. Clark Sahlie; Mr. James H. Sanford; Mr. Wayne T. Smith; Mr. Zeke W. Smith; and Mr. Walter S. Woltosz.

Governor Kay Ivey, President of the Board; and Mr. Timothy Vines were absent from the meeting.

The individuals listed above represent all persons recognized as voting board members at the time of the meeting.

Also sitting with the Board were the following persons: Dr. Christopher B. Roberts, Auburn University President; and Mr. Jon G. Waggoner, Secretary to the Board of Trustees.

Board Secretary Waggoner welcomed those serving on the Board *ex officio* as follows: Dr. Lori Eckhardt, Faculty Advisor to the Board of Trustees from the Auburn University campus; Dr. Gil Duenas, Faculty Advisor to the Board of Trustees from the Auburn University at Montgomery campus; Mr. Owen Beaverstock, President of the Auburn University Student Government Association; and Mr. Samuel Alford, the President of the Auburn University at Montgomery Student Government Association.

Board Secretary Waggoner also welcomed the following persons that serve Auburn University and AUM in various capacities: Dr. Virginia Davis, Academic Affairs Committee Faculty Representative; Dr. Kira Bowen, Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee Faculty Representative; Dr. Kimberly Pyszka, AUM Committee Faculty Representative; Dr. Kerry Inger, Finance Committee Faculty Representative; Dr. William Lyle, Finance Committee Faculty Representative; Dr. Jason Bryant, Institutional Advancement Committee Faculty Representative; Professor Lauren Redden, Property and Facilities Committee Faculty Representative; Dr. Karen Hopkins, Student Affairs Faculty Representative; Dr. Paul Fox, Student Affairs Faculty Representative; Mr. Thomas Sawyer, Chair of the Auburn University Administrative & Professional Assembly; Ms. Kimberly McCadden, Chair of the Auburn University Staff Council; Ms. Susan Cashwell, President of the AUM Faculty Senate; Ms. Amy Ingram, President of the AUM Staff Council; Ms. Beth Stukes, Chair of the Auburn University Foundation Board of Directors; Mr. Jeffery Moore, President of the Auburn Alumni Association; and Mr. Rehman Qureshi, President of the Graduate Student Council.

The following persons were also in attendance at the meeting: Dr. Vini Nathan, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs; Ms. Kelli Shomaker, Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Bobby Woodard, Senior Vice

President for Student Affairs; Ms. Jaime Hammer, Senior Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel; Mr. Jim Carroll, Vice President for Facilities Management; Dr. Carl Stockton, Chancellor of AUM; Mr. Mark Stirling, Director of Auburn University Real Estate; Dr. Joffrey Gaymon, Vice President for Enrollment; Mr. Kevin Robinson, Vice President for Audit, Compliance & Privacy; Dr. Jared White, Vice President for Governmental Affairs; and Dr. Jennifer Adams, Executive Director of Public Relations.

The Board then met in various committees, each discussing the items which would later appear on the Reconvened Board Meeting Agenda, as follows:

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026 AT 9:10 A.M.**

Chairperson Z. Smith convened a meeting of the Property and Facilities Committee of the Auburn University Board of Trustees on Friday, February 13, 2026 at 9:10 a.m. at the Taylor Center on the Auburn University at Montgomery campus.

After calling the committee meeting to order, Chairperson Z. Smith called upon Mr. Carroll for discussion of the following Property and Facilities Committee agenda items:

1. Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station – Outlying Units Support Buildings, Final Approval

Mr. Carroll reported that the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station (AAES) proposed the construction of new support buildings providing laboratories and office space at their outlying units in multiple locations across the state. He noted that the original proposed locations included the E.V. Smith Research Center, Brewton Agricultural Research Unit, and the recently purchased property in Autaugaville. He stated that following the original project approval, the AAES has proposed also including the Chilton Research and Extension Center, increasing the number of locations to four. He added that the project is planned to construct a new, approximately 2,500-square-foot facility at each of the proposed locations.

Mr. Carroll indicated that the estimated total project cost is \$6.0 million, to be financed by AAES funds.

Mr. Carroll stated that the request before the Board of Trustees is to adopt a resolution providing final approval of the project.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Ms. Huntley and seconded by Mr. DeMaioribus. The committee approved the motion by voice vote.

2. Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center – Analytical, Innovation and Manufacturing Laboratory, Final Approval

Mr. Carroll reported that the Samuel Ginn College of Engineering proposed the renovation of unfurnished area within the Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center. He explained that the project will renovate 16,000 square feet of unfurnished space into laboratory space for electronics manufacturing, material analytics, and advanced manufacturing. He stated that a new terraced entrance will be constructed off the Ginn Concourse to enhance access to the laboratory and bring natural light into the space. He noted that program requirements also include collaboration and service spaces to support the laboratory.

Mr. Carroll indicated that the estimated total project cost is \$14.5 million, to be financed by funds specifically designated for this project within the State of Alabama FY23 supplemental appropriations.

Mr. Carroll stated that the request before the Board of Trustees is to adopt a resolution providing final approval of the project.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. Dumas and seconded by Mr. Roberts. The committee approved the motion by voice vote.

3. Haley Center Comprehensive Evaluation, Architect Selection

Mr. Carroll reported that the Office of the Provost proposed a comprehensive evaluation of the Haley Center. He explained that the evaluation will yield a recommendation as to whether the existing facility will be renovated, altered, or replaced, leading to a capital program aligning with its recommendations. He shared that the existing Haley Center requires all major building systems to be replaced and all instructional academic areas to be aligned with other major Auburn University academic buildings.

Mr. Carroll stated that the request before the Board of Trustees is to adopt a resolution approving the selection of the firm Davis Architects of Birmingham, Alabama, in partnership with Robert A.M. Stern Architects of New York, New York, as the project architect.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. Riggins and seconded by Mr. Sahlie. The committee approved the motion by voice vote.

4. Authority to Sublease Property at the Auburn University Applied Research Laboratory in Huntsville, Alabama

Mr. Carroll reported that in 2024, the Board approved a project to construct a new Applied Research Laboratory in Huntsville's Cummings Research Park. He expressed that the investment in a third building will allow Auburn to grow its collaborative programs with the defense, aerospace, and biotechnology sectors in the Huntsville-Redstone Arsenal community. He explained it is imperative to expand opportunities to develop new research partnerships by allowing selected partners to co-locate on Auburn's Huntsville campus when these partnerships are in alignment with our strategic goals and will help advance our overall research programs.

Mr. Carroll stated that the request before the Board of Trustees is to adopt a resolution to take such action as necessary to sublease space at the Auburn University Research and Innovation Campus.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. DeMaioribus and seconded by Mr. Woltosz. The committee approved the motion by voice vote.

5. Authority to Advertise Property for Lease on Wire Road in Auburn, Alabama

Mr. Carroll reported that the proposal involves a 2.6-acre parcel owned by the university in Auburn, Alabama. He explained that the parcel is not contiguous to campus and the adjoining parcels have been recently purchased, so thus not likely to be acquired by the university. He noted that it has been determined that it is not plausible to use this small, currently unused parcel for any future need. He stated that the real estate office has fielded a number of requests to acquire the property, and that staff seek approval to solicit responses to an RFP to lease the property from the university.

Mr. Carroll stated that the request before the Board of Trustees is to adopt a resolution authorizing the President to accept offers to lease the 2.6 acres on Wire Road and execute a 50-year lease agreement with the successful bidder.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. Riggins and seconded by Mr. Sahlie. The committee approved the motion by voice vote. Mr. Rane abstained from the vote.

6. Authority to Execute Extension of Milstead Lease at the E.V. Smith Research Center in Shorter, Alabama

Mr. Carroll reported that on April 3, 1998, the Board authorized execution of a ground lease of ten acres of university property located at the E.V. Smith Research Center for the construction of a cotton gin. He noted that in September 1998, the Board approved an amendment to the Milstead Lease to increase the acreage to 25 acres. He added that in April 2019, the Board approved a modification to the location of a portion of the acreage to accommodate a new grain storage facility. He shared that the current ground lease has a 50-year term and is effective until April 2, 2048.

Mr. Carroll stated that Auburn University has benefited from the relationship with Milstead and has no higher-priority plans to use this leased parcel. He indicated that the proposed lease amendment will enhance the cooperative partnership and will not interfere with any other planned use of the adjoining property by the university.

Mr. Carroll shared that the request was initiated by Milstead through the Director of the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station, Dr. Greg Pate. He explained that the request has been reviewed and supported by the Director of the E.V. Smith Research Center, the Provost, and the Director of Real Estate.

Mr. Carroll stated that the request before the Board of Trustees is to adopt a resolution to take such action as is necessary to execute the lease amendment.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. Dumas and seconded by Mr. DeMaioribus. The committee approved the motion by voice vote.

7. Authority to Execute a New AT&T Cell Tower Site License Agreement in Auburn, Alabama

Mr. Carroll reported that the ability of cellular telephone service to adequately serve Auburn University and its constituents in the future depends on the location of cellular antennas on and around campus. He noted that the shift to 5G wireless services by cellular carriers has raised the demand for cellular infrastructure to meet the growing needs of students, staff, and visitors. He explained that the university has worked closely over the years with the three major carriers and that since 2003, AT&T has been granted a small mobile cellular site on South College around the Auburn Hotel. He indicated that the site was relocated to Cambridge Residence Hall in 2018; however, due to demolition of Cambridge and the construction of the new East Thach Residence Hall, there is a need to relocate the small tower site to a new location. He stated that AT&T has sked for the ability to build a larger tower because of the current usage demand and traffic load.

Mr. Carroll stated that the request before the Board of Trustees is to adopt a resolution authorizing and empowering President Roberts to negotiate and execute a five-year site license agreement with up to 5 five-year extensions for multi-carrier telecommunications tower on the property adjacent to the AUHCC and South College parking deck.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Ms. Huntley and seconded by Mr. Woltosz. The committee approved the motion by voice vote.

