

**LINCOLN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Special Meeting**  
**January 6, 2022**

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**MINUTES**

The Lincoln University Board of Trustees held a Special Meeting on Thursday, January 6, 2022, virtually via Zoom. Gerald W. Bruce, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM Eastern. Trustee Rev. Dr. Frances E. Paul led the group in prayer. Trustee Jalila Parker, Board Secretary, called roll.

**TRUSTEES PRESENT:** Gerald W. Bruce, Chair; Dr. Brenda A. Allen, President; Mr. Robert A. Allen; Robert L. Archie; Mr. Steven Board, Mr. Owen Cooks; Mr. Van Corbin; The Honorable Andrew Dinniman; Mr. William F. Dunbar; Dr. Judith L. Fitzgerald; Dr. Tanya Garcia; Mr. Michael Hancock; Ms. Nandi Jones-Clement; Mr. James W. Jordan; Mr. Henry M. Lancaster, II; Mr. Stephen Kenric Lewis; Ms. Kimberly A. Lloyd; Ms. Felicia McDade; Ms. Jalila Parker; Rev. Dr. Frances E. Paul; Ms. Jayla Ross; Honorable Doris Smith-Ribner; Dr. Charmaine Rochester; Mr. Jose Sabastro; Ms. Sandra F. Simmons; Dr. Deborah C. Thomas; Mr. Kevin E. Vaughan; Dr. Corey D. B. Walker; Mr. Joseph V. Williams, Jr; Mr. Gregory Works; and Faculty Representative: Dr. Karen Baskerville. *A quorum was satisfied.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no requests for public comment.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The Board Chair read aloud the Conflict of Interest Statement.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Bruce called an Executive Session to discuss a personnel-related matter. Following the close of the Executive Session, Chairman Bruce reconvened the public session.

A motion was made and properly seconded to authorize Lincoln University to hire Ava Willis-Barksdale to serve as the Vice President for the Office of Institutional Advancement, and as Executive Director for the Lincoln University Foundation.

Trustee Parker conducted a roll call vote.

The motion was unanimously approved.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**There being no further business,** Chairman Bruce adjourned the meeting at 5:38 PM.