



Quarterly Board Meeting

October 7, 2021
Roaden University Center, Room 282
1:30 p.m.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Recognition of Students
- III. Approval of Minutes of June 24, 2021
- IV. Approval of Minutes of August 24, 2021
- V. President's Report
- VI. Certification of President's Responsibilities Related to Athletics
- VII. Executive Committee
 - A. Recommendation:
President's Compensation
 - B. Report:
Comprehensive Review
- VIII. Audit & Business Committee Recommendations
 - A. Disclosed Project FY2021-22
 - B. Approval of Capital Budget FY2022-23 Outlay Revision
 - C. Edmonds Estate Quasi-Endowment
 - D. Tenure Upon Appointment Recommendation
- IX. Board Secretary Report

X. Board of Trustees' meeting dates:

Next Meetings 2021:

November 9, 2021 (Virtual Information Session)

December 2, 2021

Calendar Year 2022:

March 10

June 23

October 6

December 1

XI. Other Business

XII. Adjournment



Agenda Item Summary

Date: October 7, 2021

Agenda Item: Spotlight on Students

Review

Action

No action required

PRESENTERS: Chair Harper

PURPOSE & KEY POINTS: Six National Merit Finalists will introduce themselves and share their reasons on choosing Tennessee Tech. Chair Harper will present each with a certificate.

Amanda Bacon

Abby Fox

William Joyner

Charles Hasting

Anna Buchanan

Mathias Hagedwood



Board of Trustees Meeting
June 24, 2021
Roaden University Center, Room 282

MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Tennessee Tech Board of Trustees met on June 24, 2021, in Roaden University Center, Room 282. Chair Harper called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

Chair Harper asked Lee Wray, Secretary, to call the roll. The following members were present:

- Trudy Harper
- Daniel Hines
- Tom Jones
- Fred Lowery
- Thomas Lynn
- Sally Pardue
- Rhedona Rose
- Johnny Stites
- Teresa Vanhooser
- Barry Wilmore

A quorum was present at the meeting.

Chair Harper stated this meeting was being streamed live on the internet and the public was given notice.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS

Michelle Huddleston, assistant director of the Service Learning Center, spoke about service learning and community engagement. She was joined by students Marcus McMeans and Baylee Dalton. They shared about their experiences thus far with serving others through the program.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – RECOGNITION OF RETIRING FACULTY

Chair Harper recognized faculty member Dr. Wayne Leimer, Professor of Earth Sciences, upon his retirement. He taught at the university for 50 years and was presented with a service pin. Dr. Leimer shared memories of his time at the university.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tom Jones moved to approve the minutes collectively from March 11, 2021 and April 13, 2021. Mr. Lowery seconded the motion. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – PRESIDENT’S REPORT

President Oldham shared that in-person classes will be at full capacity this fall. Events will also return. He stated the enrollment goal, as supported by the strategic plan, is 20,000 students by the year 2025. Dr. Oldham recognized the Office of Communications and Marketing upon winning several awards from the Tennessee College of Public Relations Association this year. Future marketing will identify Tech as Tennessee’s college town and highlight Tech’s synergy with the community. It will also continue to emphasize that students are first.

He provided an update on capital projects that included the new engineering building, the J.J. Oakley Innovation Center and Residence Hall, the internal street grid, and Walton Park. Over nine million dollars has been raised toward the construction of the engineering building. The total fundraising amount of private dollars for the university this year was more than 22 million. Sponsored research set records this year at 22.8 million dollars raised.

President Oldham shared academic updates that included the Cyber Security Center, an introduction of the new vice president of student affairs Dr. Cynthia-Pope Johnson, the opening of Launch Pad advisement for students, a new fee restructuring plan for students and their families, and salary increases for faculty and staff. He also shared about the implementation of a new course in the college of interdisciplinary studies titled Major and Career Exploration, and new degree programs that include a master’s in human ecology, a master’s in engineering management, a doctorate in counseling, and a doctorate in higher education administration. Rural Reimagined and the Grand Challenge have shown success through the creation of more than eighty projects and the submission of over four and a half million dollars’ worth of rural-themed grant proposals.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – ELECTION OF STUDENT TRUSTEE

Chair Harper stated that the 2016 Focus Act required the Board to select a student as a non-voting member and the Tennessee Tech Student Government Association developed a process for selecting candidates to present to the Board for consideration. She stated that the

candidates selected by the SGA were Faith Judkins, Megan Wharton, and Hannah Willis. Each candidate answered a questionnaire and submitted a video to the board prior to the meeting.

