

IV. Remarks from President Kitts

President Kitts' remarks focused on enrollment data for the Fall 2019 semester, changes to UNA's Board of Trustees, and recent discussions regarding UNA's need for its own football stadium.

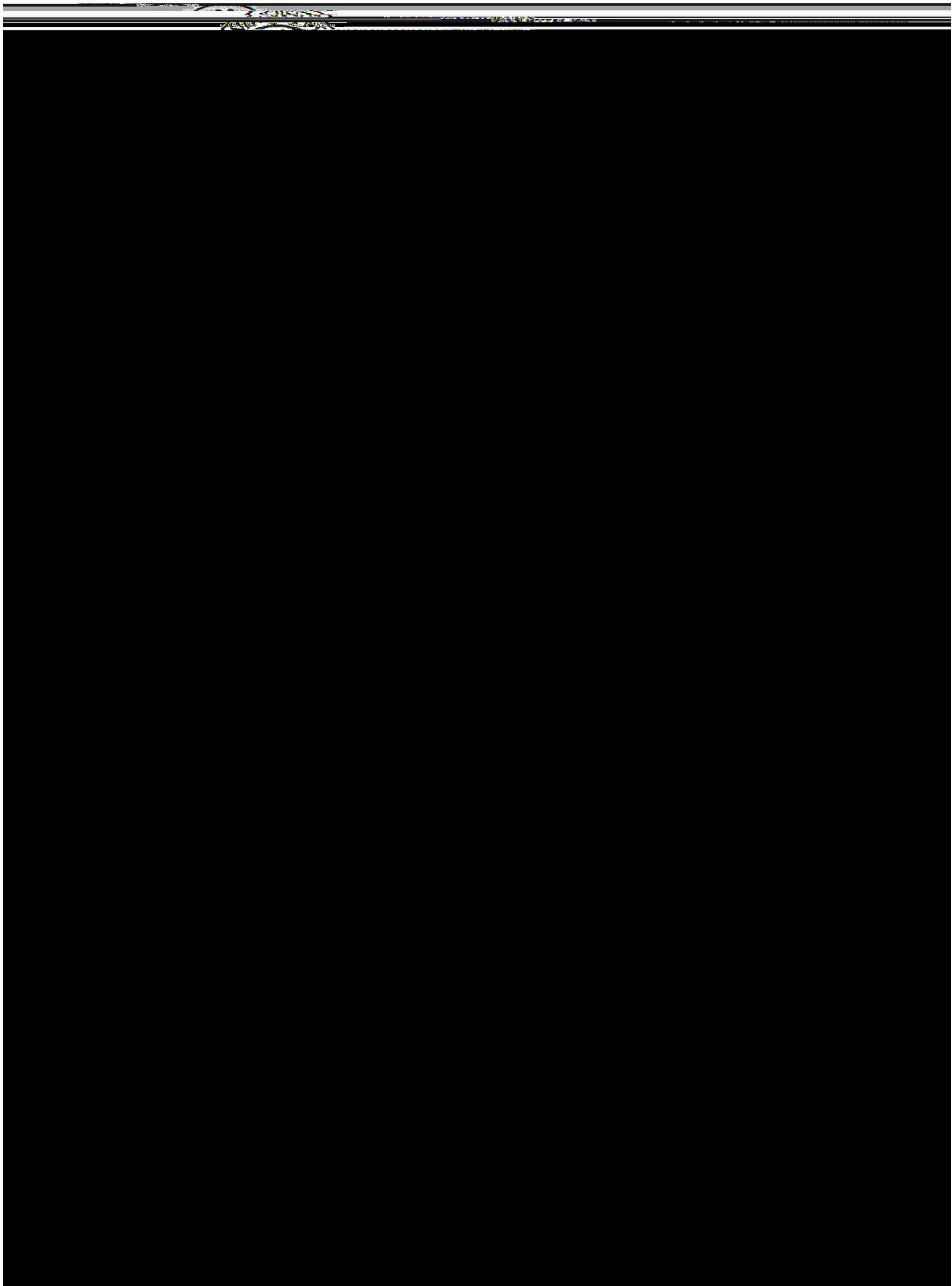
Enrollment: Enrollment appears up 3.87% in student headcount (approximately 300 more students) compared to last year at this same time. A purge of non-paying students will take place on Sept. 5th so enrollments will decrease somewhat but still remain in positive territory. Following that, the reporting of first and second 8-week sessions between now and census on October 31st will reinforce UNA's positive growth. Reports from other Alabama institutions indicate that we are among a handful of universities experiencing a significant enrollment increase. UNA's final enrollment for Fall 2019, which will reflect an increase in freshmen and both undergraduate and graduate students, should be a record (somewhere between 7,900 and 8,000 students).