8. Authority to Purchase Land on Cox Road in Auburn, Alabama

Mr. Carroll reported that the National Center for Asphalt Technology (NCAT) was established in 1986 as a partnership between Auburn University and the National Asphalt Pavement Association Research and Education Foundation to provide practical research and development to meet the needs of maintaining America's highway infrastructure.

He stated that the proposal involves the purchase of a 10.8-acre commercial parcel from Land Acquisition Partners in Auburn, Alabama for One Million Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars. He noted that the parcel is located at 456 Lee Road 10 (Cox Road) and is adjacent to the NCAT office in the Auburn Industrial Park. He concluded by sharing that the combined 19.5-acre site would allow NCAT to expand the office complex, training center, and research capabilities of the main office location.

Mr. Carroll stated that the request before the Board of Trustees is to adopt a resolution approving the offer to purchase the property at 456 Lee Road 10, Auburn, Alabama for \$1,850,000, and authorizing President Roberts to purchase the parcel.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. W. Smith and seconded by Mr. Riggins. The committee approved the motion by voice vote.

9. Status Update – *For Information Only*

Mr. Carroll presented the following item to the Board:

a. Current Status of New Construction/Renovation/Infrastructure Projects with Budgets of \$5,000,000 and Greater

The item was presented for information only; no vote was taken.

Chairperson Z. Smith thanked Mr. Carroll for his reports, and with there being no further items, recessed the committee meeting at 9:30 a.m.

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026 AT 9:30 A.M.**

Chairperson Roberts convened a meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee of the Auburn University Board of Trustees on Friday, February 13, 2026 at 9:30 a.m. at the Taylor Center on the Auburn University at Montgomery campus.

After calling the committee meeting to order, Chairperson Roberts called upon Dr. Stockton for discussion of the first Academic Affairs Committee agenda item.

1. Proposed Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Management

Dr. Stockton reported that the College of Business at Auburn University at Montgomery proposes a Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Management. He explained that the new undergraduate degree advances the missions of AUM and the College of Business by preparing graduates for entry-level leadership and operations roles across hospitals, ambulatory and post-acute settings, physician enterprises, and payer/partner organizations. He stated that the online course is designed to widen access to high-demand healthcare management careers while supporting Alabama employers.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. W. Smith and seconded by Ms. Huntley. The committee approved the motion by voice vote.

Chairperson Roberts thanked Dr. Stockton for his report and then called upon Dr. Nathan for discussion of the committee's second agenda item.

2. Agenda Item for the Board of Trustees – *For Information Only*

Dr. Nathan reported that the following items have been approved for implementation by the Provost's Office:

New Graduate Certificate: *Graduate Certificate in Marketing*, Harbert College of Business

New Graduate Degree Option: *Master of Science in Architecture – Mass Timber Design Option*, College of Architecture, Design and Construction

The item was presented for information only; no vote was taken.

Chairperson Roberts thanked Dr. Nathan for her report, and with there being no further items, recessed the committee meeting at 9:35 a.m.

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026 AT 9:35 A.M.**

Chairperson Ainsworth convened a meeting of the Audit and Compliance Committee of the Auburn University Board of Trustees on Friday, February 13, 2026 at 9:35 a.m. at the Taylor Center on the Auburn University at Montgomery campus.

After calling the committee meeting to order, Chairperson Ainsworth called upon Ms. Shomaker for discussion of the single Audit and Compliance Committee agenda item.

1. Review of Audited Financial Report – *For Information Only*

Ms. Shomaker provided a brief overview of the Audited Financial Report and responded to questions accordingly.

Representatives from PricewaterhouseCoopers then provided an in-depth review of the financial auditing process.

The item was presented for information only; no vote was taken.

Chairperson Ainsworth thanked Ms. Shomaker for her report, and with there being no further items, recessed the committee meeting at 9:40 a.m.

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026 AT 9:40 A.M.**

Chairperson Riggins convened a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Auburn University Board of Trustees on Friday, February 13, 2026 at 9:40 a.m. at the Taylor Center on the Auburn University at Montgomery campus.

1. Proposed Adoption of Auburn University Governance and Authority Policy

Chairperson Riggins first discussed the Proposed Adoption of Auburn University Governance and Authority Policy. He stated that the General Counsel has been working at the direction of the Board to evaluate Board policies and bylaws, historical board actions related to delegation of authority, and various University policies and procedures related to University management and control. He indicated that with adoption of this policy the Board will clarify its longstanding constitutional governance responsibility and clearly delegate all administrative responsibility to the President.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. W. Smith and seconded by Ms. Huntley. The committee approved the motion by voice vote.

Chairperson Riggins then called upon Dr. Vini Nathan, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, to discuss the committee's second item.

2. Posthumous Awarding of the Bachelor of Civil Engineering to Jacob Douglas Hurst

Dr. Nathan reported that a request is before the Board to award posthumously the Bachelor of Civil Engineering to Jacob Douglas Hurst.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. Dumas and seconded by Mr. DeMaioribus. The committee approved the motion by voice vote.

3. Proposed 2026-2027 Meeting Dates

Chairperson Riggins then reported that the following 2026-2027 meeting dates were proposed: September 11, 2026; November 20, 2026; February 5, 2027 (AUM Campus); April 9, 2027; and June 4, 2027 (Annual Meeting).

4. Proposed Awards and Namings

Chairperson Riggins then asked for a motion to move consideration of a list of proposed awards and namings to the reconvened meeting.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. Dumas and seconded by Ms. Huntley. The committee approved the motion by voice vote.

Chairperson Riggins then called upon President *Pro Tempore* Sanford for discussion of the committee's final item.

**5. Appointment of Trustees to the Presidential Assessment Working Group –
*For Information Only***

President *Pro Tempore* Sanford shared that he appointed Trustees DeMaioribus, Dumas, Rane, Riggins, and W. Smith to serve alongside him on the Presidential Assessment Working Group.

The item was presented for information only; no vote was taken.

With there being no further items, Chairperson Riggins recessed the committee meeting at 9:50 a.m.

President *Pro Tempore* Sanford then moved to reports from various committee chairpersons and lead trustees as follows:

Alumni

Lead Trustee Dumas began by sharing that today Auburn has 257,131 living alumni, and that it is fairly evenly distributed across life stages as follows: 37 percent categorized as young alumni, age 40 and under; 37 percent in the mid-life category, ages 41-62; seasoned alumni, age 63 and above, make up 24 percent; and 2 percent are currently unidentified. He stated that in addition to alumni, the Advancement Engagement team also engage a significant audience of parents and friends of Auburn, totaling approximately 223,000 individuals. He noted that a key pillar of the Advancement Engagement team's work is the network of alumni clubs, which serve as local touchpoints across the country.

Lead Trustee Dumas concluded his report by indicating that this year marks the 25th anniversary of the Lifetime Achievement Awards, which will take place on June 6 at The Gogue Performing Arts Center. He shared that this year's recipients are Bennie Bray, Harold Melton, Jimmy Rane, and George Uthlaut, and the Young Alumni honoree is Emily Taylor.

Governmental Affairs Committee

Chairperson Rane began his report by sharing that Congress reached an agreement in February to pass 11 of the 21 government funding bills through the remainder of the fiscal year. He stated that Alabama's congressional delegation secured approximately \$75 million for Auburn University priorities this year. He thanked Congressman Rogers, Congressman Aderholt, Congressman Strong, and Senator Britt for their support. He indicated that President Roberts and senior leaders will visit Washington, D.C. in the coming weeks to discuss Auburn's activities.

Chairperson Rane concluded his report by sharing that the State Legislature convened for the final session of this quadrennium on January 13. He noted that the appropriations package introduced by Governor Ivey was very favorable for Auburn.

Institutional Advancement Committee

Chairperson Woltosz began his report by sharing an endowment update. He stated that the current combined endowment value is \$1.470 billion, with the foundation and university portfolios valuing \$1.060 billion and \$410 million, respectively. He noted that the 1-year performance return was 14.2 percent and the 5-year annualized return was 9.9 percent.

Chairperson Woltosz shared that the payout for the year ending December 31, 2024 was transferred from the endowment and made available for spending on January 29, 2025. He stated that the payout was \$52.6 million, representing an increase from \$49.1 million the previous year.

Chairperson Woltosz concluded his report by sharing a philanthropy update. He shared that the 2026 Fiscal Year fundraising goal is \$205,000,000—with \$78,365,891 raised (38% of the goal met with 35% of the year elapsed).

Research and Technology Committee

Chairperson DeMaioribus began his report by sharing a research ranking update. He reported that Auburn University moved up three positions to number 87 in the National Science Foundation Higher Education Research and Development survey, marking the highest ranking the university has achieved.

He noted that Auburn faculty are continuing to increase their pursuit of external research funding. He stated that, thus far this year, faculty have submitted 20 percent more proposals than at the same time last year and that the \$252 million value of those proposals represents a 23 percent increase compared to the same point in the prior year.

Chairperson DeMaioribus also shared that the Auburn University Applied Research Institute will support development of the Golden Dome missile defense system through a recently awarded prime contract with the Missile Defense Agency in Huntsville.

He further reported that the Applied Research Institute is opening a second research building in Huntsville. He explained that a major component of the facility will be the only university-led high-energy proton testing facility in the United States dedicated to testing electronics for space applications. He noted that the facility will house an \$8.5 million, 30-ton superconducting cyclotron located in a purpose-built radiation vault. He added that this new radiation testing capability positions Auburn as a national leader in space and defense electronics assurance and space-systems reliability while expanding partnerships with federal agencies and industry.

Chairperson DeMaioribus also provided an update on Auburn's innovation and technology commercialization efforts. He shared that during the past year Auburn faculty filed 77 invention disclosures, were issued 13 U.S. patents, and executed 42 new license agreements with companies seeking to commercialize Auburn-developed technology.