Tom Jones nominated Faith Judkins to serve as the student trustee for fiscal year 2021-2022. Barry Wilmore nominated Hannah Willis to serve as the student trustee for fiscal year 2021-2022. With an opportunity for further discussion, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. Candidate Judkins received three ayes and candidate Willis received five ayes. Chair Harper abstained from the vote. The election of candidate Willis carried. Ms. Willis joined the trustees at the table.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda included the Emeritus President contract, TTU Policy 131 (Preventing and Reporting Fraud, Waste or Abuse), Tenure Recommendations, TTU Policy 242 (International Undergraduate Admissions), and TTU Policy 244 (International Undergraduate Student Readmissions). Teresa Vanhooser moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Prior to beginning the committee reports section of the agenda, Chair Harper explained that committee chairs will not share informational items during future board meetings since the committee meetings are now streamed to the public. Only actionable items will be made available during future full board meetings.

Chair Harper shared that during the executive committee meeting the following items were presented and were included here as informational items 1) the appointment and introduction of the vice president for student affairs, Dr. Cynthia Polk-Johnson, 2) committee structure, and 3) the President's performance review for year-end June 30, 2021, overseen by Teresa Vanhooser.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Ms. Vanhooser nominated Trudy Harper to serve as Chair during the upcoming term. Upon the committee's recommendation, Tom Jones moved to approve Trudy Harper as Chair of the board for the term of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023. No second to the motion was required. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. Chair Harper abstained from the vote. The motion carried with eight ayes.

Upon the committee's recommendation, Tom Jones moved to approve Teresa Vanhooser as Vice Chair of the board for the term of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023. No second to the motion was required. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. Teresa Vanhooser abstained from the vote. The motion carried with eight ayes.

TTU Policy 005 (Board Committees) requires the Board to elect one voting member of the Executive Committee. Upon the committee's recommendation, Teresa Vanhooser moved to approve Tom Jones as an additional member of the Executive Committee for the term of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023. No second to the motion was required. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. Tom Jones abstained from the vote. The motion carried with eight ayes.

State audit guidelines and TTU Policy 005 (Board Committees) require the Board elect members and the chair of the Audit Committee. Upon the committee's recommendation, Teresa Vanhooser moved to approve Johnny Stites as Audit Committee Chair and Fred Lowery and Thomas Lynn as Audit Committee members for the term of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023. No second to the motion was required. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

TTU Policy 005 (Board Committees) allows the Board Chair to appoint members and chairs of the standing committees. Chair Harper appointed Rhedona Rose as the Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee for the term of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023. Barry Wilmore, Dan Allcott, and Hannah Willis were appointed committee members.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – ACADEMIC & STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT

Rhedona Rose shared that during the committee meeting the following items were presented and were included here as informational items 1) academic and programs update and THEC program inventory, 2) letter of notification for a Ph.D. in Higher Education approved for submission to THEC, 3) diversity initiative and diversity scholarship update, 4) athletics update, and 5) enrollment projections.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – AUDIT & BUSINESS COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Johnny Stites shared that during the committee meeting the following items were presented and were included here as informational items 1) twenty-six faculty member promotions, and 2) review of audit committee charter every four years.

Mr. Stites moved to approve the fiscal year 2020-21 estimated budget and the fiscal year 2021-22 proposed budget. No second to the motion was required. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Stites moved to approve the fiscal year 2021-22 disclosed project for Hooper Eblen Center restroom upgrades and New Hall South HVAC upgrades. No second to the motion was required. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Stites moved to approve the fiscal year 2022-23 capital budget request. No second to the motion was required. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Stites moved to approve the recommended fiscal year 2021-22 maintenance and mandatory fees. No second to the motion was required. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Stites moved to approve the recommended non-mandatory specialized academic course fee structure. No second to the motion was required. Additional discussion was made regarding the due diligence of the board regarding projections for mandatory and non-mandatory fees. Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 11 – BOARD SECRETARY REPORT

Mr. Wray presented the new orientation manual made available for use by incoming and current trustees.

AGENDA ITEM 12 – OTHER BUSINESS – RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING TRUSTEES

Chair Harper and President Oldham recognized outgoing trustees Sally Pardue and Daniel Hines and presented plaques to them in their honor.

