

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 15, 2015, MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

ATTENDANCE

This scheduled meeting of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution (“Smithsonian”) was held on Monday, June 15, 2015. The Board conducted morning, afternoon, and executive sessions in the Regents’ Room in the Smithsonian Castle in Washington, D.C. Board Chair John W. McCarter, Jr., called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Also present were:

The Chief Justice ¹	John Fahey	Senator Patrick J. Leahy
Barbara M. Barrett	Shirley Ann Jackson ²	Senator David Perdue
Senator John Boozman	Representative Sam Johnson	David M. Rubenstein
Steve Case	Robert P. Kogod	
Representative Tom Cole	Risa Lavizzo-Mourey	

Sakurako Fisher, Smithsonian National Board Chair
David Silfen, Investment Committee Chair²
Alan Spoon, Advancement Committee Chair²

Vice President Joseph R. Biden, Jr., Representative Xavier Becerra, and Mr. Michael Lynton were unable to attend the meeting.

Also present were:

Albert Horvath, Acting Secretary	John K. Lapiana, Acting Under Secretary for Finance and Administration/Chief Financial Officer
Freddie Adelman, Director of The Smithsonian Associates ³	Judith Leonard, General Counsel
Greg Bettwy, Acting Chief of Staff to the Secretary	Evelyn S. Lieberman, Senior Advisor to the Secretary
Julie Bindelglass, Writer-Editor for the Office of the Regents (recorder)	Christopher Liedel, President of Smithsonian Enterprises
Claudine Brown, Assistant Secretary for Education and Access	Grisella Martinez, Assistant to Congressman Becerra
Amy Chen, Chief Investment Officer	Kevin McDonald, Assistant to Senator Leahy
Virginia B. Clark, Director of Advancement and Philanthropic Giving	Jeffrey P. Minear, Counselor to the Chief Justice
Derrick Dickey, Assistant to Senator Perdue	Sean Murphy, Assistant to Representative Cole
David Heil, Assistant to Representative Johnson	Rachel Parker, Deputy Chief of Staff to the Regents
Cathy Helm, Inspector General	Nell Payne, Director of Government Relations
Tony-Marie Higgins, Assistant to Senator Boozman	Porter N. Wilkinson, Chief of Staff to the Regents
John Kress, Interim Under Secretary for Science	
Richard Kurin, Under Secretary for History, Art, and Culture	

¹ The Chancellor, Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr., participated in the afternoon session.

² Dr. Jackson, Mr. Silfen, and Mr. Spoon participated in the morning session.

³ Ms. Adelman participated in the luncheon presentation.

MORNING SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The morning session of the Board of Regents' meeting began with an executive session.

During the executive session, the Board welcomed two new senatorial Regents, Senator John Boozman of Arkansas and Senator David Perdue of Georgia. Next, Governance and Nominating Committee Chair Steve Case led the Board's discussion of 2016 Regent Committee membership, including the search for new non-Regent candidates for several committees. Mr. Case went on to discuss one of the Regents' recommendations for a change to the current format of the Board meetings.

Chair John W. McCarter, Jr., continued the session, and led the Board's discussion of personnel matters, litigation, and other sensitive topics.

The executive session was adjourned at approximately 9:50 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

Smithsonian staff members entered the room and introduced themselves to the Board for the benefit of the new senatorial Regents. Following staff introductions, Board Chair John W. McCarter, Jr., called the open session to order at 9:55 a.m.

REPORT OF THE ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE

Advancement Committee Chair Alan Spoon presented the report of the Committee.

Recognition of Sako Fisher

Mr. Spoon began his report by recognizing Sako Fisher, chair of the Smithsonian National Board ("SNB") and thanking her for her many contributions to the Smithsonian Campaign ("Campaign") and to the Advancement Committee ("Committee").

Smithsonian Campaign Progress

Mr. Spoon went on to discuss the Committee's outreach efforts, including regional programming as part of the Campaign. He reported on the Campaign's progress, stating that the Campaign has raised \$1.178 billion, which is approximately 78 percent of the campaign goal. Mr. Spoon noted that six units have achieved 75 percent or more of their campaign goals. As part of the Campaign, approximately \$324 million has been raised toward the Endowment. The Smithsonian is presently on track to reach its annual fundraising goal, with approximately \$142 million raised to-date toward the fiscal year 2015 goal. Mr. Spoon also updated the Board on fundraising efforts for the National Museum of African American History and Culture ("NMAAHC"), reporting that over \$211 million has been raised in pledges and verbal commitments. Lastly, Mr. Spoon explained that by working closely with, and paying particular attention to each individual unit, the Committee was able to learn where engagement

is most needed. The Committee focused on the six science units during its last meeting and will turn its attention to the history, art, and culture units at their next meeting.