He concluded his report by sharing an example of Auburn's national impact. While recently in Washington, D.C., Dr. Steve Taylor observed a detection dog and its Secret Service handler working in Lafayette Park across from the White House. The agent noted that the dog was a "Vapor Wake" dog and was familiar with Auburn University's vapor wake training methodologies. Chairperson DeMaioribus shared that the dog had been bred and trained by a Wisconsin-based company that is a licensed, royalty-paying user of Auburn's Vapor Wake technology developed by the College of Veterinary Medicine, demonstrating the real-world impact of Auburn research and innovation.

President *Pro Tempore* Sanford thanked the chairpersons and lead trustees for their reports. He then indicated that the committee meetings and trustee reports were complete.

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026 AT 10:00 A.M.**

President *Pro Tempore* Sanford convened a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees on Friday, February 13, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at the Taylor Center on the Auburn University at Montgomery campus.

President *Pro Tempore* Sanford asked General Counsel Hammer if there was any pending litigation that needed to be discussed in an executive session. General Counsel Hammer indicated that there was pending litigation that needed to be discussed in an executive session.

President *Pro Tempore* Sanford then asked for a motion for the Board to enter an executive session. A motion was received from Mr. Rane and seconded by Mr. W. Smith. The Board approved the motion by voice vote.

President *Pro Tempore* Sanford recessed the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 10:05 a.m.

**MINUTES OF A RECONVENED MEETING OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026 AT 11:15 A.M.**

President *Pro Tempore* Sanford reconvened the meeting of the Board of Trustees on Friday, February 13, 2026 at 11:15 a.m. at the Taylor Center on the Auburn University at Montgomery campus.

After reconvening the meeting, President *Pro Tempore* Sanford reminded everyone that today was the last meeting for Mr. Owen Beaverstock, the outgoing president of the Auburn University Student Government Association, in his official capacity as an ex officio board member. Accordingly, President *Pro Tempore* Sanford invited Mr. Beaverstock to deliver final remarks.

President *Pro Tempore* Sanford congratulated Mr. Beaverstock on an exemplary job and thanked him for his work during the past year, stating “Thank you, Owen. Your dedication and contributions to the university and to your fellow students have been truly outstanding. We are excited to watch your journey ahead and can’t wait to see all the incredible things you will achieve in the future.”

President *Pro Tempore* Sanford then asked for a motion to adopt the minutes of the November 21, 2025 meeting. A motion was received from Mr. Rane and seconded by Mr. W. Smith. The Board approved the motion by voice vote.

The following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

WHEREAS, copies of the minutes of the November 21, 2025 meeting of the Board of Trustees have been distributed to all members of this Board for review; and

WHEREAS, the members have reviewed the minutes and determined that they constitute a true and correct recitation of the business of the respective meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the minutes of the November 21, 2025 meeting of the Board of Trustees are hereby approved as distributed.

**PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT**

Chairperson Z. Smith indicated that the Property and Facilities Committee met earlier and discussed eight action items and one item of information. Chairperson Z. Smith moved for approval of a consent agenda for the committee's eight action items.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was received from Chairperson Z. Smith and seconded by Mr. Rane. The Board then approved the motion by voice vote.

The following resolutions were approved in the consent agenda:

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

ALABAMA AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION
OUTLYING UNITS SUPPORT BUILDINGS

FINAL PROJECT APPROVAL

WHEREAS, the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station (AAES) proposed the construction of new support buildings providing laboratories and office space for four outlying units; and

WHEREAS, the AAES-Outlying Units Support Buildings project will construct a new, approximately 2,500-square-foot building at the EV Smith Research Center, Brewton Agricultural Research Unit, Autauga Research Center and the Chilton Research and Extension Center; and

WHEREAS, at its previous meeting on April 3, 2025, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station – Outlying Units Support Buildings project and approved the recommendation of JMR+H Architecture of Montgomery, Alabama, as the architect for the overall project; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total project cost of the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station – Outlying Units Support Buildings project is \$6.0 million to be financed by AAES funds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board of Trustees policy “D-3, Capital Projects Approval,” the final approval of the project must be submitted to the Auburn University Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station – Outlying Units Support Buildings project is approved and that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to perform the following tasks:

1. Establish a budget for the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station – Outlying Units Support Buildings project in the amount of \$6.0 million to be financed by AAES funds; and
2. Direct the consultants to complete the required plans for the project; and
3. Solicit bids and award a contract for construction conditioned upon the lowest responsible and responsive bid being consistent with the approved project budget.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

BROWN-KOPEL ENGINEERING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT CENTER
ANALYTICAL, INNOVATION AND MANUFACTURING LABORATORY

FINAL PROJECT APPROVAL

WHEREAS, the Samuel Ginn College of Engineering proposed the renovation of the remaining unfinished area within the plinth of the Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center; and

WHEREAS, the project will renovate 16,000 square feet into laboratory space for electronics manufacturing, material analytics and advanced manufacturing with a new terraced entrance off the Ginn Concourse to enhance access to the laboratory and bring natural light into the space; and

WHEREAS, at its previous meeting on June 7, 2024, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center – Analytical, Innovation and Manufacturing Laboratory project and at its meeting on September 6, 2024, approved the recommendation of Caldwell Architects of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, as the architect for the overall project; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total project cost of the Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center – Analytical, Innovation and Manufacturing Laboratory project is \$14.5 million, to be financed by funds specifically designated for this project within the State of Alabama FY23 supplemental appropriations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board of Trustees policy “D-3, Capital Projects Approval,” the final approval of the project must be submitted to the Auburn University Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center – Analytical, Innovation and Manufacturing Laboratory project is approved and that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to perform the following tasks:

1. Establish a budget for the Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center – Analytical, Innovation and Manufacturing Laboratory project at \$14.5 million, to be financed by funds specifically designated for this project within the State of Alabama FY23 supplemental appropriations; and

2. Direct the consultants to complete the required plans for the project; and
3. Solicit bids and award a contract for construction conditioned upon the lowest responsible and responsive bid being consistent with the approved project budget.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

HALEY CENTER COMPREHENSIVE EVALUATION

APPROVAL OF PROJECT ARCHITECT

WHEREAS, at its meeting of November 21, 2025, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Haley Center Comprehensive Evaluation project and authorized the commencement of the architect selection process; and

WHEREAS, the Haley Center Comprehensive Evaluation will yield a recommendation as to whether the existing facility will be renovated, altered or replaced, leading to a capital program aligning with said recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the University Architect, after conducting interviews with nine (9) candidate firms, determined the architectural firm Davis Architects of Birmingham, Alabama, teamed with Robert A.M. Stern Architects (RAMSA) of New York, New York, are best qualified to provide design services on this evaluation and subsequent project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board of Trustees policy “D-3, Capital Projects Approval,” the selection of the project architect must be submitted to the Auburn University Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to perform the following tasks:

1. Engage the firm Davis Architects of Birmingham, Alabama, teamed with RAMSA of New York, New York, as project architect to consult in the development of the facility evaluation, program and project design; and
2. Limit the project planning and design development to the schematic phase until the program requirements, budget, funding plan, and site are approved by the Board.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

AUTHORITY TO SUBLEASE PROPERTY AT THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY APPLIED RESEARCH LABORATORY
IN HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA

WHEREAS, In December of 2021 the Board of Trustees approved the purchase of a two-building campus located in the Cummings Research Park at 345 Voyager Way Huntsville, Alabama now known as the Auburn University Research and Innovation Campus (“Campus”); and

WHEREAS, the university purchased the Campus to create a significant presence in the Huntsville community and to grow the university’s research portfolio; and

WHEREAS, In August of 2024 the Board of Trustees approved a project to build additional research space in the Applied Research Laboratory located in the Cummings Research Park at 905 Mark C. Smith Drive in Huntsville, Alabama now; and

WHEREAS, in August of 2023, the Board of Trustees approved leasing available space in the Voyager Way property when such a lease aligns with Auburn University’s strategic research priorities and facilitates the development of new partnerships with the defense, aerospace, and biotechnology sectors; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Vice President for Research and Economic Development seeks approval to lease available office space and ground leases at the 905 Mark C. Smith Drive property for the same reason; and

WHEREAS, revenue generated by such leases will be used to defray the costs of the facilities and support the operation of the Applied Research Institute; and

WHEREAS, Board of Trustees’ policy D-8 requires approval from the board to lease university property; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has previously approved similar development approvals for leasing property at the Original Huntsville location, Auburn University Airport, and the Thomas Walter MRI Building at Auburn University Research Park; and

WHEREAS, authorization for the President to execute such leases is consistent with the desire to expand university research and its commitment to serve the defense, aerospace, and biotechnology sectors of our economy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that leasing office space and ground at the Auburn University Research and Innovation Campus enhances the operation of, and is in the best interest of, the university, and that Christopher B. Roberts, President or such person as may be acting as President is hereby authorized and empowered to take such action as is necessary to lease office space and ground at the Campus. All documents consummating the lease of office space or ground at the Campus shall be reviewed, as to form, by the General Counsel.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

AUTHORITY TO ADVERTISE PROPERTY FOR LEASE ON WIRE ROAD IN

AUBURN, ALABAMA

WHEREAS, Auburn University owns a small amount of real property in Alabama that is not used for its core mission; and

WHEREAS, the Auburn, AL real estate holdings include a 2.6-acre parcel of property at Wire Road that was purchased by the university in 1962 to hold for the potential to expand the campus to the Southwest; and

WHEREAS, Auburn University does not currently utilize this parcel nor intend to do so in the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS, Leasing the parcel would generate revenue and other benefits that could support Auburn University; and

WHEREAS, Alabama law permits the University to offer real property for lease by listing it in a request for proposal (RFP) to solicit qualified responses; and

WHEREAS, the University would offer to lease the parcel for up to 50 years to the highest bidder with an acceptable use; and

