

## **Presidents Council Quarterly Virtual Meeting Agenda**

**November 6 , 2025**

1. Opening Remarks – Chancellor Tydings
2. Roll Call – Mary Ann Hammonds

Policy and Guidelines – Russ Deaton

3. Revisions to TBR Policy 5.02.01.10 Faculty Emeritus – Jothany Reed & Robert Denn

Informational – Russ Deaton

4. Guidance Memo: Complying with Tennessee laws regarding anti-discrimination, including DEI issues – Brian Lapps

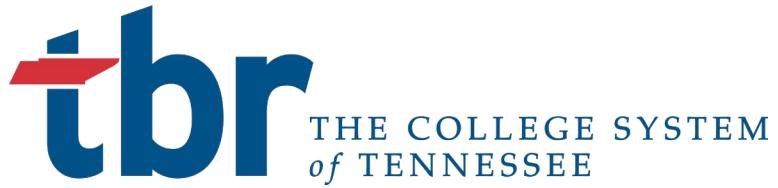
5. Procurement and AI Solutions – Jon Calisi and Brian Lapps

6. Student Success Update – Heidi Leming

- TBR CRED Launch
- Credit Mobility and Transfer Convening
- Inaugural Undergraduate Research & Creative Arts Symposium
- TBR Honor Choir
- Quarterly Accessibility Compliance Report

7. Other Business

8. Adjourn



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**SUBJECT:** Revisions to TBR Policy 5.02.01.10 Faculty Emeritus

**PRESENTER:** Associate Vice Chancellor Robert M. Denn

**LENGTH OF PRESENTATION:** *(5 minutes)*

**ACTION REQUIRED:** Requires Vote

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**Summary:**

Two changes to Policy 5.02.01.10 were proposed and approved by the Academic Affairs Sub-council and the Faculty Sub-council during their October 2025 meetings. Those changes included:

- Clarification of administrative procedures
  - Nomination may go to Board after retirement effective date. (§1.C.)
  - Separate letter for each candidate must be submitted. (§1.D.)

Enclosures include the markup copy and the clean copy as proposed.



## 5.02.01.10 Faculty Emeritus

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Personnel Policies

### Applicable Divisions

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TCATs, Community Colleges

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E. In consultation with the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, the Chancellor will make the recommendation to the Board for approval.

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## Sources

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### Authority

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### History

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