Notable Gifts and Grants

Next, Director of Advancement and Philanthropic Giving Virginia Clark highlighted notable gifts and grants. Ms. Clark drew the Board's attention to four corporate and foundation gifts for NMAAHC, a gift to the National Museum of African Art, and a gift to support technological and digitization efforts.

TOUR OF THE ARTS AND INDUSTRIES BUILDING

Acting Under Secretary for Finance and Administration John Lapiana led the Board on a guided tour of the Arts and Industries Building. Mr. Lapiana and the Board discussed the ongoing renovations.

REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD AND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Important Upcoming Dates

Immediately following the tour of the Arts and Industries Building, Mr. McCarter reconvened the meeting and delivered his report. Mr. McCarter reminded the Board of important upcoming dates, including a Welcome to Washington reception and the Installation Ceremony and Reception. Mr. McCarter also noted that planning has begun for the 2016 roll-out and opening of NMAAHC.

Appreciation of Sako Fisher

Mr. McCarter expressed the Board's gratitude to Sako Fisher, for her outstanding work as SNB Chair.

Approval of the April 13, 2015, Meeting Minutes

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the draft minutes of the April 13, 2015, meeting of the Board of Regents were approved without modification.

See attached Action 2015.06.01 (*Minutes of the Board of Regents, Appendix A*).

REPORT OF THE ACTING SECRETARY

Acting Secretary Albert Horvath updated the Board on the Smithsonian's buildings, budget, education initiatives, international programs, and consortia events.

Mr. Horvath reported that the transition to Secretary-elect, Dr. David Skorton, has been moving along exceptionally well. Weekly briefings, along with regular updates, and calls have kept the incoming Secretary up to speed and involved until his arrival at the Smithsonian scheduled for July 1, 2015.

Personnel Update

Mr. Horvath updated the Board on personnel matters, including the Smithsonian's search for a new Under Secretary for Science, led by Deputy Director of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory Roger Brissenden. The search has narrowed down to three finalists. Mr. Horvath noted that both he and Secretary-elect Skorton would have an opportunity to meet with and evaluate each of the candidates.

Mr. Horvath also reported on two other personnel searches: the first for the Director of the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service and the second for the Director of the Smithsonian Science Education Center. He stated that both searches are in the final stages of the interview process, with selection and official appointments expected in the next four to six weeks.

**Smithsonian
Highlighted on
CBS's 60
Minutes**

Mr. Horvath announced that at the invitation of Representative Candice Miller, he will testify in front of the House Committee on House Administration regarding the state of the Smithsonian. He went on to highlight two episodes of CBS's *60 Minutes*, the first of which featured Regent David Rubenstein and highlighted his patriotic philanthropy. The second segment featured NMAAHC and finished first in its timeslot, pleasing producers and the Smithsonian. Producers plan to air two additional features on NMAAHC prior to the November 2016 opening.

**Update on
NMAAHC
Construction**

Mr. Horvath also updated the Board on construction progress of NMAAHC. He reported that the exterior construction of the building is finished and the next step will be to focus on landscaping and planting, so the exterior will be ready in time for the opening. Mr. Horvath advised the Board on the unfortunate death of a sub-contractor at the NMAAHC construction site. He assured the Board that the Smithsonian is supporting all of OSHA's investigational efforts into the accident and that the Smithsonian continues to place safety as a top priority for all Smithsonian employees, contractors, and sub-contractors.

**NMAAHC
Collection
Efforts**

Next, Mr. Horvath asked the Under Secretary for History, Art, and Culture Dr. Richard Kurin to brief the Board on NMAAHC's collections efforts. Dr. Kurin reported that NMAAHC has increased its collections from zero items to over 35,000 artifacts, including the recent acquisition of items from a slave ship, which sank in 1794 off the coast of Cape Town, South Africa. The salvaged ship carried more than 400 enslaved Africans from Mozambique and sank just 60 yards from land. The discovery of these artifacts has increased research and developments into the study of the transatlantic slave trade. The collection is on long-term loan to the museum for an initial period of ten years.

