Clemson University Clemson, South Carolina

MINUTES

of the meeting of

THE CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Held in the Board Room, Sikes Hall

July 21, 1979

The Board convened at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Paul W. McAlister, Chairman, presiding; Louis P. Batson, Jr., Robert R. Coker, T. Kenneth Cribb, W. G. DesChamps, Jr., William N. Geiger, Jr., Lewis F. Holmes, Thomas B. McTeer, Jr., Paul Quattlebaum, James C. Self, D. Leslie Tindal and James M. Waddell, Jr.

Others present were: Bill L. Atchley, Melvin E. Barnette, Walter T. Cox, Victor Hurst, Stanley G. Nicholas, E. N. Tyndall, John L. Allen (Acting Director, University Relations), Horace W. Fleming, Jr., Robert L. Fuzy, F. Reeves Gressette, Billy G. Rogers, Wilson C. Wearn, Ben W. Anderson and Joseph B. McDevitt, Secretary.

Item 1. Minutes

The minutes of the meetings of February 24, 1979 and April 21, 1979, heretofore submitted by mail to all members of the Board of Trustees, were approved as submitted.

Item 2. Name Change from Truck Experiment Station to Coastal Experiment Station

<u>Statement</u>: The South Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station has requested permission to change the name of its Charleston branch, now known as the "Truck Experiment Station," to "Coastal Experiment Station."

When this branch opened in 1932, vegetable crops were widely known as "truck" crops, as they were brought into urban areas from outlying farms by truck. Today, this historical significance is unknown to most lay people and causes confusion.

New signs will be erected at the Charleston branch in coming months and this is an appropriate time to consider changing the name to one which will locate the branch station geographically in the minds of the public. This change would be in keeping with the names of the other branches located away from the Clemson area.

The other branches are the Sandhill, Pee Dee and Edisto Stations, the names of which reflect the areas of the state they serve. The former Coast Station, located at Summerville, is being phased out this year, so there should be no conflict between that name and the one proposed for the Charleston station.

The research staff at the Charleston branch will continue to emphasize vegetable crops in its overall program. The proposed name change is intended to clear up any misunderstanding of the station's purpose. Approval will benefit the public immage of the station.

Recommendation: That the proposed change in name of the Charleston branch of the South Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station from the "Truck Experiment Station" to the "Coastal Experiment Station" be approved.

Board Action: Approved.

Item 3. Request by Clemson United Methodist Church for .173 Acre to Straighten Boundary Line of Methodist Parsonage Lot

Statement: The Clemson United Methodist Church has requested that the University deed to it approximately .173 acre of land adjoining the Methodist parsonage located at 203 Martin Street. The purpose of this request is to straighten out the property line of the Methodist parsonage in relation to Martin Street. For years the resident pastor has been keeping the grass mowed on the property the Church seeks to acquire from the University. The Church has indicated a willingness to pay fair market value for this land.

Recommendation: That the request of the Clemson United Methodist Church for .173 acre of land be granted and the Administration be authorized to have the land appraised and the legal documents prepared to carry out this transaction.

Board Action: Approved.

Item 4. City of Clemson Sewer Easement Request -- Abel Heights Area

<u>Statement</u>: The City of Clemson has requested a right-of-way for a sewer line across University property located in the Abel Heights area in the City of Clemson. The right-of-way would originally be 25 feet in width, but would revert to ten (10) feet in width after the completion of the laying and construction of the sewer line. It would be approximately 1559 feet in length. The sewer line

would have manholes; however, upon completion of construction of the pipeline and manholes, the premises would, when possible, be restored to the condition which existed prior to the initiation of construction. The City of Clemson would also take other actions to protect the interest of Clemson University as defined in a Letter of Agreement between Clemson University and the City of Clemson which would be attached to and made a part of the right-of-way agreement. The property is under the cognizance of the Forestry Department which interposes no objection.

Recommendation: That the right-of-way requested by the City of Clemson be granted upon the terms and conditions as recommended by the Land Utilization Committee of the Department of Forestry.

Board Action: Approved.

Item 5. Sloan S. Sherrill Bequest

Statement: Sloan S. Sherrill of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, who died on December 20, 1973 created a trust of his residuary estate which was to continue for the lifetime of Mrs. Sherrill. Mrs. Sherrill died on August 8, 1978. A 35% remainder interest in the residuary trust was bequeathed to the Trustees of Clemson University. It is specifically provided that 20% of the residuary trust is to be used for the best interest of the University. He stated in his Will:

"It is my intention that the appropriate use and application of this gift for the best interest of Clemson University be determined by the Trustees of said University in their sole and complete discretion."

