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al Presentation, Plymouth State University: PSU President Birx updated the E	oard on
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NCLEC-RN test passage rates, the recent winter carnival, and the men's hockey team achieving a top 10 ranking. Presi 18 (,)TJu 0.51a4004 (ra) Hamel Scholars honors

program and increased uses of AI in higher education. He also described UNH's increased efforts to engage with local businesses under Provost Wayne Jones and Senior Vice Provost Marion McCord, and work by the UNH marketing team that is leading to increased engagement among prospective students.

Recess Session 1: At 9:04 am, Acting Chair Burnett recessed the Board until after the conclusion of the Educational Excellence Committee meeting.

Return to Order Session 2:

NHTI administrators to gauge the feasibility of a move. She then updated the Board on the status of pending legislation and the kickoff of a grassroots campaign intended to raise awareness of the System's impact in the state. She also noted that the possibility of three-year degrees, which were brought up during the previous day's session,

Investment and Capital Planning Committee Report and Related Board Actions: Committee Chair Rutman presented the report of the committee's March 7, 2024 meeting. The Chair noted that the investment portfolio results have been positive and better than budgeted. The Chair also praised the outside CIO model that the System has adopted. The committee also received first-look reports on Samuel Read renovation project at PSU, the Elliot Center at KSC, a proposed NOAA facility to be built at the UNH site known as "The Edge", and the Jackson Estuary project at UNH. Those projects will return to the committee for full approval at a future meeting. The Committee approved the Carle Hall project at KSC and the Women's Locker Room at UNH. CAO Provencher then updated the Board on the proposed capital budget request the System plans to make to the State. The request is due by April 12, and the System is asking that the State follow the previous model of tentatively approving the budget for a six-year period.

Following the report, the Board took the following actions upon recommendation of the committee:

State Capital Appropriation Request: By motion made by Trustee Burnett and seconded by Trustee Han-3.9 ().5 (e)-3.9 ()TJO P[T3.2 (A)TJ-0.01 T e04 T6v8MCID 3 > 3.9 (rd)TJ-0.01 Tw 7.573 0 Td[compared to the compared to the

employees. Committee Chair Pilot further noted that the presentations demonstrated improvement in the System's financial operations.

Nomination Committee Report: Committee Chair Green noted that the committee had met on March 7 and would share a proposed slate of Board officer nominees for GY 25 in the coming weeks. The Chair also asked trustees to share potential candidates for upcoming Board of Trustee openings that could be forwarded to the Governor's office for consideration.

Governance Committee Report: Committee Chair Ardinger presented the report of the committee's March 7, 2024 meeting. The committee heard an update on the status of the annual conflict of interest disclosure process and encouraged trustees to reflect on whether they have dual interests that 0

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