

## November 20<sup>th</sup> Minutes

### **Chairman Compton**

- Optimism and pride across UT around performance
- Engagement scores for students and faculty are important
- The Board understands that growth = pain
  - Parking
  - Dorms
  - Classroom sizes
- UFC involvement in helping the BOT
  - Research Security Council – creation is required by the state of TN
  - AI Policy development – creation is required by the state of TN

### **President Boyd**

- Additional comments on the Research Security Council and AI Policy Development
  - UT had two options: 1) we write it or the state of TN does
- UT Growth helps:
  - People in TN who want an education
  - Employers that need talent
- Briefly Discussed Financing options for UT Capital Projects
  - Unlocking the Balance Sheet”
- Will be focusing, considerably, on UTC and UTS Chancellors
- Question to President Boyd: How do we avoid our (UT) resources to fund projects being seen as a substitute as opposed to supplement for/to state funding?
  - Comments from President Boyd:
    - Advocacy
    - Short-term and long-term approaches
- Question: What does UT look like beyond 2030?
  - Comments from President Boyd:
    - Focus on the following: growth in adult learners, new units of educational measurement (e.g., microcredentials), accessibility, affordability
- Question (follow-up): How do we help adult learners with the UT Promise?

### **Dr. Matthews**

- Brief comments about UT System colleagues visiting each campus
- Brief comments surrounding upcoming activities
- Brief comments surrounding the AI Policy being developed

### **Dr. Babski-Reeves**

- Campus visits – emphasis on enhancing research collaboration across campuses
- Brief comments about DASH implementation

### **Dr. Savarese**

- System-wide Strategic Plan update
- President Boyd objectives for 2025 update
- UT Grand Challenges Grants were awarded
- Brief comments about the APLU conference
- Working with UTHSC on a Strategic Enrollment plan
- Common Student Information System – asked for time at a future meeting to discuss

### **9-Month Leave Policy discussion**

- There is no clear consensus on approval of the policy as revised.
- Dr. Walker asked the UFC to support Dr. Matthews and Dr. Walker working on solutions for this complex problem across the campuses. UFC supported without dissent
  - This will include but not delay any work by the UT System surrounding Modified Duties clarifications at each campus

### **Future Agenda Items**

- Common Student Information System
- Infographic shared by Dr. Alderman – Pride Points for UT Faculty