WHEREAS, any proposed lease transactions resulting from the RFP shall be presented to the Board of Trustees for its review and approval prior to completing the leases.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that, given the unique location of the property and possible commercial and retail opportunities there, it is economically justified and in the best interest of the University to offer the property described above for lease through a request for proposal process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such person as may be acting as President or his designee, is hereby authorized and empowered to solicit lease offers for the property described above, consistent with Board policy and Alabama law, provided that any proposed lease transactions must be reviewed and approved by the Board of Trustees prior to closing.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE EXTENSION OF MILSTEAD LEASE AT THE E. V. SMITH
RESEARCH CENTER IN SHORTER, ALABAMA

WHEREAS, in April 1998, the Auburn University Board of Trustees authorized a fifty-year ground lease of ten acres at the E.V. Smith Research Center to Milstead Farm Group, Inc. ("Milstead"), for the construction of a cotton gin and related uses; and

WHEREAS, in September 1998, the Board of Trustees approved an amendment to increase the leased acreage to twenty-five acres; and

WHEREAS, April 2019, the Board of Trustees approved a modification to the Milstead leased area, an approximately 2.5-acre parcel, that was too wet to be used for cotton module storage as well as a term extension to April 2, 2048; and

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2023, a tornado ripped through Macon County and destroyed the Milstead gin. Milstead completely renovated the gin and returned it to full operation; and

WHEREAS, Milstead has requested a 30-year extension (effective end date April 2, 2078) to allow them to finance the extensive renovations caused by the tornado; and

WHEREAS, the proposed lease amendment will enhance the cooperative partnership between the University and Milstead and will not interfere with any other planned use of the adjoining property by the University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the lease amendment described above is in the best interest of Auburn University, in furtherance of its academic mission, and is undertaken for institution-related purposes designed to enhance the operation of Auburn University.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such person as may be acting as President, is hereby authorized and empowered to execute an amendment to the Milstead ground lease, as described above, with such amendment to be reviewed as to form by legal counsel for Auburn University.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE A NEW AT&T CELL TOWER SITE

LICENSE AGREEMENT IN AUBURN, ALABAMA

WHEREAS, the Office of Information Technology is committed to providing the telecommunication services necessary in support of Auburn University's mission, as well as staff, student and visitor expectations, with wireless services considered essential to future operations, and the current level of cellular telephone services on campus is inadequate and needs to be upgraded; and

WHEREAS, the cellular service providers have determined that existing university coverage is poor along the South College Street side of campus and requires cellular telephone service upgrades, and that these upgrades would be best accomplished with construction of a new tower; and

WHEREAS, AT&T has provided service to this side of campus since 2003 by virtue of a small cell site license agreement adjacent to the South College Street parking deck near the AU Hotel and Conference Center; and

WHEREAS, This site was relocated to the Cambridge Residence Hall because of the construction of the hotel parking deck; and

WHEREAS, the demolition of the Cambridge Residence Hall requires the site to be relocated again; and

WHEREAS, allowing AT&T to construct a tower adjacent to the South College Street parking deck will allow all carriers to co-locate on the site, thus resolving the coverage issue for all cellular providers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to negotiate and execute, in the best interest of Auburn University, a five-year site license agreement with up to 5 five-year extensions for a multi-carrier telecommunications tower on the property adjacent to the AU Hotel and South College Street parking deck. All documents consummating the agreement shall be reviewed as to form by legal counsel of Auburn University.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

AUTHORITY TO PURCHASE LAND ON COX ROAD IN AUBURN, ALABAMA

WHEREAS, Auburn University is interested in acquiring property in Auburn, Alabama, for the benefit of Auburn University and its National Center for Asphalt Technology (NCAT); and

WHEREAS, the property consists of 10.8 acres located at 456 Lee Road 10 (Cox Road), Auburn, AL; and

WHEREAS, this parcel is located close to the intersection of Cox Road and I-85 and is adjacent to the NCAT main office property in Auburn Technology Park; and

WHEREAS, the additional property will allow NCAT to expand the office and research ability of the main office location; and

WHEREAS, the property will be transferred by general warranty deed; and

WHEREAS, the purchase price does not exceed the MAI appraisals of the property; and

WHEREAS, the University has acquired an option to purchase the property, subject to AU Board of Trustees approval

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that AU approve the offer to purchase the property at 456 Lee Road 10 (Cox Road), Auburn, Alabama for One Million eight hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$1,850,000.00); and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such person as may be acting as President, or his designee, is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase the parcel described above, consistent with Alabama law, provided that any proposed sale transactions must be reviewed and approved by the Office of General Counsel prior to closing.

**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT**

Chairperson Roberts indicated that the Academic Affairs Committee met earlier and discussed one action item and one item of information. Chairperson Roberts moved for approval of the committee's single action.

A motion to approve the resolution was received from Chairperson Roberts and seconded by Ms. Huntley. The Board then approved the motion by voice vote.

The following resolution was approved:

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

PROPOSED BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT (BSHM)

WHEREAS, the College of Business at Auburn University at Montgomery (AUM) wishes to create a Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Management (BSHM) to prepare graduates for entry-level leadership and management roles across hospitals, clinics, long-term care, and related health organizations; and

WHEREAS, the proposed BSHM will be delivered fully online in an adult-learner-friendly format to broaden access for working professionals and remote students; and

WHEREAS, the program is designed to recruit (1) graduates of allied-health Associate of Science (AS) degrees, including Radiologic Technology, Medical Laboratory, Respiratory Therapy, and Nursing, who seek advancement into management, and (2) students who wish to enter healthcare as a profession and require a 100% online pathway; and

WHEREAS, Associate degree-prepared students will typically complete approximately 60 additional credit hours at AUM to reach the 120-hour bachelor's requirement, while students without an Associate's degree will complete the full 120-hour BSHM curriculum online; and

WHEREAS, the curriculum provides a career-ready management toolkit covering healthcare finance and reimbursement, analytics and decision support, quality improvement and patient safety, leadership and human resources, the U.S. health system, policy/law/ethics, and applied projects/practicums aligning with employer needs and AUM's mission; and

WHEREAS, the program includes a stackable graduate pathway that allows students to complete six hours of cross-listed coursework applicable to the Master of Healthcare Administration (MHA) and to pursue express admission to the MHA upon meeting specified academic criteria, thereby strengthening AUM's talent pipeline; and

WHEREAS, the program will launch using existing faculty and no additional resources are required; and

WHEREAS, library and online learning resources are adequate to support the program; and

WHEREAS, the proposal for the BSHM has been endorsed through the appropriate academic approvals, including the AUM Department of Business Administration, the AUM College of Business, College of Business Curriculum Committee, the AUM Curriculum Committee, the Provost, and the Chancellor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Auburn University Board of Trustees that the proposed Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Management (BSHM) from the College of Business at Auburn University at Montgomery be approved and submitted to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) for review and approval.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Chairperson Riggins first discussed the Proposed Adoption of Auburn University Governance and Authority Policy. A motion to approve the resolution was received from Chairperson Roberts and seconded by Mr. Rane. The Board then approved the motion by voice vote.

Chairperson Riggins then presented the Posthumous Awarding of the Bachelor of Civil Engineering to Jacob Douglas Hurst. A motion to approve the resolution was received from Chairperson Roberts and seconded by Mr. Pratt. The Board then approved the motion by voice vote.

Chairperson Riggins then discussed the Proposed 2026-2027 Meeting Dates. A motion to approve the resolution was received from Chairperson Roberts and seconded by Ms. Huntley. The Board then approved the motion by voice vote.

Chairperson Riggins then presented the list of Proposed Awards and Namings. A motion to approve the resolution was received from Chairperson Roberts and seconded by Mr. W. Smith. The Board then approved the motion by voice vote.

The following resolutions were approved:

RESOLUTION

ADOPTION OF AUBURN UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE AND AUTHORITY POLICY

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Auburn University (the “Board of Trustees”) establishes the policies and procedures which guide and direct its actions and those of Auburn University;

WHEREAS, the General Counsel has studied and reviewed university policies, procedures, and written directives concerning significant institutional matters applicable to all or a large portion of Auburn University and its colleges, departments, administrative units, or similar components, along with written policies and procedures of the Board of Trustees and other subordinate policies (collectively, the “University Policies”);

WHEREAS, the General Counsel has identified unintentional inconsistencies and ambiguities among the University Policies;

WHEREAS, in order to address such inconsistencies and ambiguities and align the Board of Trustees, administration, faculty, and staff by defining a hierarchy of all University Policies, the Board of Trustees now desires to adopt and approve the Auburn University Governance and Authority Policy in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 1 (the “Governance and Authority Policy”); and

WHEREAS, in connection therewith, the Board of Trustees desires to amend and restate the existing Employee Code of Conduct and Ethics in its entirety, and replace the same with the Auburn University Code of Conduct and Ethics in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 2 (the “Code”).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the Governance and Authority Policy, as attached hereto as Exhibit 1, be, and hereby is, adopted and approved in all respects, effective as of the date of these resolutions;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the Governance and Authority Policy be added to, and included as item A-8 of, the Policies and Procedures Manual of the Board of Trustees, as the same may be amended from time to time;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the Code, as attached hereto as Exhibit 2, be, and hereby is, adopted and approved in all respects, effective as of the date of these resolutions;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the Code be added to and replace item A-7 of the Policies and Procedures Manual of the Board of Trustees, as the same may be amended from time to time;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the Governance and Authority Policy is intended to supersede any and all prior delegations of authority pertaining to University Policies, including, without limitation, the Board of Trustees’s November 15, 2013, delegation of authority to approve procedures for the administration of faculty personnel policies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, each member of the Board of Trustees voting in favor of the adoption of these resolutions hereby waives any and all applicable notice and timing requirements, as well as any and all other objections that may otherwise be available to be raised concerning these revisions.

