

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 2, 2015, GOVERNANCE AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE TELECONFERENCE MEETING

The Governance and Nominating Committee (“Committee”) of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution (“Smithsonian”) held a teleconference meeting on March 2, 2015. Participating were Committee Chair Steve Case and Committee members John Fahey, Robert P. Kogod, Risa Lavizzo-Mourey, and Senator Patrick Leahy.

Present by invitation of the Committee were Acting Secretary Albert Horvath; Chief of Staff to the Secretary Patricia L. Bartlett; Office of the Regents Writer-Editor Julie Bindelglass (recorder); Associate General Counsel Craig Blackwell; Deputy Under Secretary for Collections and Interdisciplinary Support Scott Miller; Deputy Chief of Staff to the Regents Rachel Parker; Director of the National Collections Program Bill Tompkins; and Chief of Staff to the Regents Porter Wilkinson.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Case called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 12, 2015, COMMITTEE MEETING

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the draft minutes of the January 12, 2015, Committee meeting were approved without modification.

ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

The proposed slate of candidates to 11 Smithsonian advisory boards was reviewed. Mr. Case noted that the respective advisory board, museum or programmatic unit director, Under Secretary with oversight responsibility, the Office of Advancement, and the Acting Secretary, support the proposed appointment or reappointment of each candidate. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the following motion was approved for recommendation to the Board of Regents:

VOTED that the Governance and Nominating Committee recommends the approval by the Board of Regents of the proposed slate of candidates for appointment or reappointment to 11 Smithsonian advisory boards.

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

The Committee was asked by the Chair of the Investment Committee to consider the appointment of J. Tomlinson Hill to the Regents’ Investment Committee. Mr. Hill served as a founding member of the Investment Committee from 2005 to 2012. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the following motion was approved for recommendation to the Board of Regents:

VOTED that the Governance and Nominating Committee recommends the approval by the Board of Regents of the proposed appointment of J. Tomlinson Hill to the Regents' Investment Committee to serve a term of eight years.

ACQUISITION POLICY

The Committee discussed proposed revisions to the *Smithsonian Institution Policy on Museum Acquisitions*. The policy was previously discussed at the January 26, 2015, Board of Regents' meeting. Based on the discussion at the January Regents' meeting, Smithsonian management proposed updating the *Smithsonian Institution Policy on Museum Acquisitions* to reflect current best practices. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the following motion was approved for recommendation to the Board of Regents:

VOTED that the Governance and Nominating Committee recommends to the Board of Regents that the Board approve the proposed revisions to the *Smithsonian Institution Policy on Museum Acquisitions*.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Case
Chair