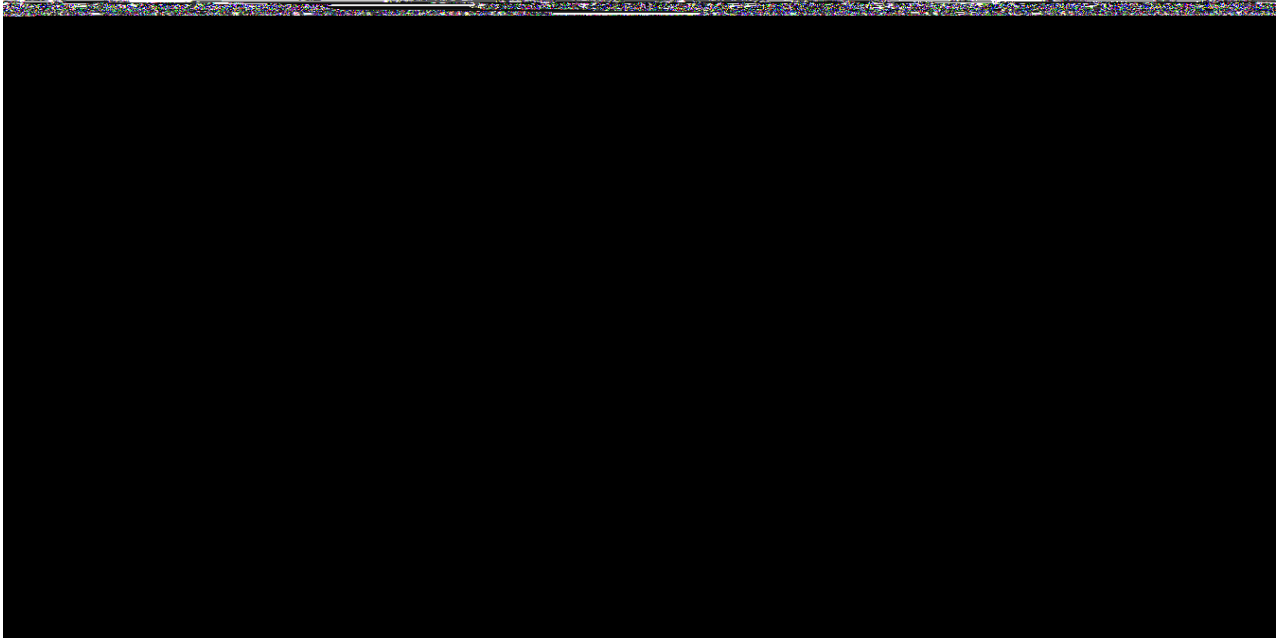
Board of Trustees: In June, UNA added an eleventh appointed seat to its governing board with the appointment of Dr. Wendell Gunn. Dr. Gunn is a welcome addition to our board in every way, and it continues to be important for UNA that the board closely resembles the demographics of our student population and alumni base. President Kitts added that work is still needed to improve gender diversity and geographic diversity on the board.