EXHIBIT 1

AUBURN UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE AND AUTHORITY POLICY

(attached)

A-8. AUBURN UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE AND AUTHORITY POLICY

As set forth in Section 2.02 of the Bylaws of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Trustees is responsible for developing and reviewing the policies and procedures governing Auburn University. Subject to relevant federal and state law, the Board of Trustees holds the final authority to make and revise the overarching policies and procedures of Auburn University as the public body entrusted with the management and control of Auburn University under Section 266(a) of the Constitution of Alabama.

To effectively and efficiently govern Auburn University, the Board of Trustees adopts this Governance and Authority Policy (the "Governance and Authority Policy") with respect to all policies and procedures of Auburn University:

1. The ultimate governing policies of Auburn University are found in the current Bylaws, Policies and Procedures (as defined in Section 2.02 of the Bylaws), resolutions, minutes, and similar written policy pronouncements of the Board of Trustees (collectively, "Board Policies"). The Board of Trustees holds the exclusive authority to create, revise, and decide Board Policies consistent with its Governing Documents (as defined in Section 1.05 of the Bylaws of the Board of Trustees, including, without limitation, the Auburn Creed) and relevant federal and state law. The Board of Trustees may, in its sole and absolute discretion, consider recommendations and advice regarding Board Policies from the Auburn University President and subordinate university units.
2. In adopting this Governance and Authority Policy, the Board of Trustees recognizes the clear and appropriate distinction between the responsibility of the Board of Trustees to make, review, and revise Board Policies and the responsibility of university administration to administer and implement Board Policies, and, except as otherwise set forth in this Governance and Authority Policy, hereby explicitly withdraws all earlier delegations of its policymaking authority.
3. The Board of Trustees authorizes the Auburn University President to issue new administrative policies and/or modify existing administrative policies, including in each case the processes and procedures related thereto, in strict conformity with all superseding Board Policies (1) concerning significant institutional matters applicable to all or a large portion of Auburn University and its colleges, departments, administrative units, or similar components, and (2) consistent with applicable law, state or federal guidance, requirements of governing or accrediting bodies, etc. (collectively, the "Administrative Policies"). Administrative Policies shall include but are not limited to all policies governing general terms and expectations of employment, ethical conduct, conflicts of interest, professionalism, use of university resources, and compliance obligations for all Auburn University personnel including such policies reflected in employee and faculty handbooks. Administrative Policies shall be issued and/or modified by the President under the express delegated authority of the Board of Trustees. The President also is authorized to approve (or delegate the authority to approve) procedures for the administration of Board Policies and Administrative Policies.
4. All other subordinate college, department, division, and unit-level policies or policy collections, manuals, or handbooks and the processes and procedures related thereto (collectively, the "Subordinate Policies") must strictly conform with superseding Board Policies and Administrative Policies as determined by the General Counsel of Auburn University. The Board of Trustees retains the right to review, approve, and modify all Administrative or Subordinate policies and related procedures governing faculty appointment, promotion, tenure, and dismissal in accordance with the applicable Board Policies and Governing Documents of Auburn University.

5. In the interest of resolving conflicts and inconsistencies between Board Policies, Administrative Policies, and Subordinate Policies (collectively, the “University Policies”), the Board of Trustees clarifies the following policy hierarchy:
 - a. Federal and state constitutions, statutes, regulations, rules, or any other applicable law;
 - b. Board Policies;
 - c. Administrative Policies; and
 - d. Subordinate Policies.
6. Under this Governance and Authority Policy, any portion of any prior Administrative Policies or Subordinate Policies that conflicts with Board Policies, including any portion of an Administrative or Subordinate Policy that conflicts with this Governance and Authority Policy, is immediately revoked and superseded by the applicable policy or principle found in Board Policies or this Governance and Authority Policy. For purposes of determining whether any portion of any Administrative Policies or Subordinate Policies conflicts with Board Policy, the provisions of Board Policies shall be construed as a whole and harmonized to give effect to all terms where reasonably possible, and any determinations of conflict shall be made in light of the framework of all Board Policies. References to Board Policies in this Governance and Authority Policy are to those Board Policies as amended from time to time.
7. The Auburn University General Counsel must ensure that (a) all Administrative Policies and Subordinate Policies strictly conform with superseding Board Policies, and (b) all policy websites, repositories, and other collections of policies, such as policy databases and handbooks, include a prominent statement alerting users that in the event of any conflict or inconsistency between Board Policies and statements contained on or in the relevant website or handbook, Board Policies control and supersede the conflicting policy in accordance with this Governance and Authority Policy.
8. The Board of Trustees shall review all Board Policies and Administrative Policies, including any portion or component thereof and related procedures, on at least a quinquennial basis. The Board of Trustees may review any University Policy on a more frequent basis when and as it deems necessary in its sole discretion.
9. The Governance and Authority Policy shall apply to all current University Policies, whether adopted or compiled prior to or after the effective date of this Governance and Authority Policy.

Adopted: February 13, 2026

EXHIBIT 2

AUBURN UNIVERSITY CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICS

(attached)

AUBURN UNIVERSITY CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICS

*Adopted by the Board of Trustees
on February 13, 2026*



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**AUBURN UNIVERSITY
AT MONTGOMERY**



AUBURN
Alabama Agricultural
Experiment Station





THE AUBURN CREED



AUBURN



I believe that this is a practical world and that I can count only on what I earn. Therefore, I believe in work, hard work.

I believe in education, which gives me the knowledge to work wisely and trains my mind and my hands to work skillfully.

I believe in honesty and truthfulness, without which I cannot win the respect and confidence of my fellow men.

I believe in a sound mind, in a sound body and a spirit that is not afraid, and in clean sports that develop these qualities.

I believe in obedience to law because it protects the rights of all.

I believe in the human touch, which cultivates sympathy with my fellow men and mutual helpfulness and brings happiness for all.

I believe in my Country, because it is a land of freedom and because it is my own home, and that I can best serve that country by "doing justly, loving mercy, and walking humbly with my God."

And because Auburn men and women believe in these things, I believe in Auburn and love it.

-George Petrie (1943)

The Auburn Creed describes the Auburn Spirit and qualities that make Auburn University unique. It is from the Auburn Creed that AU's Code of Conduct & Ethics emanates. From the Code flow University policies and procedures which direct the daily actions and behaviors expected of all Auburn Personnel.

WHO WE ARE



AUBURN



Auburn University (AU), Auburn University at Montgomery (AUM), the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES), and the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station (AAES) (collectively, “the University” or “Auburn”) recognize the importance of operating with the highest ethical and professional standards of conduct. Promulgated by the Auburn Board of Trustees, this Auburn University Code of Conduct and Ethics (“Code”) formalizes Auburn’s values and expectations for the faculty, staff, administrative personnel, professionals, and contractors of the University (collectively referred to as “Auburn Personnel”). The Auburn Board of Trustees is subject to the Board of Trustees Code of Ethics.

The principles of ethical behavior outlined in the Code articulate basic expectations

that guide our everyday work and interactions. The University understands these expectations require a shared commitment to ethical conduct in all University activities. Auburn Personnel are expected to demonstrate ethical, legal, and professional behavior in teaching, research, public service, and business practices.

Auburn Personnel must promote a positive and ethical work environment at Auburn. Our shared values of Integrity, Respect, and Excellence emanate from the Auburn Creed and are demonstrated each day through our actions, decisions, and behaviors. The Code provides guidance, answers, and contacts for addressing ethical concerns.

OUR VALUES

The background of the page features a large, semi-transparent image of a brick clock tower. The tower has a prominent clock face and a weather vane on top. To the right, there are blurred autumn leaves in shades of orange and red. The overall aesthetic is warm and institutional.

INTEGRITY

We will pursue our work with honesty, professionalism, and ethics that foster trust and accountability.

RESPECT

We will honor the rights and dignity of others and work each day to create an environment where people are welcomed, valued, respected, and engaged.

EXCELLENCE

We will pursue our work with distinction, diligence, and an unwavering commitment to advancing Auburn's mission.

EMBRACING THE CODE



OUR ROLE

AUBURN



The Code is our guide to making wise choices and doing the right thing. We encourage everyone to speak up and raise concerns to their supervisors, the Office of Audit, Compliance & Privacy, or our anonymous reporting hotline about potential violations of law or policy. Importantly, we do not tolerate retaliation against those who do speak up.

Everyone must do their part to maintain a culture of compliance and ethics. All Auburn Personnel are expected to adhere to the ethical standards expressed in the Code. We must conduct ourselves in a

responsible manner consistent with the Code and University policies to meet our regulatory and compliance obligations. We must do what is right, individually and collectively.

The University's rules concerning employee conduct and job performance are simple, common-sense guidelines applicable to all Auburn Personnel. University policies and procedures must be consistent with the Code. All Auburn Personnel shall be held to the same standards of conduct.

INTEGRITY

We Exhibit Ethical and Honest Behavior: The University relies upon all Auburn Personnel to conduct themselves ethically, honestly, and with integrity in all dealings. Such conduct requires applying the principles of fairness, good faith, and respect in our decisions and actions. We each take responsibility for our actions and perform our delegated responsibilities using sound judgment. We carry out our duties in compliance with the Code.

We Comply with Applicable Laws, Regulations, and University Policies: We are aware of applicable laws, regulations, and policies. We acknowledge the importance of these rules and follow them in both their letter and spirit. We understand that University policies exist to facilitate awareness and compliance with laws and regulations and set the minimum standard for our expectations.