The remaining 15% interest in the Trust is to be held in trust as a continuing student loan fund, to be known as the "Henry Thomas Stroud Educational Loan Fund" to provide financial aid to worthy students of Clemson University whose circumstances render such assistance necessary and whose aptitude and progress justify the grant of such assistance. Mr. Sherrill further provided, in part, that "in no case shall the interest on such loans exceed four percent (4%) per annum." Current experience with the University's interest-required loan funds reflects that they are dormant due to the ready availability of other more favorable sources of financial aid, such as grants and subsidized loans. The broad language quoted above from Mr. Sherrill's Will will permit loans at lesser interest rates than four percent and, even interest-free loans, if such loans are necessary to avoid dormancy and ensure the active utilization of the loan fund.

Recommendation: (A) That the 20% portion of the residuary trust be transferred to the Clemson University Foundation to be held and invested in such manner that the principal and interest remain available for such use as the Board of Trustees may direct in the

future. (B) That the 15% interest in the Trust be held by the University as a continuing student loan fund to be known as the "Henry Thomas Stroud Educational Loan Fund" to be administered in accordance with the terms of Mr. Sherrill's Will, such loans to be made on an interest-free basis if, in the judgment of the Financial Aid Officer, such loans are necessary to ensure the active utilization of the loan fund.

Board Action: Approved.

Item 6. Proposed High-Rise Motel

Statement: The Restaurant Corporation of Clemson, of which Bill Pridemore is President and Dr. B. R. Skelton is Secretary-Treasurer, has acquired property to the north of University property in the vicinity of the Alumni Center. The Corporation has requested the City Council of Clemson to rezone the property from its present R-4 (Apartments) to C (Commercial) and to expand the categories of permissive uses of commercial property to include a category of "high-rise motel."

Dr. Skelton has stated publicly that the property will, in its present zoning status, permit the construction of sixty-one (61) apartments. The high-rise motel would have 125 rooms. Either development of the property would require access of vehicular traffic to Oak Terrace and Daniel Drive, both of which are owned by the University. In addition, between the property line of The Corporation's property and the edge of Oak Terrace-Daniel Drive, there is a narrow strip of land owned by the University. Obviously, access to The Corporation's property would require a right of ingress and egress across University land.

For many years, the three (3) private residences located on the land acquired by The Corporation have had driveway access across University land to Oak Terrace-Daniel Drive. These rights-of-way were permitted by the University for access to the single-family residences. From a legal standpoint, it is questionable that such rights-of-way passed to the new owners when they acquired the land, unless they intend to build single-family residences and continue to use the rights-of-way for access to such residences.

The substantial increase in vehicular traffic, regardless of whether the property is developed as apartments or as a high-rise motel, will aggravate the already-existing safety problem on Highway 93. Of even more concern is the fact that the easiest access to the property developed as a motel would be via Daniel Drive rather than Highway 93. Daniel Drive has approximately 200 parking spaces for coeds housed in the Clemson House, for faculty and staff occupants of University Housing, and for patrons of the Alumni Center. These parking spaces could not be safely used if the Daniel Drive traffic flow were substantially increased.

The Restaurant Corporation has addressed correspondence to the Administration and has provided copies to all members of the Board of Trustees. It requests the support of the Board in the development of the property for use as a high-rise motel. On the other hand, if the Board takes no position with respect to the motel, The Corporation requests that the Board make known its position with respect to the granting of ingress and egress across University property.

Recommendation: (1) That the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to cooperate with the City of Clemson and with The Restaurant Corporation provided that a satisfactory solution is found to provide for the safety of the pedestrian traffic. (2) That the Board of Trustees recommend that the City of Clemson, The Restaurant Corporation, the University and the State Highway Department cooperate in resolving the safety problem, and to this end, the Board of Trustees suggest that the feasibility be determined of re-routing State Highway 93 in such manner that it will by-pass the University Campus.

Board Action: Approved.

Item 7. University Golf Course

Statement: At the meeting of the Development Committee of the Board of Trustees on July 20, 1979, it was unanimously agreed that the University, through the efforts of the Development Office, should pursue as quickly as possible a plan to seek gifts from private sources to finance the construction of the proposed eighteen-hole golf course plus construction of a suitable clubhouse. It was stressed in this approval that all funds must be received from private sources.

Recommendation: That the Board of Trustees adopt the recommendation of the Development Committee.

Board Action: Adopted.