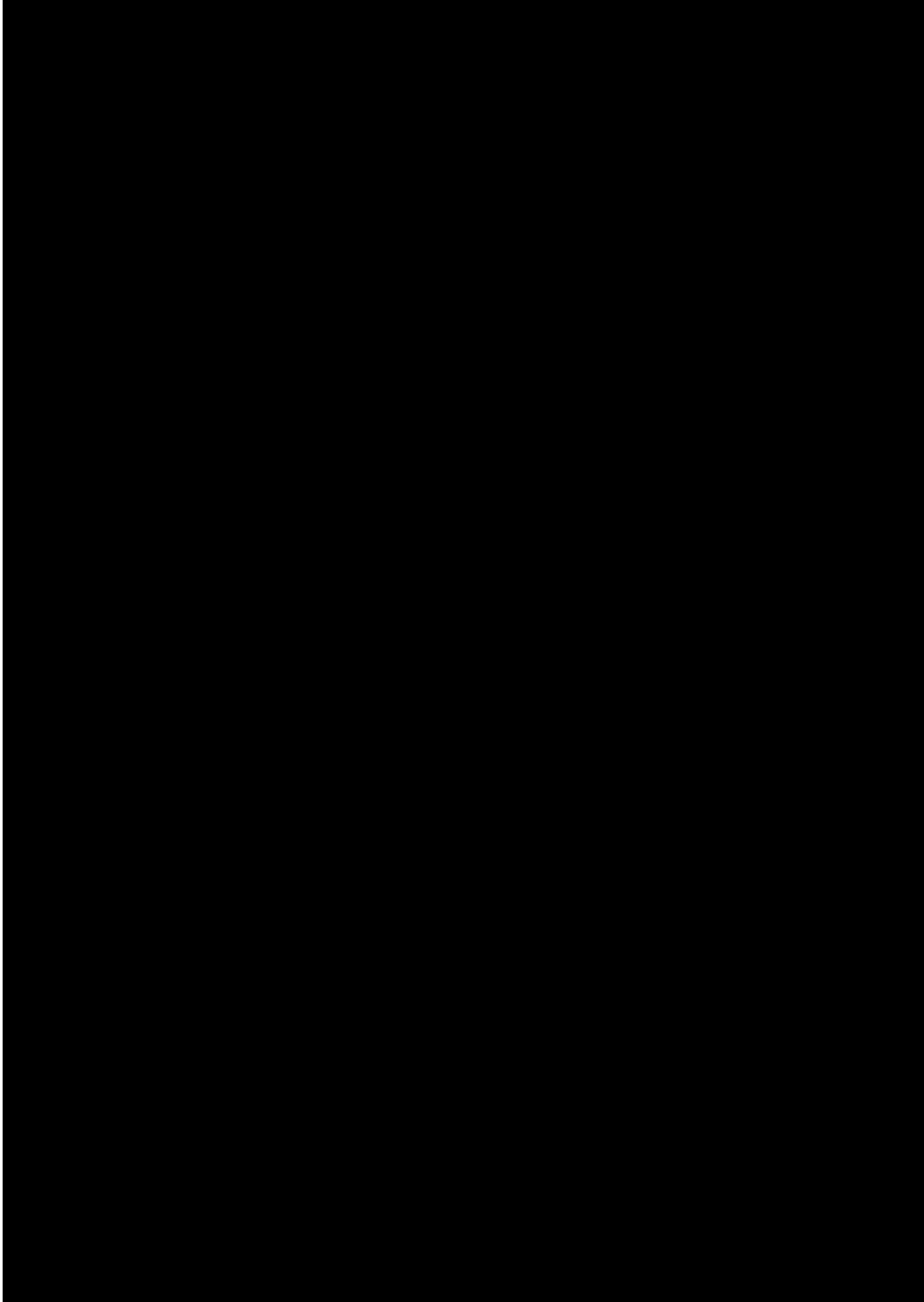
Stadium: Through SGA, our students are an important part of the shared governance system at the University. The current talk about a stadium is occurring because the students have asked us to make this a matter of administrative concern. The University Stadium Workgroup was empaneled in response to a direct request from SGA last November. That group finished its work over the summer and submitted a report which is now available on the UNA website. President Kitts prepared and made public a response to that report which has been shared through local media outlets. President Kitts is open to receiving questions regarding this issue.

V. Remarks from VPAA/Provost Alexander:

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Appendix B