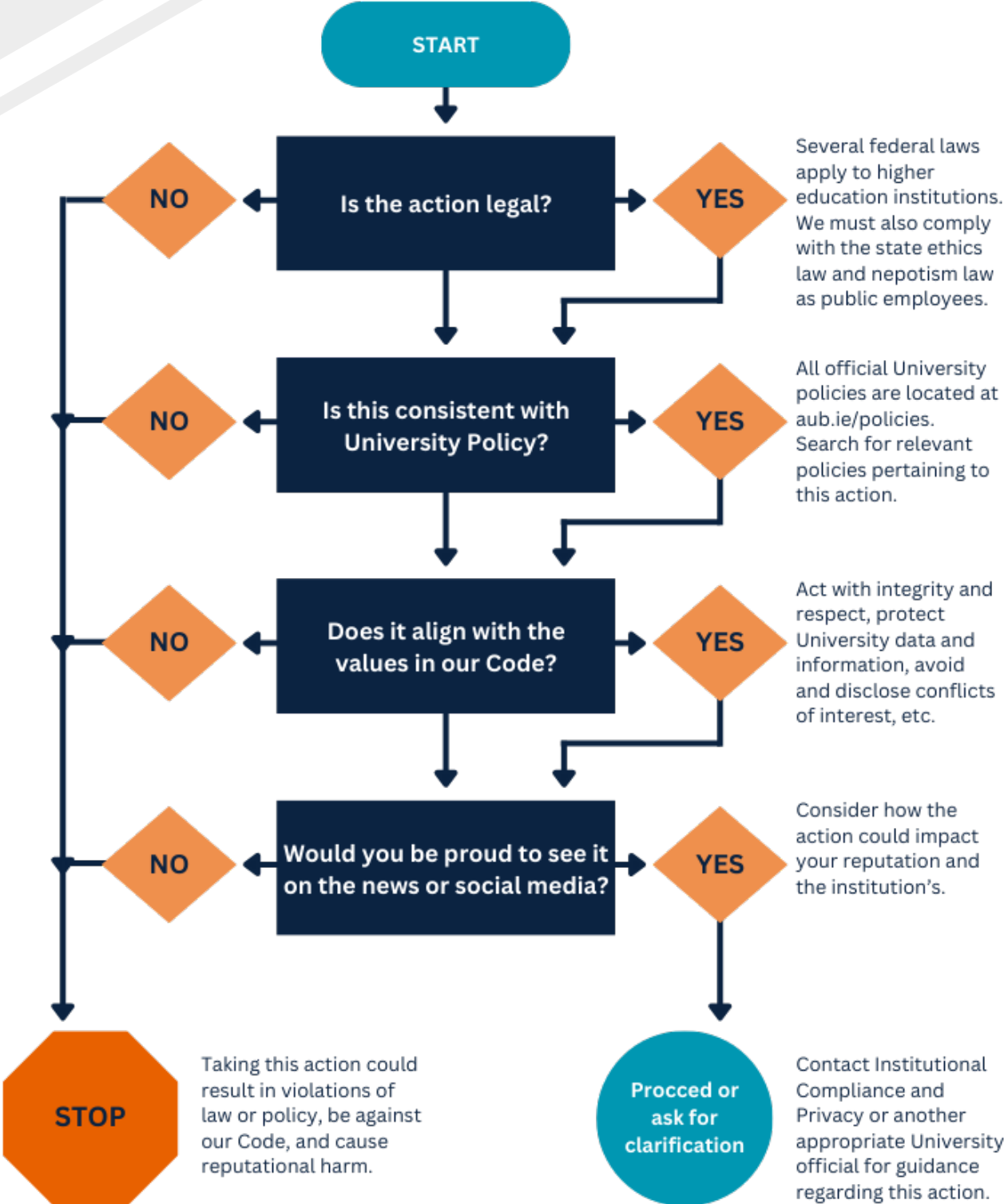
We Act with Integrity: Auburn Personnel are expected to display the highest standards of honesty and integrity in teaching, research, scholarship, outreach, service, and business. We are responsible stewards of University property and resources and do not engage in fraudulent activities involving plagiarism, misrepresentation, deception, or falsification of information, records, or data in our work. We speak candidly and truthfully and do not produce or perpetuate false information. It is our responsibility to all people that research be conducted in strict conformity with Auburn University standards, methodologies, and governmental and private research sponsor requirements.

We Preserve Data Security, Privacy & Confidentiality: Auburn Personnel often have access to, receive, or generate various types of confidential information. Laws, agreements with third parties, and University policies and guidelines govern the collection, storage, transmission, and destruction of confidential information. Individuals with access to confidential information have an obligation to protect and secure this data from unauthorized access and use. Additionally, we adhere to privacy best practices and record retention requirements.

We Avoid, Report, and Manage Conflicts of Interest: Auburn Personnel must carefully navigate situations that involve a potential conflict of interest or commitment with the University. Individuals are expected to faithfully carry out their professional duties in furtherance of the University's mission and to avoid conflicts between their personal interests and official responsibilities. We expect all Auburn Personnel to comply with University and other guidelines for reporting and reviewing actual and potential conflicts of interest and conflicts of commitment. When real or perceived conflicts arise, they must be recognized, disclosed, and eliminated or appropriately managed.

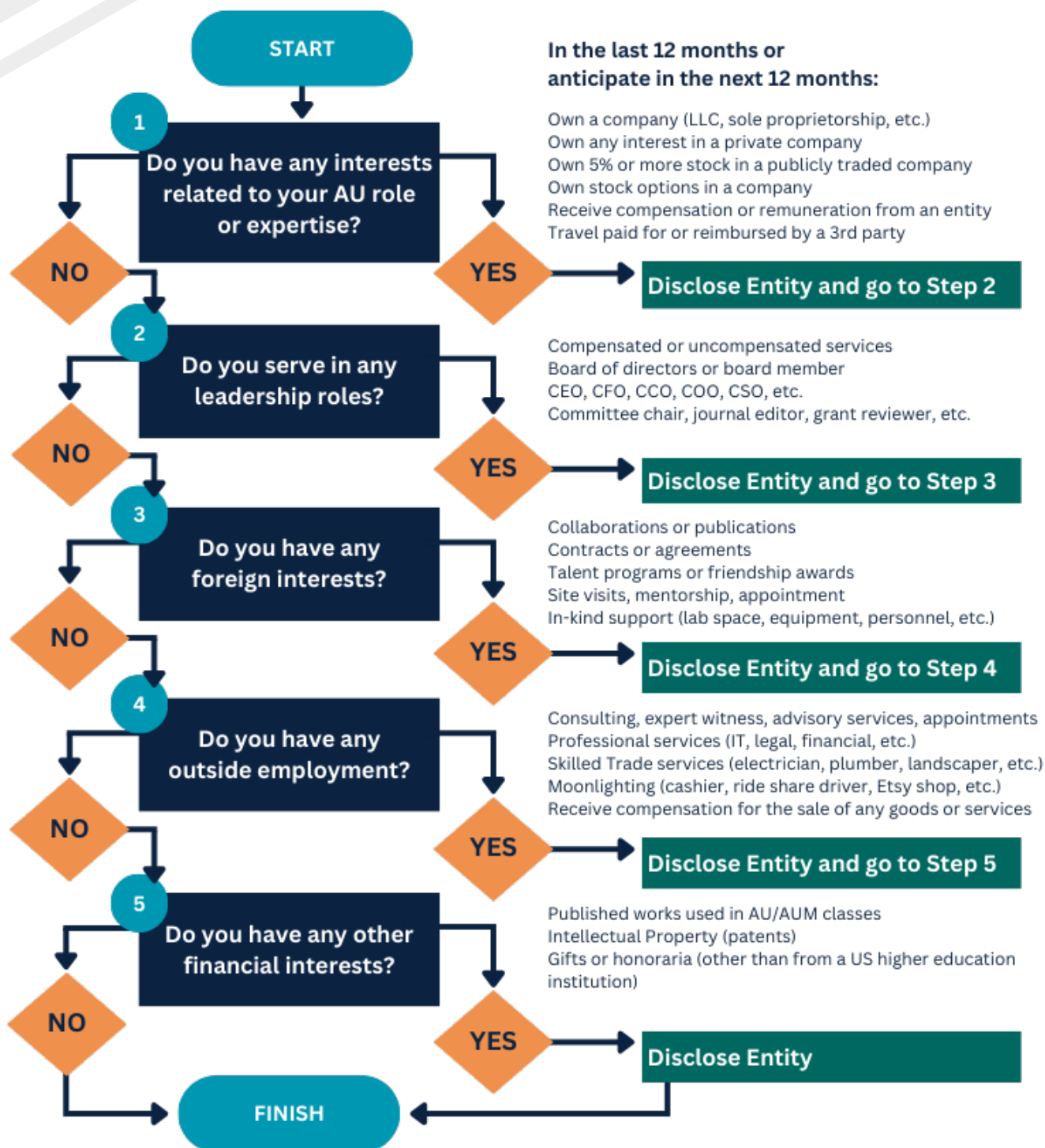
ETHICAL DECISION-MAKING

Consider using the following guide to help you decide if a particular action is appropriate.



CONFLICT OF INTEREST/ CONFLICT OF COMMITMENT

Consider your interests, activities or relationships with any entity external to the University (AU, AUM, ACES, AAES) to identify a conflict.



RESPECT

We Respect the Rights and Dignity of Others: We are committed to providing an environment in which every member of the Auburn community feels welcomed, valued, respected, and engaged. Our institution prohibits harassment, threats, violence, and discrimination. We prohibit retaliation against personnel who file complaints in good faith regarding discrimination or misconduct. Simply, we treat others how we would want to be treated.

We are committed to Equal Opportunities for All: We understand and value the importance of a welcoming community and providing equal opportunities for all. The University environment fosters rigorous, constructive, truth-seeking discussions about questions of consequence. In that regard, Auburn Personnel are expected to treat one another with the kind of courtesy and respect that allows Auburn community members to learn from one another, despite differences in viewpoint or background.

EXCELLENCE

We Represent the Auburn Brand: We recognize the strong value of the Auburn brand and strive to maintain an excellent reputation in the state, region, and country. To continue to attract high-caliber students, employees, and partners, we exhibit professional communications and protect our marks.

