



**KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY
RESEARCH AND SERVICE FOUNDATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
THURSDAY APRIL 13, 2023
9:00 – 10:30 A.M.
HatchBridge Incubator**

Members Present: Kat Schwaig (Chairsperson), Ivan Pulinkala (CEO), Tyler Reinagel (Interim COO), Aaron Howell (CFO), Nwakaego Nkumeh Walker, K.C. Martin, Maria Goethe-Thacker, Nicole Ferguson, Yusun Chang, Sumanth Yenduri, Dana Johnson, Jordyn Upton, Aimee Roper (non-voting member)

Members Not Present:

Guests Present: Chris Cornelison, Colin Ake, Graham Gintz, Scott Nowak, Robert Bridges, Ryan McLemore, Heather Hedgepeth, Jason Jenkins

- I. Call to Order @ 9:00am- Tyler Reinagel
- II. Call to approve minutes. Motion to approve November 29, 2023 meeting minutes.
 - o Maria Thacker Goethe – made the motion
 - o Yusun Chang – seconded the motion
 - o Vote: Motion carried unanimously
- III. Introductions- Tyler Reinagel
 - o Jason Jenkins- new legal counsel
 - o Colin Ake- innovation and entrepreneurship
 - o Graham Gintz- program manager for HatchBridge Incubator
- IV. Updates from President’s Office- Dr. Kat Schwaig
 - o New VP of Communications and Marketing- Jim Sabourin
 - o Chief Diversity Officer- Sonia Toson
 - o March Madness
 - \$300 million marketing value
 - o VPR search is underway
 - o Fall 2023- new strategic plan
- V. Updates from Academic Affairs- Dr. Pulinkala
 - o Colleges updating R2 Roadmap
 - o New bachelors program- Data & Analytics Sciences
 - o Leadership searches
 - o Update P&T guidelines
 - o National Institute Student Success
 - Pre-scheduling for incoming freshmen

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- VI. I3 Presentation with Mary Ukuku & Awatef Ergai
- VII. Updates from Office of Research- Dr. Tyler Reinagel
 - Update on external funding
 - Quickstart licensing agreement
 - Director of SPA search underway
 - Board members tenure
 - HatchBridge Incubator update
 - Indirect rate increase
 - 44% increase from 35.5%
 - Graduate program support
- VIII. Office of COO- Aaron Howell
 - Single Audit
 - Time & Effort Reporting
- IX. Dr. Kat Schwaig to open for comments
 - Maria Thacker Goethe- Customer investor experience hub- GA Bio is competing
 - NSF Engines Proposal- \$160 Million
 - Workforce training and infrastructure
 - n send over vote and secretary organize
- X. Adjournment @ 9:58 A.M., Dr. Tyler Reinagel
 - Nwakaego Nkumeh Walker- made the motion to adjourn
 - Maria Thacker Goethe seconded the motion to adjourn