

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**April 11, 2023  
2:00 p.m.**

A special meeting of the University of South Alabama Board of Trustees was duly convened by Ms. Arlene Mitchell, Chair *pro tempore*, on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at 2:04 p.m. in the Board Room of the Frederick P. Whiddon Administration Building. Meeting attendance was open to the public.

Members: Alexis Atkins, Arlene Mitchell, Jimmy Shumock and Jim Yance were present, and Chandra Brown Stewart, Steve Furr, Ron Graham, Ron Jenkins, Bill Lewis, Lenus Perkins and Margie Tuckson participated remotely.

Members Absent: Scott Charlton, Tom Corcoran, Kay Ivey, Steve Stokes and Mike Windom.

Administration & Guests: Delaware Arif (Faculty Senate), Owen Bailey, Jo Bonner, Kristin Dukes, Rita Harper, Andi Kent, John Marymont and Polly Stokley.

Following the attendance roll call, **Item 1**, Chair Mitchell turn to President Bonner for opening comments. President Bonner welcomed Trustees and guests.

In accordance with the provisions of the Alabama Open Meetings Act, Chair Mitchell made a motion to convene an executive session for an anticipated duration of two hours for the purpose of discussing preliminary negotiations involving a matter of trade or commerce, **Item 2**. She stated Ms. Dukes had submitted the required written declaration for the minutes and that adjournment of the meeting would be effected with the conclusion of the executive session. Mr. Yance seconded and, at 2:08 p.m., the Board voted unanimously to convene an executive session, as recorded below:

AYES:

- Ms. Atkins
- Ms. Brown Stewart
- Dr. Furr
- Mr. Graham
- Capt. Jenkins
- Judge Lewis
- Chair Mitchell
- Mr. Perkins
- Mr. Shumock
- Ms. Tuckson
- Mr. Yance

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:08 p.m.

Attest to:



Lenus M. Perkins, Secretary

Respectfully Submitted:



Arlene Mitchell, Chair *pro tempore*

# APPENDIX A

Executive Session

University of South Alabama Board of Trustees meeting on April 11, 2023.

The purpose of the executive session for the above-referenced meeting is to discuss preliminary negotiations involving a matter of trade or commerce.

This declaration is submitted pursuant to the requirements of the Alabama Open Meetings Act by Kristin Daniels Dukes, ASB number 6408o61k.

*Kristin Daniels Dukes*