We Report Concerns and Cooperate to Resolve Issues: We support a “speak-up” culture. Auburn Personnel employees should report suspected policy violations and other concerns at the earliest possible opportunity to their supervisor, the Office of Audit, Compliance & Privacy, or the Office of the General Counsel. Auburn Personnel are protected from retaliatory actions should they report in good faith. Auburn employees and students wishing to remain anonymous may report their concerns via the anonymous Ethics Line reporting system available online at aub.ie/ReportIt. We encourage all members of the Auburn community to report suspected incidents of misconduct, fraud, abuse, hazing, violations of law or other wrongdoing through Ethics Line, or online or in-person using the tools available through Student Affairs or through the Office of Audit, Compliance & Privacy. Each member of the University is expected to cooperate fully and honestly with any investigation undertaken to reach a fair and complete resolution. If you encounter an active emergency or someone’s health, safety, or property is currently in danger, you should immediately call 911 or make a report in person at the nearest police precinct.

We Take Responsibility for Our Actions: We understand that each of us must perform our duties effectively for the success of the University. Each person has an important role to play to ensure we fulfill our mission. We take responsibility for our actions and know that our daily decisions, actions, and behaviors are a reflection of the University. We hold ourselves and each other to consistent expectations of exceptional performance and conduct that advances the University’s mission while fostering a culture of collegiality, curiosity, and growth.

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The Code, together with the Auburn Creed, serves as a foundational policy from which all other University policies emanate. The Code is a resource synergizing the University's policies and procedures so that they are accessible and easy to understand.

The ethical standards set forth in the Code complement current and future University policies, which guide our daily activities to prevent legal and regulatory violations.

The Code should be utilized to promote and reinforce the University's culture of compliance and ethics, foster loyalty and retention, and build stronger relationships with students, collaborators, and business partners.

If you have questions or concerns about the Code, or about possible illegal or unethical behavior, or noncompliance with University policy, you should speak with your supervisor, another University leader, the Office of Audit, Compliance & Privacy, or utilize the confidential reporting hotline, Ethics Line at aub.ie/ReportIt (or other appropriate offices). Together, we make Auburn University a place where everyone is respected, takes responsibility for their actions, and trusts one another to do the right thing.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

POSTHUMOUS AWARDING OF THE BACHELOR OF CIVIL ENGINEERING TO
JACOB DOUGLAS HURST

WHEREAS, Jacob Douglas Hurst, an undergraduate student in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering in the Samuel Ginn College of Engineering at Auburn University, passed away in December 2025; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hurst passed away before he could complete the final requirements necessary for a Bachelor of Civil Engineering and a minor in materials engineering; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hurst was an exceptional student who demonstrated leadership throughout the college through his participation in the Cooperative Education Program, his service as an Internship Ambassador for the College of Engineering, and his commitment to supporting fellow students as an undergraduate teaching assistant, tutor, and peer coach; and

WHEREAS, the faculty in the Department of Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, the Dean of the Samuel Ginn College of Engineering, the Director of the Honors College, the Provost, and the President unanimously recommend that the Bachelor of Civil Engineering be awarded posthumously with honors distinction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Auburn University Board of Trustees that the degree of Bachelor of Civil Engineering is hereby granted posthumously to Mr. Jacob Douglas Hurst in recognition of his academic achievements as a student at Auburn University.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby expresses its sympathy and condolences to the family of Mr. Hurst in this period of sadness and that a copy of this resolution be presented to them so that they will know of this action and the university's deep loss.

**PROPOSED MEETING DATES FOR 2026-2027
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Friday, September 11, 2026

Friday, November 20, 2026

Friday, February 5, 2027

Held on the Auburn University at Montgomery Campus

Friday, April 9, 2027

Friday, June 4, 2027

Annual Board Meeting

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING THE EAGLES INSTRUCTIONAL CLASSROOM
IN THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AS THE
DR. REGINE E. HAY INSTRUCTIONAL CLASSROOM**

February 13, 2026

WHEREAS, Dr. Regine E. Hay was born in Birmingham, Alabama and devoted her life to science and education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hay earned both a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science from Georgia State University and a Ph.D. from North Carolina State University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hay served as a dedicated science instructor at North Georgia Technical College and contributed to medical research at Emory University and Washington University, focusing on diseases of the eye; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hay was known for her sharp intellect, quick wit, and compassionate spirit, enriching the lives of students, colleagues, and loved ones; and

WHEREAS, This tribute is made possible through the generosity of her brother, Albert E. Hay III, who has chosen to support the EAGLES Program because it provides young people with the opportunity to succeed to the fullest extent of their abilities, ensuring that Dr. Hay's legacy continues to inspire future generations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the EAGLES Instructional Classroom be named the Dr. Regine E. Hay Instructional Classroom in loving memory of her lifelong dedication to education and her transformative impact on students, colleagues, and the field of science.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING AN INSTRUCTIONAL CLASSROOM
IN THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AS THE
HEDY WHITE MANRY INSTRUCTIONAL CLASSROOM

February 13, 2026

WHEREAS, Hedy White Manry graduated from Auburn University in 1971 with a bachelor's degree in liberal arts and earned a master's degree in education in 1973; and

WHEREAS, Hedy began a distinguished career with IBM in Birmingham, Alabama as a Sales Representative, ultimately serving 36 years in roles spanning sales, management, executive leadership, and project management across IBM Americas and IBM Global; and

WHEREAS, Hedy retired in 2010 as Vice President, Client Value Initiative, IBM Americas, having demonstrated exceptional leadership and commitment to excellence throughout her career; and

WHEREAS, Hedy has remained deeply connected to Auburn University, serving on the National Alumni Council for the College of Education and recognizing the lifelong impact of the skills and values gained at Auburn; and

WHEREAS, In 2004, Hedy and her husband, John, established the John P. and Hedy White Manry Endowed Fund for Excellence in the College of Education to support areas of need within the college, reflecting their shared belief in the 'Pursuit of Excellence'—a principle deeply rooted in both Auburn and IBM; and

WHEREAS, Hedy's generosity and dedication exemplify Auburn's mission to empower students, faculty, and alumni, and her contributions will strengthen the College of Education for generations to come;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that an Instructional Classroom in the College of Education be named The Hedy White Manry Instructional Classroom for her outstanding professional achievements, her unwavering support of the College of Education, and her enduring commitment to excellence. This naming serves as a lasting tribute to Hedy White Manry's legacy and her heartfelt declaration: "*This is Auburn and I love it!*"

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE QUIET STUDY
IN THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AS THE
SHIRLEY KARSTENS REYNOLDS QUIET STUDY

February 13, 2026

WHEREAS, Shirley Karstens and John Robert Reynolds began their lifelong commitment to each other—and to Auburn University—upon graduating in 1970, inspired by the belief that education has the power to improve lives and make the world better; and

WHEREAS, Their passion for learning was shaped by their family legacies: Shirley’s parents instilled a love of language and storytelling, while Robert’s family emphasized the value of education through lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, Shirley earned a B.S. in Secondary Education with highest honors from Auburn, served as a sorority officer, and was recognized by Phi Kappa Phi, Kappa Delta Pi, and Mortar Board. She later excelled as both a teacher and a federal employee, finding great joy in training and mentoring others; and

WHEREAS, Robert graduated in Industrial Engineering, served as President of Alpha Pi Mu, was inducted into ODK, and continues to be an engaged alumnus through the Engineering Eagle Society; and

WHEREAS, Together, Shirley and Robert have demonstrated enduring generosity as members of the Dean’s Circle and as founding supporters of the Layne Reynolds Endowed Scholarship in the College of Education; and

WHEREAS, Their shared Auburn experience began on the Plainsman staff, and their sponsorship of this study room reflects their hope that future students find strength, solitude, and inspiration to achieve their dreams;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Quiet Study space in the College of Education be named the Shirley Karstens Reynolds Quiet Study in recognition of Shirley Karstens and John Robert Reynolds lifelong devotion to education, distinguished achievements, and their lasting impact on generations to come.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING A SEMINAR ROOM
IN THE STEM + AG SCIENCES COMPLEX AS THE
ROGER & SHERRY COX SEMINAR ROOM**

February 13, 2026

WHEREAS, Roger H. Cox, Class of 1970, is a proud graduate of the College of Sciences and Mathematics at Auburn University; and

WHEREAS, Sherry Cox is a devoted member of the Auburn Family; and

WHEREAS, Roger and Sherry have exemplified the Auburn Creed through their enduring commitment to Auburn University and the College of Sciences and Mathematics, notably through their longstanding service on the Dean's Leadership Council; and

WHEREAS, Roger and Sherry deeply value education and have cherished the Auburn experience not only for themselves but also for their son, Darryl Cox, Class of 1998; and

WHEREAS, Roger and Sherry Cox have made a generous gift to name a Seminar Room within the STEM+Ag Complex to support the Department of Mathematics and Statistics and inspire continued academic excellence;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a seminar room in the STEM + AG Complex be named the Roger & Sherry Cox Seminar Room in recognition Roger and Sherry Cox's generous support of the College of Sciences and Mathematics and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING A FACULTY OFFICE
IN THE STEM + AG COMPLEX AS THE
WENDY & DR. EDWARD E. THOMAS, JR. FACULTY OFFICE**

February 13, 2026

WHEREAS, Dr. Edward E. Thomas, Jr, is a proud graduate, professor of physics, and dean of the College of Sciences and Mathematics at Auburn University; and

WHEREAS, Wendy Smith Thomas is a devoted member of the Auburn Family; and

WHEREAS, Edward and Wendy have exemplified the Auburn Creed through their enduring commitment to Auburn University and the College of Sciences and Mathematics; and

WHEREAS, Edward and Wendy have championed the importance of education and have shared the Auburn experience with their family and community; and