There was no other business.

AGENDA ITEM 13 – ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:03 p.m.

Approved,

Lee Wray, Board Secretary



Special Board of Trustees Meeting
August 24, 2021
Meeting via Teleconference and Streamed Live

MINUTES

AGENDA ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Tennessee Tech Board of Trustees met on August 24, 2021, via teleconference. Chair Harper called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Chair Harper stated this meeting was being streamed live on the internet and the public was given notice.

Chair Harper asked Lee Wray, Secretary, to call the roll. The following members were present:

- Dan Allcott
- Trudy Harper
- Tom Jones
- Fred Lowery
- Thomas Lynn
- Rhedona Rose
- Teresa Vanhooser
- Hannah Willis
- Barry Wilmore

A quorum was in attendance but not physically present.

All participating Trustees confirmed that they could simultaneously hear and speak to the Board members, that they received the Board materials in advance of the meeting, and all except Chair Harper confirmed that they were the only person present in the location from which they were calling. Chair Harper shared that Will Hoffert joined her in the conference room with Dr. Oldham.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – DETERMINATION OF NECESSITY

Chair Harper stated that a determination of necessity was required because a quorum was not physically present. She stated that the Board of Trustees meeting was required to consider the important and time-sensitive matter of considering a name for the new engineering building for which ground will be broken on September 10, 2021.

Tom Jones moved that a determination of necessity existed to allow Board members to participate by electronic means. Teresa Vanhooser seconded the motion. With an opportunity for further discussion and there being none, Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – NAMING OPPORTUNITY

Chair Harper read TTU Policy 537, Section D with respect to naming opportunities which states special consideration shall be give to a) the historical significance of the contribution of the individual or group to Tennessee Tech, b) individuals that signify an association with either the history of the university or the nation or with the advancement of knowledge and learning that will remain memorable long beyond the lifetime of those who propose the name, and c) any financial contribution of the individual or group to the institution as outlined in the Naming Guidelines of the Tennessee Technological University Foundation.

Dr. Oldham recognized nominee Ashraf Islam, a 1968 civil engineering alumnus of Tennessee Tech, and highlighted his education and career background. On behalf of the naming committee, Dr. Oldham recommended the new engineering building be named for Mr. Islam.

Tom Jones moved that the new engineering building be named the Ashraf Islam Engineering Building in honor of Tennessee Tech alumnus, Ashraf Islam, civil engineering, class of 1968. Fred Lowery seconded the motion. Additional discussion was made regarding industry standards for naming buildings on campus. Additional discussion was made regarding Mr. Islam's connection to Tennessee Tech. Mr. Wray called a roll call vote. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Harper and Lee Wray informed the Board that student life will be highlighted during the next full board meeting in October. The Trustees will tour the dorms and the cafeteria.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Approved,

Lee Wray, Board Secretary

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Agenda Item Summary

Date: October 7, 2021

Agenda Item: Certification of President's Responsibilities Related to Athletics

Review

Action

No action required

PRESENTERS: Chair Harper

PURPOSE & KEY POINTS: The Ohio Valley Conference requires the Chair of the Board to attest that the President is responsible for the administration of the athletics program, he has the support of the Board in operating a program of integrity, and he may vote on behalf of the institution on NCAA and OVC matters. The Chair's attestation must also be presented to the Board.



OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE

*Governing Board Certification Form
Academic Year 2021-22*

As Chairman of the Governing Board at Tennessee Tech, I attest that:

- 1) Responsibility for the administration of the athletics program has been delegated to the Chief Executive Officer of the institution.
- 2) The Chief Executive Officer has the mandate and support of the board to operate a program of integrity in full compliance with NCAA, OVC, and all other relevant rules and regulations.
- 3) The Chief Executive Officer, in conjunction with the Director of Athletics and Faculty Athletic Representative, determines how the institutional vote shall be cast on issues of athletics policy presented to the NCAA and the Ohio Valley Conference.

Date Presented to the Governing Board: 10-7-21

Signed: 
(Chair of the Governing Board)

Please return completed form to:

*Beth DeBauche
Commissioner
Ohio Valley Conference
215 Centerview Drive, Suite 115
Brentwood, TN 37027
bdebauche@ovc.org*



Agenda Item Summary

Date: October 7, 2021

Agenda Item: President's Compensation

Review

Action

No action required

PRESENTERS: Chair Harper

PURPOSE & KEY POINTS: Based on the President's evaluation and performance, the Executive Committee will make a recommendation to the Board on the President's compensation.



