

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## UNIVERSITY OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

### Resolution approving the selection of a new set of Institutional Peers and Aspirational Peers for the University of the Virgin Islands

WHEREAS, over a period of many years, the University of the Virgin Islands (“University”) has used a set of institutional and aspirational peers to make comparisons between the University and other similar institutions on matters pertaining to enrollment, SAT scores, appropriations as percentages of core revenues, and tuition and fees as percentages of core revenues, among others; and

WHEREAS the existing set of institutional and aspirational peers have been in use since June 15, 2013 and has not been revised since that time period; and

WHEREAS in light of the new strategic plan, “Greatness Through Innovation,” the President appointed and charged the Institutional Assessment area to guide the process of identifying and selecting a new set of institutional and aspirational peers by placing an emphasis on institutions that have been recognized for being innovative and have made significant achievement in student retention; and

WHEREAS the recommendations of new institutions from Institutional Assessment were shared with the Cabinet, Faculty, Staff Council and Student Government Association, and additional recommendations were received and a final list was approved by the Cabinet and the President ; and

WHEREAS Institutional Assessment reviewed a list of the 50 Most Innovative Small Colleges 2018 for inclusion; the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) data for the 50 Innovative, Puerto Rican and other schools were reviewed, where criteria for selection included miscellaneous indicators, degree-granting status, highest degree offered, institution size, and full-time first-time undergraduates, among others, SAT/ACT test scores, enrollment, retention rate, graduation rate, core revenues and core expenses, among others; and

WHEREAS the Planning Committee of the Board of Trustees has voted to recommend to the full Board of Trustees that the following lists of new Institutional Peers and Aspirational Peers for the University be approved:

#### **Institutional Peers**

Lincoln University  
Alverno College  
CUNY - Medgar Evers College  
University of the District of Columbia  
Clark Atlanta University  
Ohio State University-Lima Campus  
Savannah State University  
University of Guam  
Alabama A & M University  
Colegio Universitario de San Juan

#### **Aspirational Peers**

Alfred University  
Delaware State University  
Oregon Institute of Technology  
SUNY - Purchase College  
University of Texas - Permian Basin  
University of Hawaii - Hilo  
Allegheny college  
Valparaiso University  
New College of Florida  
The Evergreen State College

### **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS:**

The new list of Institutional Peers and Aspirational Peers as appears below are hereby approved.

**Institutional Peers**

Lincoln University  
Alverno College  
CUNY - Medgar Evers College  
University of the District of Columbia  
Clark Atlanta University  
Ohio State University-Lima Campus  
Savannah State University  
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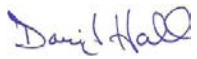
**Aspirational Peers**

Alfred University  
Delaware State University  
Oregon Institute of Technology  
SUNY - Purchase College  
University of Texas - Permian Basin  
University of Hawaii - Hilo  
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The President and Provost are authorized to take such actions as are necessary and proper to implement this resolution.

**CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of a resolution of the Board of Trustees of the University of the Virgin Islands adopted at a meeting on June 22, 2019 as recorded in the minutes of said meeting.



June 22, 2019

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Secretary of the Board

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Date