Item 8. Faculty Salaries

Statement: The heart of a university is its faculty. The future of Clemson University in developing further its programs of excellence in teaching, research, and public service will depend upon maintaining a dedicated, hard-working faculty who are sufficiently remunerated for their efforts. A recent survey conducted by Clemson University reveals that certain academic disciplines and certain members of our faculty are paid at less than satisfactory levels when compared to faculty in other Southeastern institutions. Continued failure to support these areas and persons deserving of such support will cause us to lose good faculty and also fail to attract good faculty.

We must reward those who are deserving in a monetary manner that will continue to attract to Clemson and keep at Clemson these deserving men and women. In order to know how our faculty salaries compare with those of similar institutions in the Southeast, we must know the ranges of faculty salaries, by rank and discipline, of the faculty employed by those other institutions.

Recommendation: That the Board of Trustees reaffirm its commitment to academic excellence at Clemson; that the Board authorize the Administration to identify those specific academic disciplines and faculty ranks which require additional funding for salary adjustments; that the amount of funding required be determined; that such an amount be requested in the University's 1980-81 appropriations request to the State Legislature; and that the Board formally request the consideration and support of the State Budget and Control Board and the State Legislature in providing such special, additional funding as will be required to maintain a faculty of prominence and excellence at Clemson University.

Board Action: Approved.

Item 9. Ratification of Permanent Improvement Projects

<u>Statement</u>: The following projects for permanent improvement to the campus of Clemson University have been submitted to the Commission on Higher Education:

PROJECTS WITH APPROVED PLANNING FUNDS FOR 1979

Educational and General

Public Service

1.Continuing Education Center 2.Renovation of Brackett Hall-		1.Seed Processing Storage Facilities	\$457,000
Phase I		2.Swine Facility	229,600
TOTAL	\$17,805,000		\$686,600

PROJECT PRIORITIES FOR 1980-81

Educational and General		Public Service
1.Expansion of Chill Water System	\$ 1,000,000	1.Pesticide Storage Building \$ 52,000 2.Finish Basement of Forest 727,000
2.Expansion of Electrical Distribution System	750,000	and Recreation Resources Building
3.Computer Resources Center	5,300,000	3.Greenhouses for Sandhill and 88,000
4.Energy Research Building-	11,300,000	Truck Stations
Phase One		4.Replacement of Pendleton 188,000
5.Student Recreation and Intra-	375,000	Road Insectary

mural Athletic Facilities 6.Modify Air-Conditioning in the Poole Agricultural Center	425,000	5.Laboratory for HobcawBarony6.Headquarters andLaboratory Building at	765,000
7.Animal Surgery and Post- Operative Facilities	1,000,000	Edisto Station	2,300,000
8.Greenhouse and Headhouse for Forestry	200,000	TOTAL	\$4,120,000
Renovation of Engineering Research Facilities	100,000		
TOTAL	\$20,450,000		

Recommendation: That the Board of Trustees ratify the submission by the Administration of the permanent improvement projects.

Board Action: Confirmed and ratified.

Item 10. Financing of Stadium Expansion

Statement: The Enlargement and Improvements to Memorial Stadium-Phase II Project has experienced substantial cost overruns resulting from unforeseen soil and foundation problems and from structural and architectural changes deemed advisable. Such cost overruns will result in the project budget exceeding the total of the \$4.25 million proceeds from Stadium Bonds plus excess reserves for the retirement of these bonds by an amount that cannot be finalized until the completion of the project.

Recommendation: That in the process of finalizing the additional costs incurred in the stadium expansion project, the Board authorizes the Chairman to work with the President in arranging the necessary financing.

Board Action: Approved.

Item 11. Student Fees

Statement and Recommendation: Based on information currently available, during 1979-80 Clemson University must absorb approximately \$1,041,000 in mandated base pay increases, merit increases, and longevity increases together with associated employee fringe benefits. In addition, effects of inflation will add substantial costs for the same amounts of items. In order to provide revenues required to cover these costs, the Administration recommends an increase in the full-time undergraduate University Fee beginning with the Fall Semester 1979-80 in the amounts of \$67 per semester for South Carolina residents and \$144 per semester for nonresidents with a corresponding proportionate increase in part-time and auditing fees, and a proportionate increase in fees for graduate assistants, and for full-time faculty and staff members in line with the established practice of charging them one-half (1/2) of the per semester hour fees established for part-time South Carolina resident students. The following table shows the recommended fees:

