The meeting was called to order by Chair DePalma at 4:30 p.m. in Eberhardt Hall, NJIT Alumni Center Boardroom, NJIT Campus, Newark, N.J. In attendance were Chair DePalma, Vice Chairs Cordes, DeCaprio and Garcia, Board Members Bone, Cistaro, Dahms, Knapp, Poddar, Raia (telephonically), Sugla, and Slimowicz. Absent: Board Members Beachem and Taylor. Administrative members in attendance were President Bloom, Provost and Executive Vice President Deek, Sr. Vice President Sebastian, Vice Presidents Christ, Dees, and Fey, Interim Vice President and Treasurer Bishof, and Secretary Stern.

1. In accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, Chair DePalma read the following statement:

   “Notice of this Meeting was provided to the public as required by the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, in the Schedule of Meeting Dates of the Board of Trustees of the New Jersey Institute of Technology which was mailed and sent electronically to the Star Ledger, the Herald News and the Vector on August 12, 2015, and posted on the University website. This Schedule was also mailed and sent electronically to the County Clerk on August 12, 2015 for filing with that office and posting in such public place as designated by said Clerk.”

2. By a motion duly made by Mr. Knapp, seconded by Ms. Garcia and unanimously approved, the Board approved the public minutes of the meeting of September 17, 2015, with abstentions from those members not in attendance at such meeting.

3. Secretary Stern noted that while two individuals had registered to speak, they did not appear in order to address the Board at the public comments portion of the meeting.

4. Dr. Deek introduced the two Board of Trustees Scholars, Ms. Lourdz Vallejo and Ms. Jaelynne King, who thanked and addressed the Board. Ms. Vallejo, a freshman majoring in Mechanical Engineering and a member of the Albert Dorman Honors College, stated that she hoped to accomplish two things: undergraduate research, and to work as an intern at NASA. Ms. King, a senior majoring in Chemical Engineering, also a member of the Albert Dorman Honors College, discussed her many interests and accomplishments, adding that she plans on attending graduate school to pursue a doctoral degree in chemical engineering.

5. Dr. Deek also introduced Mengchu Zhou. In recognition of his outstanding achievements, Dr. Deek presented him with the following proclamation of the Board of Trustees signed by the President and the Provost:

   WHEREAS, The Systems, Man and Cybernetics Society of the Institute for Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) annually recognizes significant contributions to
research in systems science and engineering, human-machine systems, and/or cybernetics by awarding the Norbert Wiener Award, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mengchu Zhou, Distinguished Professor in the Helen and John C. Hartmann Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, received the 2015 Norbert Wiener Award for “fundamental contributions to the area of Petri net theory and applications to discrete event systems” at the 2015 IEEE International conference on Systems, Man and Cybernetics in Hong Kong on October 11, 2015,

NOW, THEREFORE, the New Jersey Institute of Technology Board of Trustees, on behalf of the entire university community, extends its congratulations to Dr. Zhou for his accomplishments and salutes him for his distinguished contributions.

6. BY A MOTION DULY MADE BY DR. DECAPRIO, SECONDED BY DR. SUGLA AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED, the Board voted to APPROVE RESOLUTION AWARDING OF AN HONORARY DEGREE TO LEONARD KLEINROCK, YING WU AND KATHLEEN WIELKOPOLSKI.

7. BY A MOTION DULY MADE BY MR. DAHMS, SECONDED BY MR. CORDES AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED, the Board voted to APPROVE RESOLUTION TO AWARD THE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT CONTRACT FOR VARIOUS CAMPUS CAPITAL PROJECTS.

8. BY A MOTION DULY MADE BY MR. CISTARO, SECONDED BY DR. DECAPRIO AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED, the Board voted to APPROVE RESOLUTION RENAMING THE COLLEGE OF COMPUTING SCIENCES TO THE YING WU COLLEGE OF COMPUTING SCIENCES.

9. BY A MOTION DULY MADE BY MR. KNAPP, SECONDED BY MR. BONE AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED, the Board voted to APPROVE RESOLUTION RENAMING THE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT TO THE MARTIN TUCHMAN SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT.