Agenda Item Summary

Date: October 7, 2021

Agenda Item: Comprehensive Review

Review

Action

No action required

PRESENTERS: Chair Harper

PURPOSE & KEY POINTS: Report of the Executive Committee's consideration of a comprehensive review of the President's performance.



Agenda Item Summary

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Date: October 7, 2021

Agenda Item: Disclosed Project FY2021-22

Review

Action

No action required

PRESENTERS: Dr. Claire Stinson, Vice President for Planning & Finance

PURPOSE & KEY POINTS: Review and approval for FY2021-22 Capital Budget amendment to include the Lewis Hall Transformer Replacement.

Disclosed Project FY2021-22

Lewis Hall Transformer Replacement

This project will replace the transformers and underground feeder cables that provide electric service to Lewis Hall. TTU facilities personnel will work with Cookeville Electric to install two new pad-mounted transformers and replace secondary feeders to Lewis Hall.

Cookeville Electric Department (CED) recommended replacement of transformers due to the age and condition of the transformers. Additionally, this project is being coordinated with the College of Engineering to upsize the transformers and secondary feeders to allow the College of Engineering to install some robots in Lewis Hall. Total cost for the project is estimated to be \$150,000.

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Agenda Item Summary

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Date: October 7, 2021

Agenda Item: Approval of Capital Budget FY2022-23 Outlay Revision

Review

Action

No action required

PRESENTERS: Dr. Claire Stinson, Vice President for Planning & Finance

PURPOSE & KEY POINTS: Review and approval of the FY2022-23 Capital Outlay. This request is for the construction of a 2nd Engineering building.

Capital Outlay (New Construction) FY2022-23

Advanced Construction and Manufacturing Engineering Building

This project is a proposed construction of a new 80,000 square foot building to house the equipment and labs necessary to provide engineering students with hands-on education in a modern building and roadway construction. The project includes advanced HVAC systems, modern steel construction and state-of-the-art concrete technologies. The proposed building will address workforce development needs in manufacturing, including automotive manufacturing, with modernized facilities for traditional manufacturing (including lathes, metal bending, robotics, PLC automation, thermoforming plastics, and casting of metals) and advanced manufacturing (including metal additive manufacturing, water jet cutting, and laser manufacturing). The proposed building will provide a modern home for the university's foundry – one of only four university foundries in the nation capable of pouring molten steel. The project also includes demolition of Lewis Hall and the Foundry.

Total estimated cost of both construction of the new building and demolition of Lewis Hall and the Foundry is \$62,400,000. The proposed project requires a match of \$4,992,000 (8% of total cost) of which one-third must be from gifts.

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Agenda Item Summary

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Date: October 7, 2021

Agenda Item: Edmonds Estate Quasi-Endowment

Review

Action

No action required

PRESENTERS: Dr. Claire Stinson, Vice President for Planning & Finance

PURPOSE & KEY POINTS: Tennessee Tech has been designated a beneficiary of the Estate of Clarence & Billie Edmonds. Mr. Edmonds did not specify a use for the funds in his estate documents. However, when the check for \$143,359.71 was received it was accompanied by a request by Mr. Edmonds' three children that the funds be used to establish a quasi-endowment in their late parents' names in the College of Business Accounting Department to "assist in deserving students in continuing their education at Tennessee Tech".

The Tennessee Tech University Foundation was established as the fundraising arm of the University and it is the practice of the University to route all gifts through the Foundation; however, the Edmonds Estate specifically names the University as the recipient of the funds. We are requesting the Board to designate gift as a quasi-endowment and transfer the gift to the Foundation for investment purposes only. The university will retain ownership of the funds. Tennessee Tech's Policy 521, Deposit and Investment Funds, allows for an endowment from private gifts to be invested in equity securities that are prudently diversified. The Foundation's investment strategy through Common Fund meets the requirements of this policy.



MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING

between

THE ESTATE OF CLARENCE AND BILLIE EDMONDS

and

TENNESSEE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION

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The following sets forth the understanding for the administration of a \$143,359.71 gift from the Estate of Clarence and Billie Edmonds to support Tennessee Technological University.