Full-Time Student

	S. C. Resident	Non-Resident
Matriculation Fee (non-refundable) Tuition University Fee Medical Fee	\$ 5.00 75.00 357.00 55.00	\$ 5.00 200.00 784.00 55.00
	\$492.00	\$1,044.00

Part-Time Student

	S. C. Resident	Non-Resident
Matriculation Fee (non-refundable) Tuition (per semester hour) University Fee (per semester hour)	\$ 5.00 6.00 28.00	\$ 5.00 16.00 62.00
	\$39.00	\$83.00

Charges for Auditing

	S. C. Resident	Non-Resident
Tuition (per semester hour) University Fee (per semester hour)	\$ 3.00 <u>14.00</u>	\$ 8.00 31.00
	\$17.00	\$39.00

Graduate Assistants and Staff

Matriculation Fee (non-refundable) \$ 5.00 Tuition (per semester hour) \$ 3.00 University Fee (per semester hour) \$14.00

Board Action: Approved.

Item 12. Resolution: Dr. William Wright Bryan

WHEREAS, one of the hallmarks of a truly great University is the quality of its library resources, not only as reflected in the volumes which occupy the shelves but also in other scholarly papers and materials; and

WHEREAS, Clemson University, through its faculty, administration, and Board of Trustees, has recognized the supreme importance of a library and library facilities in the educational program of the institution by the construction, dedication, and expansion of the Robert Muldrow Cooper Library; and

WHEREAS, the said Library should serve as a depository not only of books and materials essential to realizing the educational

goals of Clemson University, but as a permanent repository for the letters, papers, and other memorabilia of South Carolina's illustrious citizens, said documents serving to remind our young people of their great heritage and arouse in them the desire to emulate that heritage; and

WHEREAS, Dr. William Wright Bryan, a distinguished journalist and son of Clemson from the Class of 1926, who began newspaper work as editor of the student newspaper, The Tiger, and later joined The Atlanta Journal, serving as reporter, city editor, managing editor, associate editor, and as editor during his 26 years with The Journal; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bryan, who as a war correspondent in World War II for The Atlanta Journal and the National Broadcasting Company, broadcast the first, live American radio account of the Normandy invasion on D-Day, June 1944, was later captured and held prisoner of war by the Germans, and was subsequently honored with the Medal of Freedom from General Eisenhower for his services as a correspondent; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bryan further served the journalistic profession as editor of the Cleveland Plain Dealer for nine years until 1963 when he became Vice President for Development at Clemson University; and during his tenure as chief development officer, the University added 17 major buildings to its physical facilities at a cost of almost \$30 million; and

WHEREAS, during his long and fruitful careers--both as a journalist and newspaper executive, and later as an invaluable member of the University administration--he made historical and significant contributions to society and these achievements have brought great credit to him and his alma mater; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bryan has compiled numerous notes and papers pertinent to the events of his remarkable life, including his most recent endeavor of researching and writing a history of Clemson University which will be published this year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Clemson University invites and respectfully urges Dr. William Wright Bryan to make available to Clemson University those letters, papers, notes and other memorabilia which would complement and enrich the manuscript collections of the University that they may be preserved and protected for posterity.

Board Action: Adopted.

Item 13. Information Reports

Information Reports were received from the President of the Student Body, President of the Faculty Senate, President of IPTAY, President of Clemson University Alumni Association, and President of Clemson University Foundation.

Item 14. Recess for Executive Session

There being no further public business, the meeting of the Board was recessed at $10:15\,$ AM and the Board went into Executive Session upon unanimous vote of the twelve members present for the purpose of electing a Chairman of the Board as provided in the By-Laws.

Item 15. Public Meeting Resumed

The meeting was reopened to the public at 11:45 AM and the announcement was made that the Board, in Executive Session, has reelected Mr. Paul W. McAlister for a third term as Chairman.

Item 16. 1979 Board of Visitors

The dates of November 4, 5 and 6, 1979 were approved for the Board of Visitors.

Item 17. 1980 Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule

January 25-26, 1980, were selected for the January 1980 Board meeting.

Item 18. Statutory Roll Call Vote

Resolution: RESOLVED, that all measures and recommendations made at this, the July 21, 1979 meeting, which according to the By-Laws require a roll call vote of nine or more members, be hereby adopted and confirmed, and that the Vice President for Business and Finance be authorized to issue his checks for all expenditures authorized at this meeting.

Board Action: The resolution was adopted with eleven members present voting "Aye."

Item 19, Adjournment

There being no further public business, the meeting of the Board was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph B. McDevitt

Secretary of the Board of Trustees