WHEREAS, Edward and Wendy Thomas made a generous gift to name a Faculty Office in the STEM+Ag Complex to support the Department of Mathematics and Statistics and inspire continued academic excellence; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a faculty office in the STEM + AG Complex be named the Wendy & Dr. Edward E. Thomas, Jr. Faculty Office in recognition of their extraordinary generosity, leadership, and dedication to the College of Sciences and Mathematics and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING A LOCKER IN THE MEN'S BASKETBALL LOCKER ROOM
IN NEVILLE ARENA AS THE
BOB BROADWAY '91,'93 LOCKER**

February 13, 2026

WHEREAS, Robert "Bob" Broadway is a distinguished alumnus and long-time supporter of Auburn University and Auburn Athletics, known for his philanthropic leadership and commitment to enhancing the student-athlete experience; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broadway has demonstrated a deep and enduring dedication to Auburn through generous gifts and service, including support for facilities that promote excellence in athletic performance as well as student well-being; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broadway's gift to Auburn Athletics will support the mission of Auburn Basketball through philanthropic giving; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broadway's gift represents a significant investment in the future of Auburn Athletics and the holistic development of its student-athletes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a locker in the men's basketball locker room in Neville Arena be named the Bob Broadway '91, '93 Locker in recognition of Bob Broadway's generous support and enduring commitment to Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING A LOCKER IN THE MEN'S BASKETBALL LOCKER ROOM
IN NEVILLE ARENA AS THE
ASHLEY JORDAN '05 LOCKER**

February 13, 2026

WHEREAS, Robert "Bob" Broadway is a distinguished alumnus and long-time supporter of Auburn University and Auburn Athletics, known for his philanthropic leadership and commitment to enhancing the student-athlete experience; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broadway has demonstrated a deep and enduring dedication to Auburn through generous gifts and service, including support for facilities that promote excellence in athletic performance as well as student well-being; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broadway's gift to Auburn Athletics will support the mission of Auburn Basketball through philanthropic giving; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broadway's gift represents a significant investment in the future of Auburn Athletics and the holistic development of its student-athletes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a locker in the men's basketball locker room in Neville Arena be named the Ashley Jordan '05 Locker in recognition of Bob Broadway's generous support and enduring commitment to Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING A LOCKER IN THE MEN'S BASKETBALL LOCKER ROOM
IN NEVILLE ARENA AS THE
L. NICK DAVIS '84 LOCKER**

February 13, 2026

WHEREAS, Robert "Bob" Broadway is a distinguished alumnus and long-time supporter of Auburn University and Auburn Athletics, known for his philanthropic leadership and commitment to enhancing the student-athlete experience; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broadway has demonstrated a deep and enduring dedication to Auburn through generous gifts and service, including support for facilities that promote excellence in athletic performance as well as student well-being; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broadway's gift to Auburn Athletics will support the mission of Auburn Basketball through philanthropic giving; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broadway's gift represents a significant investment in the future of Auburn Athletics and the holistic development of its student-athletes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a locker in the men's basketball locker room in Neville Arena be named the L. Nick Davis '84 Locker in recognition of Bob Broadway's generous support and enduring commitment to Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING A LOCKER IN THE MEN'S BASKETBALL LOCKER ROOM
IN NEVILLE ARENA AS THE
SERGIO MARENTES LOCKER**

February 13, 2026

WHEREAS, Robert "Bob" Broadway is a distinguished alumnus and long-time supporter of Auburn University and Auburn Athletics, known for his philanthropic leadership and commitment to enhancing the student-athlete experience; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broadway has demonstrated a deep and enduring dedication to Auburn through generous gifts and service, including support for facilities that promote excellence in athletic performance as well as student well-being; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broadway's gift to Auburn Athletics will support the mission of Auburn Basketball through philanthropic giving; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Broadway's gift represents a significant investment in the future of Auburn Athletics and the holistic development of its student-athletes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a locker in the men's basketball locker room in Neville Arena be named the Sergio Marentes Locker in recognition of Bob Broadway's generous support and enduring commitment to Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING TWO STALLS IN THE WILLIAMS FAMILY BARN
AT THE AUBURN EQUESTRIAN CENTER AS THE
ALLEN IV AND LOWER BALDWIN COMPANY, LLC**

February 13, 2026

WHEREAS, Chad Allen is a long-time supporter of Auburn University and Auburn Athletics, known for his philanthropic leadership and commitment to enhancing the student-athlete experience; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Allen has demonstrated a deep and enduring dedication to Auburn through generous gifts and service, including support for facilities that promote excellence in athletic performance as well as student well-being; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Allen's gift to Auburn Athletics will support the mission of the Auburn Equestrian program through philanthropic giving; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Allen's gift represents a significant investment in the future of Auburn Athletics and the holistic development of its student-athletes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that two stalls in the Williams Family Barn at Auburn Equestrian Center be named the Allen IV and Lower Baldwin Company, LLC in recognition of their generous support and enduring commitment to Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE STUDENT ATHLETE LOUNGE
AT THE JACK KEY TEACHING FACILITY AS THE
KIM EVANS STUDENT ATHLETE LOUNGE

February 13, 2026

WHEREAS, Kim Evans served as head coach of Auburn Women's Golf for 21 seasons, guiding the program to remarkable success with eight SEC Championship titles, twenty consecutive NCAA regional appearances, and Auburn's first-ever No. 1 national ranking in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her tenure, Coach Evans shaped the lives of seven SEC Golfers of the Year and countless other student-athletes, leaving a legacy through her leadership, mentorship, and unwavering commitment to excellence; and

WHEREAS, Coach Evans is recognized not only for her remarkable coaching achievements, but also for her unwavering commitment to Auburn Athletics and her generous support of programs that enrich the student-athlete experience. Her influence extends far beyond competition, reflecting a deep dedication to the growth, well-being, and success of every student she has served; and

WHEREAS, Through her dedication and philanthropy, Coach Evans has made a lasting impact on the growth and excellence of Auburn Women's Golf and Auburn Athletics as a whole. Her commitment continues to strengthen the programs, opportunities, and experiences that shape generations of student-athletes; and

WHEREAS, Auburn Athletics seeks to honor Coach Evans for her extraordinary contributions and the lasting impact she has made on the Auburn Family. Her legacy of leadership, generosity, and unwavering dedication continues to strengthen the programs and individuals whose lives and opportunities have been shaped by her commitment to excellence;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the student athlete lounge at the Jack Key Teaching Facility be named the Kim Evans Student Athlete Lounge in recognition of her remarkable career, generosity, and enduring commitment to Auburn Athletics and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE VETERINARY EDUCATION CENTER IN THE COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE AS THE TIMOTHY R. BOOSINGER VETERINARY EDUCATION CENTER

February 13, 2026

WHEREAS, Auburn University and the College of Veterinary Medicine seek to honor the life and legacy of Dr. Timothy R. Boosinger, whose thirty-five years of exemplary service profoundly advanced Auburn University's mission, leadership culture, and academic excellence; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Boosinger and his wife, Marcia Boosinger, demonstrated extraordinary commitment to Auburn University through philanthropic support; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Boosinger earned the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree and the PhD in Veterinary Pathology from Purdue University, served twenty years in the United States Air Force, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel, and achieved status as a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Pathologists; and

WHEREAS, as Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine from 1995 to 2011, Dr. Boosinger led a period of transformational growth, including more than \$120 million in capital improvements, restoration of full accreditation, increased enrollment, expanded research funding, enhanced shared governance, and development of nationally recognized programs such as the Canine Performance Sciences Program, the Equine Plasma Research Program, and leadership of the Southeastern Raptor Center, as well as the creation of Auburn's iconic pre game eagle flight; and

WHEREAS, as Provost of Auburn University, Dr. Boosinger provided visionary institutional leadership by advancing strategic planning, increasing student success and graduation rates, expanding international engagement, strengthening interdisciplinary faculty hiring, growing online and distance education, supporting more than \$220 million in academic construction priorities, contributing to successful institutional accreditation reaffirmation, and helping establish campaign priorities that supported Auburn University's historic fundraising success;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Veterinary Education Center is hereby named the Timothy R. Boosinger Veterinary Education Center. This designation honors the extraordinary leadership, service, and generosity of Tim and Marcia Boosinger and recognizes Dr. Boosinger's enduring contributions to student success, faculty excellence, and academic distinction at Auburn University. His legacy will continue to inspire the Auburn family for generations to come.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING THE BASEBALL HITTING FACILITY AT THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY AT MONTGOMERY BASEBALL COMPLEX
AS THE JOHNSON BROTHERS HITTING FACILITY**

February 13, 2026

WHEREAS, Brothers Derek Johnson and Keith Johnson both played baseball at Auburn University at Montgomery (AUM); and

WHEREAS, Derek Johnson was a member of the AUM baseball team from 1993 to 1994 and earned a Bachelor of Science in Finance in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Keith Johnson was a member of the AUM baseball team from 1999 to 2001 and earned a Bachelor of Science in Finance in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Derek Johnson has dedicated many years to coaching in the AUM Dixie Youth League, adjacent to campus and the hitting facility, where he has taught the game of baseball to hundreds of children and led one group to a World Series Title in 2023; and


WHEREAS, Keith Johnson has been a generous supporter of AUM Athletics through his contributions to the Student-Athlete Performance Center and the AUM Baseball program; and

WHEREAS, Derek and Keith Johnson have made meaningful contributions in support of the Auburn University at Montgomery Baseball program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the hitting facility at the Auburn University at Montgomery Baseball Complex be named the Johnson Brothers Hitting Facility in recognition of their generous support and legacy as baseball student-athletes at Auburn University at Montgomery.

President *Pro Tempore* Sanford then indicated that with there being no further items for review, the meeting was recessed at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon G. Waggoner", written over a horizontal line.

Jon G. Waggoner
Secretary to the Board of Trustees