I. GIFT BACKGROUND

In April of 2021, notice was received of a pending estate settlement from a charitable remainder trust in the name of Clarence and Billie Edmonds. Through conversation with the executor of the estate/son of Mr. and Mrs. Edmonds, it was determined that while the trust document itself did not provide guidance as to how the gift be used at Tennessee Tech, the three children of Mr. and Mrs. Edmonds, through a written letter, requested the funds be used to establish an endowment for the Department of Accounting, College of Business to help deserving students achieve their education. Mr. Edmonds graduated with his accounting degree from Tennessee Tech in 1957, and, per the children, credited this degree with helping him achieve many of his life's accomplishments. They therefore felt that this request would most closely match their parents' desires for the bequeathed funds.

II. DONOR BACKGROUND

During the wonderful 61 years that Clarence and Billie Edmonds were married, they impacted countless lives. Now, through this gift from their estate, their legacy will continue at Tennessee Tech.

Clarence served two years in the Army then was graduated from Tennessee Tech with a degree in accounting in 1957. Billie worked and started raising their family as two of their three children were born during this time. They moved to Nashville where Clarence became the first employee of Ernst & Ernst (now Ernst and Young) in the city.

In 1969, Clarence joined Jack C. Massey as President of Massey Investments. He also served as the President and Director of the Jack C. Massey Foundation for over 35 years. During this time, Clarence was also involved in many real estate developments including the Lowe's Vanderbilt Plaza Hotel and office complex in Nashville, TN, and the suburban office park "Maryland Farms" in Brentwood, TN.

Clarence served as Treasurer of the Tennessee Republican Party during Howard Baker's Senate campaign. He also served on the Board of Directors of several non-profits including Belmont University, American Constructors, American Retirement Centers, and the Tennessee Baptist Foundation.

The Edmonds were among the founding families of two churches: Haywood Hills Baptist Church



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in 1961 and Brentwood Baptist Church in 1968. Clarence served as a Deacon and Trustee of both churches and was the Vice Chairman of the Southern Baptist Foundation.

Clarence and Billie loved to play golf. He won the club championship at Brentwood Country Club and had 6 holes in one during his playing years.

Clarence felt the University gave him the foundation to succeed and he always wanted to help others have the benefit of education.

III. PURPOSE

While under no legal obligation directed by the estate, to the extent possible this gift will be used per the expressed desires of the Edmonds children and therefore establish the **Clarence and Billie Edmonds Quasi-Endowment** at Tennessee Tech. The Foundation/University reserves the right to redirect the funds at any point in the future.

This endowment will be used at the discretion of the Chair of the Department of Accounting, with oversight from the Dean of the College of Business, to help deserving students with their education at Tennessee Tech. Should scholarships be given from this fund, then any students who meet the following criteria will be eligible:

- Must be a regularly admitted or current student in good standing in accordance with current institutional policies.
- Must be an accounting major.
- This scholarship is renewable.

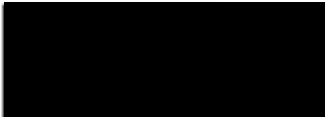
IV. SCHEDULE AND FORM OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Clarence and Billie Edmonds have fulfilled this commitment with a \$143,359.71 gift from a charitable trust in their estate.

V. RECOGNITION

In appreciation of this gift, Clarence and Billie Edmonds will be recognized in accordance with the standard recognition procedures of the Foundation. An annual report will be sent to:

D. Rex Edmonds





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Darryl L. Edmonds



Sheila E. Mabry



VI. ADMINISTRATION

The Foundation will administer this quasi-endowment fund on behalf of Tennessee Technological University, as approved by the TTU Board of Trustees on _____ and the TTU Foundation Board of Directors on _____. The Foundation will establish accounts and make distributions according to policy in support of the purpose designated in Section II. The property comprising this gift may, for investment purposes, be merged with any of the general investment assets of the Foundation. The Foundation will apply an assessment of fully funded endowments as of June 30 each year to support the operations of the Foundation. The College of Business will administer the endowment.

VICE PRESIDENT, UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT:

Name: Kevin H. Braswell, Ph.D.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

VICE PRESIDENT, PLANNING AND FINANCE:

Name: Claire Stinson, Ed.D.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Development Officer: Tiff Rector

March 25, 2021

Mr. Tiff Rector
Executive Director of Planned Giving
Tennessee Tech
1 Williams L. Jones Drive
Cookeville, TN 38505

Re: Donation from Clarence and Billie Edmonds

Dear Mr. Rector,

Below is a brief intro into the background and lives of Clarence and Billie Edmonds.