**Smithsonian
Science
Education
Center**

Mr. Horvath highlighted the Smithsonian Science Education Center, which recently celebrated its 30th anniversary with a gala reception, held at the National Museum of Natural History. He explained that the mission of the Smithsonian Science Education Center is to improve the science curriculum in schools throughout the country and to enhance the teaching and learning of science for students in the U.S. and around the world.

**Update on Giant
Magellan
Telescope
Construction**

Mr. Horvath then asked Interim Under Secretary for Science John Kress to update the Board on the construction of the Giant Magellan Telescope ("GMT"). Ten other institutions throughout the world are assisting with construction of GMT. The GMT is expected to see its first light in 2021, when it will be used for the first time to record an astronomical image. The telescope should be operational in 2024, and once complete, will be the largest land-based telescope in the world, with ten times the resolution of the Hubble Space Telescope.

Awards and Appointments

Mr. Horvath ended his report by recognizing the recent awards and achievements of Smithsonian staff. Among those recognized were Dr. Kurin, who was recently elected to the prestigious American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and Director of the Freer and Sackler Galleries, Julian Raby, who was awarded the “Order of the Rising Sun” by Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe.

Upcoming Events and Exhibits

Lastly, Mr. Horvath highlighted upcoming events and exhibits, including the Shirin Nishat exhibition gala opening at the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, the Smithsonian Folklife Festival, and the reopening of the National Museum of American History West Wing.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AMERICAN HISTORY WEST WING PROJECT UPDATE

Director of the National Museum of American History (“NMAH”) John Gray updated the Board on the West Wing project. Mr. Gray reported that the first floor of the West Wing of NMAH will reopen to the public on July 1, 2015. The West Wing will focus on the ideals and ideas of Americans. The first floor illustrates the theme of innovation and invention. The second and third floors are in progress and will open in the coming years, focusing on democracy, the peopling of America, and American identity through culture. The first floor has 13 exhibitions, educational spaces, and a public performance stage, with over 165 interactive opportunities including more than 10 hours of informative video footage. One of the initial exhibits will focus on currency “from gold coins to bitcoins” including an 1825 gold piece, considered to be the most valuable coin in the country. The Smithsonian raised over \$43 million for the space and three new endowments were created to support it. Mr. Gray invited the Board to attend the reopening and assured them that they will continue to be apprised of the West Wing project as it progresses.

REPORT OF THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

Investment Committee Chair David Silfen presented the Committee’s report. The report focused on portfolio review and investment strategy. On March 31, 2015, the Endowment’s assets stood at \$1,336.4 million. The Endowment has increased by \$37 million since January 1, 2015, which reflects a total return of \$39.5 million. Mr. Silfen concluded the report by briefly reviewing the Smithsonian’s asset allocation, portfolio liquidity, and Endowment growth with the Board.

REPORT OF THE SMITHSONIAN ENTERPRISES SUBCOMMITTEE

Smithsonian Enterprises Subcommittee (“Subcommittee”) member Steve Case presented the report of the Subcommittee. Mr. Case began by explaining that the overarching goal of the Subcommittee is to enhance the impact, expand the reach, and evolve the business model of Smithsonian Enterprises.

The Subcommittee has been working with Bain & Company to review the current business model. One of their early recommendations is to review the

Smithsonian's e-commerce abilities. Mr. Case reported that in the upcoming months, the Subcommittee will review whether to sell a portion of the Smithsonian's interest in the Smithsonian Channel to Showtime and evaluate the uses of capital that could come out of the possible sale.

REPORT OF THE FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Facilities Committee Chair Robert P. Kogod presented the report of the Committee.

Construction Authorization for Collections Storage

The Board is responsible for approving all design and construction requests submitted to Congress by the Smithsonian. Mr. Kogod explained that the Smithsonian intends to request congressional authorization to construct two new storage facilities. The first facility is a collections-storage module adjacent to the National Air and Space Museum Udvar Hazy Center in Chantilly, Virginia and the second is at the Museum Support Center in Suitland, Maryland. Both facilities are part of the *Smithsonian Collections Framework Plan*.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the Acting Secretary's request to seek congressional authorization to construct two new collections-storage facilities.

See attached Action 2015.06.04 (*Minutes of the Board of Regents, Appendix A*).

Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory Lease Renewal

Mr. Kogod next explained that all real estate transactions with a net present value of \$5 million or more require the approval of the Board of Regents. He outlined Smithsonian management's request to renew the lease for 160 Concord Avenue, Cambridge, MA, for the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory. The space is approximately 37,100 rentable square feet of office, research, and laboratory. This is the proposed sixth lease extension agreement. The Smithsonian's General Counsel Judith Leonard explained that following inquiries from Congress and the Office of Management and Budget, the Smithsonian's Office of General Counsel is currently reviewing the Smithsonian's authority to enter into long-term leases.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the Acting Secretary's request to renew the lease for the space located at 160 Concord Avenue in Cambridge, Massachusetts, for an additional five-year term, subject to the necessary conditions or authorizations.

See attached Action 2015.06.05 (*Minutes of the Board of Regents, Appendix A*).

Facilities Quarterly Report

Mr. Kogod reviewed the Smithsonian's facilities quarterly report, which reflects the ongoing projects and proposed federal Facilities Capital requests. Mr. Kogod asked Director of Government Affairs Nell Payne to comment on the process of congressional authorization, which will be required in order to begin construction and move forward with the *Smithsonian Collections Storage Plan*. Ms. Payne explained that the Smithsonian has an agreement with Congress to seek authorization for any construction project that is valued at more than \$1 million

and noted that the congressional Regents will be asked to introduce this legislation in Congress. Mr. Kogod suggested that the Smithsonian brief the new congressional Regents on the proposed plan.

REPORT OF THE SMITHSONIAN NATIONAL BOARD

Sako Fisher presented her final report as SNB Chair. Ms. Fisher highlighted the areas in which the SNB has experienced notable growth during her tenure. She remarked that in terms of membership, the SNB has gained 29 members since October 2012. The SNB currently has 49 members, representing 22 states, and is the only pan-institutional advisory board. From this group of active and dedicated members and alumni, 26 also serve on unit advisory boards, with three of these members serving on Regent Committees as well. In the fundraising arena, Ms. Fisher reported that during her term, the SNB has raised over \$127 million for the Smithsonian Campaign and has hosted more than 60 events around the country to attract new potential donors. Ms. Fisher concluded her report by announcing her successor, Robert MacDonald, who will assume the role of Chair of the SNB beginning on October 1, 2015.

REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Director of Government Relations Nell Payne presented the report from the Office of Government Relations. Ms. Payne explained that the Office of Government Relations seeks to advance understanding of, and gather support for, the Smithsonian through congressional engagement. As examples of this activity, she reported that the Smithsonian Channel recently launched a new program entitled “Lincoln’s Last Day” and the Office of Government Relations delivered copies to selected members of Congress. Ms. Payne provided details on the annual Congressional Night, which is sponsored by Nissan. This year, the highly anticipated event will take place at the Reynolds Center and the Office of Government Relations expects more than 2,500 guests to attend. Lastly, Ms. Payne announced that in the coming months, the Office of Government Relations will host a congressional preview of the National Museum of American History West Wing renovation project and the annual Congressional Staff Picnic at the Folklife Festival.

REPORT OF THE STRATEGY, INNOVATION, AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Strategy, Innovation, and Technology Committee Chair Dr. Shirley Ann Jackson, presented the report of the Committee.

Dr. Jackson reported that the Committee met on May 19, 2015. The Committee’s prime goal has been to review the role of innovation and technology at the Smithsonian. During the meeting on May 19, the Committee reviewed possible innovation tools such as prizes, contests, and crowdsourcing and will be looking for ways to integrate these tools into the Smithsonian.

LUNCHEON PRESENTATION

During lunch, Director of the Smithsonian Associates Freddie Adelman gave an informal presentation on the work of the Smithsonian Associates.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Chancellor called the afternoon session to order at approximately 1:30 p.m.

REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Governance and Nominating Committee Chair Steve Case presented the report of the Committee.

Advisory Boards Appointments and Reappointments

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the proposed appointments and reappointments to 13 Smithsonian advisory boards were approved en banc.

See attached Actions 2015.06.06-2015.06.24 (Minutes of the Board of Regents, Appendix A).

Senators Boozman and Perdue Regents Committee Assignments

The Governance and Nominating Committee is responsible for nominating candidates for appointment to Regent Committees. Senator Boozman was appointed to the Board of Regents on Thursday, May 21, 2015. The Committee recommended to the Board that Senator Boozman serve on the Compensation and Human Resources Committee and the Strategy, Innovation, and Technology Committee. Senator Perdue was also appointed to the Board of Regents on Thursday, May 21, 2015. The Committee recommended to the Board that Senator Perdue serve on the Finance Committee, Audit and Review Committee, and the Smithsonian Enterprises Subcommittee.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the proposed committee member assignments for the new congressional Regents were approved and recommended to the Chancellor for appointment.

