

**BOARD OF VISITORS
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

March 5, 2026

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The Governance Committee Meeting was called to order at approximately 8:42 a.m. A quorum was established with a 3-0 Roll Call Vote.

Committee Members Present

Dr. Katrina Chase, Secretary

Dr. L.D. Britt

Committee Member Participated Virtually

Mrs. Heidi Abbott, Chair

Mr. Conrad Hall

Board of Visitors Members Present

Mr. Dwayne Blake

NSU Administrators and Staff Present

Dr. Javaune Adams-Gaston, President

Ms. Pamela F. Boston, University Counsel and Senior Assistant Attorney General

Dr. Justin L. Moses, Vice President for Operations and Chief Strategist for Institutional Effectiveness

Dr. Gerald Ellsworth Hunter, Vice President for Finance and Administration & Chief Financial Officer

Mr. Eric Claville, Executive Advisor to the President for Government Relations

Dr. Tanya S. White, Vice President and Chief of Staff

Dr. Melody Webb, Vice President and Athletics Director

Dr. Melissa J. Barnes, Assistant Vice President for Enrollment Management

Dr. Aurelia T. Williams, Provost and Vice President for Academic and Faculty Affairs (I)

Dr. Leonard Brown, Vice President for Student Affairs

Mr. Clifford Porter, Vice President, University Advancement

Mrs. Derika Burgess, Chief Audit Executive

Mrs. Sharea Williams, Executive Assistant, for Vice President of Operation

Mr. Ronald King, Chief Information Security Officer

Mr. Linwood F. Moses, Office of Information Technology, Project Management Office Director

Ms. Monique Robinson, Director for Procurement Services

Ms. Crystal Jenkins, Norfolk State University Foundation

Ms. Stevalynn Adams, Assistant Vice President of Communications and Marketing

Mr. Gregory B. Baptiste, Director of Enterprise Applications

Mrs. Crystal Square-Williams, Director, University Events, University Advancement

Ms. Erica Saunders, Executive Administrative Assistant, Provost Office

Mrs. Kimberly Gaymon, Scheduler/Financial Services Specialist

Ms. Sher're Dozier, Clerk to the University President for the Board of Visitors

Mr. Christopher Gregory, Office of Information Technology

2. Recommend Approval of Electronic Participation

Mrs. Heidi Abbott provided her reason for electronic participation, due to distance. Dr. L.D. Britt motioned, second by Dr. Katrina Chase, with a 3-0 Roll call vote, the Board approved the electronic participation of Mrs. Heidi Abbott.

3. Recommend Approval of December 4, 2025, Governance Committee Minutes

The Committee voted and unanimously approved with a 3-0 Roll Call Vote, the Minutes for December 4, 2025, Committee Meeting, motioned by Dr. L.D. Britt, and seconded by Dr. Katrina Chase.

4. Old Business

None

5. New Business

Mrs. Abbott informed that there are currently two open seats on the board. Mrs. Abbott also discussed that this is the second to final week of the General Assembly session.

Mr. Claville provided an overview of the General Assembly activities and highlighted several bills that have the potential to impact the board if passed, which are listed below:

- **House Bill 2452:** Highlights the Public Institution of Higher Education, that's governing, live streaming, recording, and archiving Board of Visitors meetings, closed sessions, and guidelines. This Bill will provide the public with real-time access to the meetings of Governing Boards of Higher Education. As well as archiving meetings and minutes taken.

- **Senate Bill 494:** Highlights the terms and Committee representation. This bill aims to restructure boards, as it relates to years of service. Increasing from four to six years. There are currently two consecutive four-year terms for Board members, if passed just one six-year term.
- **Senate Bill 378:** The General Assembly is currently advancing legislation that would expand collective bargaining rights for public sector employees.

6. Recommend Approval of Electronic Participation

Mr. Conrad Hall provided his reason for electronic participation, due to distance, more than 50 miles. Mr. Dwayne Blake motioned, second by Dr. Katrina Chase, with at 4-0 Roll call vote, the Board approved the electronic participation of Mr. Conrad Hall.

7. Board of Visitors Update(s)

None

8. General Assembly Update(s)

None

9. Policy Update(s)

Dr. White provided an update on the policy review process and informed that approximately 75 % of the policies have been completed. There are 136 administrative policies, with the expectation to be completed by mid-summer, prior to the next Board meeting in the fall. Dr. White also discussed the policy review process, which begins with the President, then to the Cabinet, and including the campus community for an opportunity to provide feedback. Dr. White informed of BOV Policy #18, Participation in Board of Visitors Meetings in Event of Emergency, Personal Matter, Certain Disabilities; or Distance from Meeting Location which was reaffirmed to continue virtual participation of Board members.

10. Discussion of Other Items

None

11. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mrs. Heidi Abbott adjourned the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

Mr. Dwayne Blake motion to adjourned, seconded by Dr. Katrina Chase, and with a 5-0 Roll Call vote the Board unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Abbot, Chair Governance Committee

Sher're Dozier, Clerk to the University President for the
Board of Visitors

NSU BOV GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL VOTE

March 5, 2026

Item	Mrs. Heidi Abbott (Chair) Virtual	Dr. Katrina Chase	Mr. Conrad Hall	Dr. L.D. Britt	Mr. Dwayne Blake	Totals
Quorum	Virtual	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	3-0
Recommend Approval of Electronic Participation for Ms. Heidi Abbott	Virtual	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	3-0
Approval of the Minutes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes	4-0
Recommend Approval of Electronic Participation for Mr. Conrad Hall	Yes	Yes	Virtual	Yes	Yes	4-0
Adjourned	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	5-0