Clarence served two years in the Army then graduated from Tennessee Tech with a degree in Accounting in 1957. Billie worked and started raising their family as two of their three children were born during this time. They moved to Nashville where Clarence became the first employee of Ernst & Ernst. (Now EY)

In 1969 Clarence joined Jack C. Massey as President of Massey Investments. He also served as the President and a Director of the Jack C. Massey Foundation for over 35 years.

Clarence was involved in many real estate developments including the Lowe's Vanderbilt Plaza Hotel and Office complex in Nashville TN and the suburban office park "Maryland Farms" in Brentwood, TN.

He served as Treasurer of the Tennessee Republican Party during Howard Baker's Senate campaign.

Clarence and Billie were among the founding families of two churches. Haywood Hills Baptist Church in 1961 and Brentwood Baptist Church in 1968. Clarence served as a Deacon and Trustee of both churches and was the Vice Chairman of the Southern Baptist Foundation.

He served on the Board of Directors of Belmont University, American Constructors, American Retirement Centers, and the Tennessee Baptist Foundation.

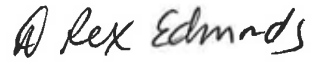
Clarence and Billie loved to play golf. He won the club championship at Brentwood Country Club and had 6 holes in one during his playing years.

They were each other's strongest supporter and were married for 61 wonderful years.

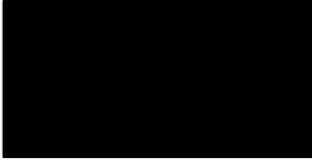
Clarence felt Tennessee Tech gave him the foundation to succeed and he always wanted to help others have the benefit of education. Per their wishes, please use the attached funds to establish an endowment in the College of Business, School of Accounting in the name of Clarence and Billie Edmonds, to be used assisting deserving students in continuing their education at Tennessee Tech.

Please contact us if you have questions or need additional details about their wishes.

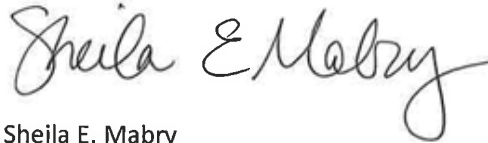
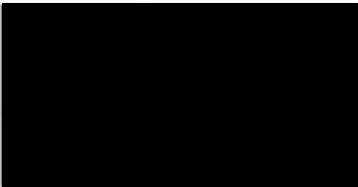
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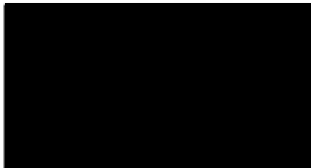
D. Rex Edmonds



Darryl L. Edmonds



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CLARENCE AND BILLIE P. EDMONDS

CHARITABLE REMAINDER UNITRUST

THIS TRUST AGREEMENT is made and entered into between CLARENCE EDMONDS and BILLIE P. EDMONDS, residents of Williamson County, Tennessee (collectively, the "Donor"), and CLARENCE EDMONDS and BILLIE P. EDMONDS (collectively, the "Trustee").

ARTICLE I: Name; Effective Date. This Trust Agreement shall be known as the CLARENCE AND BILLIE P. EDMONDS CHARITABLE REMAINDER UNITRUST (hereinafter referred to as the "Trust" or "this Trust"). The effective date of this Trust is Dec. 9, 1997.

ARTICLE II: Transfer of Property to Trust. The Donor hereby assigns, transfers, and delivers to the Trustee the property described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto. The Trustee hereby acknowledges receipt of such property and agrees to hold the same in trust and to manage and dispose of the same in accordance with the provisions of this Trust.

ARTICLE III: Irrevocable Trust. This Trust shall be irrevocable. The Donor shall not retain the right to alter, amend, revoke, or terminate the Trust, or any of the terms of this Trust, in whole or in part.

ARTICLE IV: Payment of Unitrust Amount. In each taxable year of the Trust, the Trustee shall pay in cash, in kind, or partially in each, to Clarence Edmonds and Billie P. Edmonds, in equal shares during their lifetimes (hereinafter referred to individually as the "Recipient" and collectively as the "Recipients"), a unitrust amount (hereinafter referred to as the "Unitrust Amount") equal to the lesser of: (a) the Trust income for the taxable year, as

Recipient terminates, the Trustee shall prorate the Unitrust Amount on a daily basis. Any income of the Trust for a taxable year in excess of the Unitrust Amount shall be added to principal.