See attached Action 2015.06.25 (Minutes of the Board of Regents, Appendix A).

Changes to Meetings of the Board of Regents

Mr. Case reviewed the details of a recent poll administered by the Office of the Regents on recommended changes to the content and format of Board meetings and materials. Among the recommendations considered by the Board were the development of a consent agenda, written committee reports, an annual strategic meeting, a two-year continuing education plan, and reducing staff attendance at meetings where possible.

Mr. Case explained that for each meeting, the Chair of the Board would be responsible for developing a consent agenda. The agenda and any supporting documentation will then be disseminated with the materials at least a week in advance of the meeting. Items will remain on the consent agenda only if all Regents agree that the item does not require discussion or independent action. If a Regent has a question regarding a

particular item or wishes to remove an item from the consent agenda, he or she will email the Office of the Regents at least three days before the meeting, so that the originating committee can respond to the question or be prepared to discuss the item as part of its report. At the meeting, the Board will consider the consent agenda as a single motion during the report of the Executive Committee.

The Regent committees would be encouraged to develop concise reports and other means of synthesizing information so that meeting time may be devoted to items requiring discussion and action from the Board.

One meeting a year would become a strategic meeting at a Smithsonian facility other than the Castle. The discussions at the strategic meeting would be used to develop a list of educational needs and future programming at future Board of Regents' meetings.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the proposed changes.

See attached Action 2015.06.26 (Minutes of the Board of Regents, Appendix A).

**Governance
Report**

Mr. Case concluded the Committee's report by drawing the Board's attention to the Governance Report. He explained that as part of the governance reforms, the Board committed to performing a review of governance matters every three years. The Board discussed the proposed report, which highlights the major governance developments from 2011 to 2014. Mr. Case noted that the report would be made available on the Regents' website following the Board meeting.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Committee Chair David Rubenstein presented the report of the Committee.

Mr. Rubenstein discussed the Committee's quarterly financial report and then provided updates on the construction progress of both the National Museum of African American History and Culture and the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute Gamboa Laboratory. He explained that both Smithsonian management and the Committee expect the projects will be completed on time and within budget despite some challenges that have arisen at each construction site.

**Fiscal Year 2017
Budget
Priorities**

Mr. Rubenstein proceeded to update the Board on the budget process and external debt of the Smithsonian. He explained that as a part of the budget process, the Board must approve the Smithsonian's budget priorities. Based on the strategic plan, Smithsonian management proposed that the fiscal year 2017 budget priorities be Non-Discretionary Costs, Research and Museum Program Infrastructure, Facilities Maintenance, Security, and Support, and Facilities Capital. The funding for Facilities Capital includes expenditures for the National Air and Space Museum, Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, National Zoological Park Bird House, National Museum of Natural History, and collections storage space projects.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the fiscal year 2017 federal budget priorities proposed by the Acting Secretary.

See attached Action 2015.06.02 (Minutes of the Board of Regents, Appendix A).

**Fiscal Year 2016
Endowment
Payout**

The Board considered the fiscal year 2016 Endowment payout. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved a five percent payout to support programmatic activity and up to an additional one percent payout to fund certain expenses associated with the Smithsonian Campaign.

See attached Action 2015.06.03 (Minutes of the Board of Regents, Appendix A).

EXECUTIVE SESSION: REFLECTIONS OF THE ACTING SECRETARY

During the afternoon executive session, Acting Secretary Albert Horvath discussed his experiences during his term as Acting Secretary and highlighted opportunities and some of the challenges facing the Smithsonian. The Board thanked him for his exceptional work during his tenure as Acting Secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: “GATEKEEPER” SESSION

The Board also conducted an executive session with the Acting Secretary, the General Counsel, the Acting Under Secretary for Finance and Administration, and the Inspector General.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Albert Horvath
Acting Secretary

