A meeting of the Board of Trustees of Purdue University Global (PG) convened at 8:37 a.m. on Friday, December 7, 2018, in Room 326 of Stewart Center on the Purdue University campus in West Lafayette, Indiana.

The following trustees were present: Michael Berghoff, chairman; Paul Bott, JoAnn Brouillette, Malcolm DeKryger and Mike Klipsch. Trustee Don Thompson was not in attendance. Also in attendance were President Mitch Daniels, Treasurer Bill Sullivan, Chancellor Betty Vandenbosch and Secretary Nancy Decker.

I. CHANCELLOR’S REPORT

Chancellor Vandenbosch walked the Board through the rhythm of Board meetings and pointed out that, in August, growth and plans for growth were discussed. Going forward, graduation and student success will be reviewed in December, reputation in February, and the budget in June.

Dr. Vandenbosch reported on graduation rates for the 2017-2018. The rates were calculated on the basis of year of matriculation. Students who started their associate’s four years ago, bachelor’s six years ago and master’s four years ago were included in the calculation. Chancellor Vandenbosch stated while graduation rates are not as high as she would like, she believes Purdue Global is in a good place with its full time students. She further stated that graduation rates for part-time students need improvement.

Dr. Vandenbosch informed the Board that Purdue Global students are happy and engaged which leads to their success. She went on to say that Purdue Global students, in comparison to other adult learners, are more satisfied. Chancellor Vandenbosch reported that she is very proud of the way Purdue Global helps its students finish their degree. She further stated that, on average, students earning an Associate’s degree spend $17,000 per year, students earning a Bachelor’s degree spend $30,000, and students earning a Master’s degree spend about $22,000, with the average time to degree for these students ranging from 1.5 years to 1.9 years.

Dr. Vandenbosch reported that employment and knowledge rate outcomes compare Purdue Global to NACE (National Association of Colleges and Employers), the same organization that other Purdue campuses use. She stated that the knowledge rates outcomes are 92% of the Associate’s degree students, 94% of Bachelor’s degree students and 93% of Master’s degree students. In terms of the employment rate outcomes, 94% Associate’s, 92% Bachelor’s and 91% Master’s are employed, which are well above the national averages. The salary outcomes show an average salary increase following graduation of 56% for Associate’s, 45% for Bachelor’s and 32% for Master’s.
Chancellor Vandenbosch then reported the locations for 2019 graduations as follows: Los Angeles – Skirball Center (February 28), Indianapolis – Murat Theatre (May 18) and Washington, DC – DAR Constitution Hall (August 10).

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Berghoff asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on August 3, 2018. Upon proper motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the August 3rd meeting.

III. ADJOURNMENT

By consent, the meeting adjourned at 8:49 a.m.