ARTICLE V: Corrective Payments. If for any year the net fair market value of the Trust assets is incorrectly determined and as a result the payments made to a Recipient exceed or are less than the payments to be required hereunder, then within a reasonable period after the correct net fair market value is finally determined for federal tax purposes, the Trustee shall pay to the Recipient or the Recipient's estate (in the case of an undervaluation) or receive from the Recipient or the Recipient's estate (in the case of an overvaluation) an amount equal to the difference between the Unitrust Amount properly payable if the correct valuation had been utilized and the Unitrust Amount actually paid.

ARTICLE VI: Payment of Federal Estate Taxes and State Death Taxes. The lifetime unitrust interest of the survivor Recipient will continue in effect upon the death of the first Recipient to die only if the survivor Recipient furnishes the funds for payment of any such death taxes for which the Trustee may be liable upon the death of the first Recipient to die.

ARTICLE VII: Distribution to Charity. Upon the death of the survivor Recipient, the Trustee shall distribute all of the then principal and income of the Trust (other than any amount due either of the Recipients or their estates under Articles IV and V above) in equal shares to: (a) [REDACTED], (b) [REDACTED] and (c) Tennessee Technological University, Cookeville, Tennessee (the originals and any substitute organizations hereinafter collectively referred as the "Charitable Organization"). The Donor hereby reserves the right to substitute for any of the

qualification of the Trust under Section 664(d)(2) and Section 664(d)(3) of the Code and the corresponding regulations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Donor and the Trustee have hereunto set their hands as of the effective date of this Trust.

DONOR:

Clarence Edmonds
CLARENCE EDMONDS

Billie P. Edmonds
BILLIE P. EDMONDS

TRUSTEES:

Clarence Edmonds
CLARENCE EDMONDS

Billie P. Edmonds
BILLIE P. EDMONDS

7.3

STATE OF TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON

Personally appeared before me, Rebecca Lynn Marklein, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, the within named Clarence Edmonds, the bargainer, with whom I am personally acquainted (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence), and who acknowledged that he executed the within instrument for the purposes therein contained.

WITNESS my hand and official seal at Brentwood, Tennessee, this 9th day of December, 1997.

Rebecca Lynn Marklein
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: July 28, 2001

STATE OF TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON

Personally appeared before me, Rebecca Lynn Marklein, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, the within named Billie P. Edmonds, the bargainer, with whom I am personally acquainted (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence), and who acknowledged that she executed the within instrument for the purposes therein contained.

WITNESS my hand and official seal at Brentwood, Tennessee, this 9th day of December, 1997.

Rebecca Lynn Marklein
Notary Public

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E. Investments

1. All investment decisions shall be in accordance with this policy and must be approved by the Vice President for Planning and Finance or his/her designee.
2. All investments in which funds are deposited outside the State of Tennessee must be authorized by the President.
3. A Trustee Custodian account should be used for handling and holding all investments, other than the Local Government Investment Pool and collateralized certificates of deposit.
4. All investments must be made subject to "delivery versus payment."
5. All funds received by Tennessee Tech and that are available for a sufficient period of time for investment in any interest generating medium should be invested within three (3) days after receipt of such funds.
6. At a minimum, Tennessee Tech shall determine rates of return on all feasible authorized mediums of investment prior to making an investment; and funds shall be invested in those mediums expected to pay the highest rate for the period of time for which the funds are available for investment.
7. All investments of funds in certificates of deposits where the period of investment will exceed thirty (30) days shall be determined on the basis of competitive bids, with appropriate records maintained for audit purposes, including the person obtaining the bids, the amount and rate of return of each bid, and the person who approved the investment.
8. An investment plan should be developed that specifies liquidity requirements for providing cash needed by Tennessee Tech.
9. Investments of endowments in equity securities shall be limited to funds from private gifts or other sources external to the university. Endowment investments shall be prudently diversified.
10. Funds of Tennessee Tech may be invested in a savings account or certificate of deposit of any Depository provided the requirements of this policy including Sections C.1 and C.2, and the Collateral Security requirements of Section B are met. Other authorized investments, subject to the limitations of Section E.12, are set forth in T.C.A. § 9-4-602.
11. All investments via repurchase agreements must include the following:
 - g. There must be a written agreement in accordance with the standard agreement set forth in guidelines established pursuant to this policy.