10. President Bloom deferred his report to the Board. He thanked the Board for an outstanding groundbreaking event today for the Wellness and Events Center, and particularly thanked the efforts of Dr. Dees, Mr. Christ, Dr. Fey, and their staffs. Dr. Bloom also noted that we are exploring creating a Makerspace on campus, using the factory floor of GITC as a dual use facility to provide opportunities for both students and our industry partners to utilize the facilities on a 24/7 basis. Board Member Bone noted that these uses are becoming prevalent in universities throughout the country.

11. Chair DePalma noted that Dr. Bloom was being honored at an event this evening held by the New Jersey Research and Development Council as its 2015 Educator of the Year. The Board commended Dr. Bloom for this achievement. Dr. Bloom left the meeting at this point to attend the event.
12. Dr. Deek gave a report from the University Senate. He remarked that it was an excellent inaugural year, and the work focused both on the well-being of our students as well as the 2020 Vision Strategic Plan.

13. Police Chief Joseph Marswillo gave a Report on Campus Safety. He thanked the Board for its encouragement and support. Regarding the Department of Public Safety, they are seeking accreditation, as well as seeking the establishment of entry level and promotional testing. Departmental goals include implementing the COPPS model (Community Oriented Police & Problem Solving), engaging in community outreach initiatives, employing the use of existing and proposed technology (such as body worn cameras), implementing a Capstone project for roll call management, and engaging in crime suppression and prevention initiatives. As well, they maintain compliance reporting under the Clery Act and VAWA. He thanked the Board and invited questions.

The Board discussed Clery reporting standards, and whether it includes crimes beyond the perimeters of campus. Mr. Christ discussed future plans to focus on recruiting police officers with a commitment to the community. It was noted that recently, our police stopped a carjacking in progress, and Chief Marswillo was commended for his leadership. Chair DePalma noted that our public safety personnel are the unsung heroes of the campus.

14. Dr. Deek updated the Board on Research and Growth Strategies. The decline we previously experienced has reversed and research levels have gone beyond expectations. We are on track to double our research by the year 2020.

15. Board Member Cistaro reported on extension of the NJ NEXT Campaign for an additional $50 million. We are doing very well and continue to grow. He discussed the Gift Report as of September 30th, and it is very positive. We have raised $4.5 million. The number of alumni donors has increased, as well as the amount of donations. Alumni engagement is high, with 40 events planned. As well, we have increased unique attendance (e.g. there are 362 new attendees to events). The number of volunteers has increased, and the Alumni Association is doing well. Chair DePalma noted that tomorrow night is our Celebration Event. Dr. Dees referred to the materials in the Gift Report, noting that we have made aggressive efforts in coordination, and our alumni have responded well.

16. Interim Treasurer Bishof reported on the Operating Statement Year to Date and Schedule of Short Term Investments, set out in the Board book. We had a good summer session enrollment, exceeding our targets. Revenue is at a steady state. Referring to the Board materials, he noted that 74% of our budget is currently committed, and we are generally on target. On the support side, the operating budget is in good shape. Referring to P. 61 of the Board materials (Cash and Cash Equivalents as of September 30, 2015) he noted that we have increased those amounts by almost $30 million from the previous year, crediting grants, reimbursements, additional tuition and fees.

17. Chair DePalma noted the Schedule of Events listed in the Board materials, encouraging all to participate.
18. The Chair announced that the next regularly scheduled Closed Session would be convened on Thursday, February 4, 2016 at 2:00 PM at Eberhardt Hall Alumni Center Board Room, to discuss personnel, real estate, legal and contractual matters. The following resolution was read and approved by all Trustees present:

WHEREAS, there are matters that require consideration by the Board of Trustees that qualify under the Open Public Meetings Act for discussion at a Closed Session;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees shall have a Closed Session to discuss matters involving personnel, real estate, legal and contractual matters on Thursday, February 4, 2016 at 2:00 PM, Eberhardt Hall Board Room.

The next regularly scheduled Public Session of the Board will take place on Thursday, February 4, 2016 at 4:00 PM, Eberhardt Hall Board Room, following the Closed Session of the Board.

19. The public session was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.