APPENDIX A: ACTIONS OF THE JUNE 15, 2015, MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the minutes of the April 13, 2015, meeting of the Board of Regents. [2015.06.01]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the fiscal year 2017 federal budget priorities proposed by the Acting Secretary. [2015.06.02]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves a five percent payout from the Smithsonian Endowment in fiscal year 2016 to support programmatic activity. The Board further approves up to an additional one percent payout from the Smithsonian Endowment in fiscal year 2016 to fund certain expenses associated with the national fundraising campaign. The payout shall be calculated against the trailing five-year average market value of the Smithsonian Endowment. [2015.06.03]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the Acting Secretary's request to seek Congressional authorization to construct new Collections Storage facilities adjacent to the Udvar-Hazy Center in Chantilly, Virginia and at the Museum Support Center in Suitland, Maryland. [2015.06.04]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the Acting Secretary's request to renew the lease for the space located at 160 Concord Avenue in Cambridge, Massachusetts, for an additional five year term commencing on January 1, 2016, subject to the necessary conditions or authorizations. [2015.06.05]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Robert MacDonald as chair of the Smithsonian National Board for a three-year term effective October 1, 2015. [2015.06.06]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Philip M. Ryan and Allan Landon and reappoints Brenda Gaines, each as a vice chair of the Smithsonian National Board for one-year terms effective October 1, 2015. [2015.06.07]

VOTED that the Board of Regents reappoints Rod Adkins, Gordon Ambach, William H. Bohnett, Vin Di Bona, Sakurako D. Fisher, Myra Hart, Jonathan Kemper, Dennis J. Keller, and Cheryl Winter Lewy to the Smithsonian National Board for three-year terms each, effective October 1, 2015. [2015.06.08]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Sandra Berler and Virginia Bobins to the Board of Trustees of the Archives of American Art for three-year terms each, effective July 1, 2015. [2015.06.09]

VOTED that the Board of Regents reappoints Carrie Rebora Barratt to the Board of Trustees of the Archives of American Art for a three-year term, effective October 1, 2015. [2015.06.10]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Frank Martucci as trustee emeritus to the Board of Trustees of the Archives of American Art, effective October 1, 2015. [2015.06.11]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Donna Harris-Aikens, Lorenzo McRae, and Vernice Miller-Travis to the Advisory Board of the Anacostia Community Museum for three-year terms each, effective immediately. [2015.06.12]

VOTED that the Board of Regents reappoints Tonya Vidal Kinlow to the Advisory Board of the Smithsonian Anacostia Community Museum for a three-year term, effective October 1, 2015. [2015.06.13]

VOTED that the Board of Regents reappoints Beth Comstock, Madeleine Rudin Johnson, Francine S. Kittredge, Claudia Kotchka, Barbara Mandel, and Henry R. Muñoz III to the Board of Trustees of Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum for three-year terms each, effective immediately. [2015.06.14]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Ann Nitze and Michael Zamsky, and reappoints Mary Ebrahimi, Constance Corcoran Miller, and James W. Lintott to the Board of Trustees of the Freer Gallery of Art and the Arthur M. Sackler Gallery for four-year terms each, effective September 18, 2015. [2015.06.15]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Randall Martinez, to the Advisory Board of the National Museum of American History for a three-year term effective June 1, 2015. [2015.06.16]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints William K. Butler to the Board of Trustees of the National Museum of the American Indian for a three-year term, effective immediately. [2015.06.17]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Senator William H. Frist, M.D. to the Board of Trustees of the National Museum of the American Indian to fill a vacancy with one and a half years remaining, effective immediately. [2015.06.18]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Coralyn W. Whitney and Sophia Shaw to the Board of the National Museum of Natural History for three-year terms each, effective immediately. [2015.06.19]

VOTED that the Board of Regents reappoints Jeff DeBoer, Patricia Olson, and Beatrice von Gontard to the Advisory Board of the National Zoo for three-year terms each, effective immediately. [2015.06.20]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Tessie Guillermo and reappoints Doris O. Matsui and Irene Hirano Inouye to the Advisory Board of the Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Center for three year terms each, effective immediately. [2015.06.21]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Murthy Nukala to the Advisory Board of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory for a three-year term effective July 1, 2015. [2015.06.22]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Alvaro de Molina, Manuel Machado, and Carlos Palomares, and reappoints Raquel Egusquiza to Smithsonian National Latino Board of the Smithsonian Latino Center for three-year terms each, effective immediately. [2015.06.23]

VOTED that the Board of Regents reappoints George DeBakey, Erin Hogan, John Jacobson, and Kristin Richardson to the Advisory Board of the Smithsonian Science Education Center for three-year terms each, effective October 1, 2015. [2015.06.24]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the proposed committee member assignments for Senator Boozman and Senator Perdue and requests that the Chancellor make the necessary appointments. [2015.06.25]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the changes to meetings of the Board of Regents. [2015.06.26]