Agenda Item Summary

Date: October 7, 2021

Division: Planning and Finance

Agenda Item: Tenure Upon Appointment Recommendation

Review

Action

No action required

PRESENTERS: Dr. Lori Bruce, Provost

PURPOSE & KEY POINTS:

This tenure recommendation is being presented at the October Board meeting, as Dr. Yelamarthi was hired after the June Board meeting. Dr. Yelamarthi was hired as Associate Dean in the College of Engineering. All supporting documents are included in Diligent.

7.4

Tennessee Tech University

Board of Trustees



FACULTY TENURE CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

One newly hired administrator is hereby recommended for tenure upon appointment.

If this recommendation is approved, the percentage of tenured faculty members at Tennessee Tech University in Fall 2021 will be 59%.

DATE: September 20, 2021

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Tennessee Tech University
Board of Trustees



FACULTY TENURE UPON HIRE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2021 – 2022

Recommended personnel are listed alphabetically by last name.

	Name	Department/Division	Current Rank
1	Yelamarthi, Kumar	College of Engineering	Associate Dean/Professor

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Agenda Item Summary

Date: October 7, 2021

Agenda Item: Meeting Dates

Review

Action

No action required

9.1

PRESENTERS: Chair Harper

PURPOSE & KEY POINTS: Announce the upcoming Board of Trustees' meeting dates:

Next Board meeting is December 2, 2021

Next Informational Session will be virtual on November 9, 2021

Board meetings for calendar year 2022:

March 10, 2022

June 23, 2022

October 6, 2022

December 1, 2022

**Tennessee Tech Faculty Senate
Resolution thanking Upper Cumberland Health Care Workers**

Whereas the Covid-19 global pandemic continues to impact the health and safety of the global community, resulting in the loss of more than 4.5 million lives worldwide; and

Whereas health care workers serve on the front lines to keep their communities safe and provide critical care to ease the suffering of Covid-19 patients; and

Whereas health care workers provide compassionate end-of-life care for Covid-19 patients as they may be isolated from their loved ones; and

Whereas the Upper Cumberland Region of Central Tennessee has seen a disproportionate number of Covid-19 cases (more than 63,000 as of September 10, 2021) and deaths (more than 980 as of September 10, 2021); therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Tennessee Tech Faculty Senate recognizes the strength, compassion, dedication and professionalism of all health care workers in the Upper Cumberland region; and

Be it further resolved, that the Tennessee Tech Faculty Senate also recognizes the unwavering resolve of healthcare professionals at Cookeville Regional Medical Center (CRMC) to treat and care for patients both in and around Cookeville, Tennessee; and

Be it further resolved, that the Tennessee Tech Faculty Senate recognizes the tireless efforts of health care workers in TTU Health Services; and

Be it further resolved, that the Tennessee Tech Faculty Senate recognizes the dedication and commitment of faculty, staff and students in the Whitson-Hester School of Nursing as they teach and conduct clinical and hospital-based training amid an ongoing pandemic.

Tennessee Tech Faculty Senate Resolution on CDC Guidance and Covid-19 Vaccination

Whereas the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is the national public health agency of the United States; and

Whereas the CDC's mission is to protect people through the control and prevention of disease, injury, and disability in the United States and worldwide; and

Whereas the CDC conducts research on infectious diseases such as Covid-19 and advises the public on precautionary measures to prevent and control the spread of Covid-19 and related variants; and

Whereas the CDC regularly updates guidance based on peer-reviewed scientific and medical research; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Tennessee Tech Faculty Senate strongly encourages all faculty, staff, students, subcontractors, and campus visitors to follow current Covid-19 CDC guidelines; and

Be it further resolved, that the Tennessee Tech Faculty Senate strongly encourages all faculty, staff, students, subcontractors, and campus visitors to follow CDC recommendations for vaccination against Covid-19; and

Be it further resolved, that the Tennessee Tech Faculty Senate recognizes TTU Health Services for their hard work throughout the Covid-19 pandemic including the administration of tests and vaccines to the campus community.

Additional Information

Free Covid-19 vaccines are available Monday through Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm at TTU Health Services. To make an appointment, please call (931) 372-3320.