



## Board of Trustees

Special Meeting

July 27, 2023

Minutes

President's Boardroom, Horace Mann Center

A live stream of the meeting for public viewing also took place on YouTube.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Ali Salehi, Vice Chair Melissa Alvarado, and Trustees Theresa Jasmin and William Reichelt

**MEMBERS PARTICIPATING REMOTELY:** Secretary Dr. Gloria Williams and Trustees Paul Boudreau, Daniel Currier, George Gilmer, Madeline Landrau, and Dr. Robert Martin

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Trustee Chris Montemayor

Dr. Linda Thompson, President of Westfield State University, was also present. Attorney Elizabeth Sullivan from Rubin and Rudman was participating remotely.

The meeting was called to order at 10:31 AM by Chair Salehi. A roll call of the members listed above was taken. It was announced that the meeting was being livestreamed and recorded until the meeting entered executive session.

Chair Salehi stated:

- The meeting would enter executive session pursuant to Open Meeting Law, G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a) #3, for the purpose of discussing litigation strategy.
- Having the meeting in open session would have a detrimental effect on the University's litigating position.
- The meeting would not reconvene in open session and would be adjourned from executive session.
- Once the meeting entered executive session, guests must leave the room and the live stream would end.

**MOTION** made by Trustee Jasmin, seconded by Trustee Landrau, to move into executive session.

At 10:34 AM Trustee Reichelt joined the meeting and **ROLL CALL VOTE** passed motion unanimously with Trustees voting in the affirmative: Alvarado, Boudreau, Currier, Gilmer, Jasmin, Landrau, Martin, Reichelt, Williams, and Salehi.

Chair Salehi requested Elizabeth Sullivan to remain on Zoom and President Thompson and Jean Beal to remain in the room.

The Board entered executive session at 10:34 AM and did not reconvene in open session.

**Secretary's Certificate**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the approved open session portion of the minutes of the Westfield State University Board of Trustees Special meeting held on July 27, 2023.