



# Fitchburg State University

## Minutes

### Board of Trustees Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Thursday April 11, 2024 at 8:00 AM

#### Location

Presidents' Hall, Mazzaferro Center, 291 Highland Ave., Fitchburg, MA 01420

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Notice of a Meeting of the Fitchburg State University Board of Trustees to be held on Thursday, April 11 at 8:00 a.m. in Presidents' Hall, Mazzaferro Center, 291 Highland Ave., Fitchburg, MA 01420

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#### Trustees Present

A. Turner, D. Phillips, D. Tiernan, E. Gregoire, K. Spinelli, L. Barrieau, M. Fiorentino, Jr., S. King-Goodwin

#### Trustees Absent

C. Stimpson, J. Flanagan

#### Guests Present

J. Murdoch, K. Lundgren, M. Bruun, N. Robichaud, P. McCafferty, R. Toomey

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#### I. Opening Items

##### A. Record Attendance and Guests

##### B. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Phillips called a meeting of the board of trustees of Fitchburg State University to order on Thursday Apr 11, 2024 at 8:03 AM.

## **II. Interview with Presidential Candidate**

### **A. Board Discussion with Dr. Karim Ismaili**

Chair Phillips welcomed Dr. Karim Ismaili to the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Ismaili gave a brief overview of his background and explained why he is interested in the presidency at Fitchburg State.

Board members then engaged in a wide-ranging discussion with Dr. Ismaili, covering such topics as student success (academics and co-curricular), diversity and inclusion, academic innovation/planning and faculty engagement, financial management, strategic enrollment, community relations/advancement, and trustee relations.

Chair Phillips thanked Dr. Ismaili.

## **III. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
D. Tiernan