FITCHBURG STATE UNIVERSITY Presidential Search Committee Minutes Executive Session Thursday, March 15, 2024, 8:00am Hilton Boston Logan Airport One Hotel Drive, Boston, MA 02128

<u>Committee Members Present:</u> Lindsay Carpenter Connors, Mario Delci, Jennifer Flanagan, Eric Gregoire, Meg Hoey, Carolyn Hughes, Kelli Lundgren (ex-officio), Jessica Murdoch (ex-officio), Adriana Padilla Salgado, Deborah Phillips, Elise Takehana, Jonathan Thompson, David Tiernan, Richard Toomey, Allison Turner

Others Present: Greg Duyck (WittKieffer)

Call to order

Chair of the Presidential Search Committee, Eric Gregoire called the meeting to order at 8:11am.

Executive Session

Chairman Gregoire declared pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 21 (a)(8) that an open meeting would have a detrimental effect in obtaining qualified candidates for the position of president. Therefore, he respectfully requested that the Presidential Search Committee enter Executive Session to consider or interview applicants for employment or appointment by the committee, selection of finalists for interviews. The Chair declared the committee would not return to open session.

A motion was made to enter Executive Session to consider or interview applicants for employment or appointment by the committee, selection of finalists for interviews, and related logistics for finalist's interviews and that the committee would not return to open session by Jennifer Flanagan and seconded by Deborah Phillips.

The Committee voted to approve the motion.

The Committee entered Executive Session at 8:13am.

A series of confidential interviews were held with presidential candidates throughout the day. At the conclusion of the interviews, a motion was made to recommend five candidates to invite to campus as finalists by Jennifer Flanagan and seconded by Allison Turner. The Committee voted to approve the motion.

The executive session concluded via roll call at 5:46pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eric A. Gregoire, Chairman of the Presidential Search Committee Board of Trustees