

MINUTES  
OF THE MEETING OF  
THE CLEMSON UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
HOLMES BALLROOM, CLEMSON HOUSE  
CLEMSON, SOUTH CAROLINA  
FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 1992

After notification as required by the Freedom of Information Act, the Chairman called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M. with the following members present: Bill Amick, presiding; Louis P. Batson, Jr., J. J. Britton, W. G. DesChamps, Harold D. Kingsmore, Louis Lynn, Thomas B. McTeer, Philip Prince, Joseph Swann, Allen Wood, Fletcher Derrick, D. Leslie Tindal, James C. Self and Hugh J. Clausen, Secretary

Members of the Administration Present: President Lennon, Jay Gogue, David Larson, Nick Lomax, Charles Jennett, Gary Ransdell, Milton Wise and Ben Anderson

Others Present: Almeda Jacks, Jack McKenzie, Roger Patterson, Bob Gilliland, Francis Canavan, Mark Wright, Michael Hughey, Richard Cowden, Cathy Sams, Leah Garrett, Robin DeLoach, and Stassen Thompson

Media Present: Jenny Munro, Greenville News; and Michelle Melton, Anderson Independent

The minutes of the January 17, 1992 meeting, the January 23, 1992 teleconference and the February 25, 1992 teleconference were approved.

The Secretary announced that the dates for future Board meetings are July 10, 1992 and September 11, 1992. He stated that proposed dates for 1993 Board meetings will be presented at the annual meeting of the Board in July.

Mr. Prince stated that the Student Affairs Committee did not have any items to report to the Board. He introduced Mr. Lomax. Mr. Lomax expressed appreciation for the opportunity to assume the role of V. P for Administration and Secretary of the Board of Trustees when Hugh Clausen retires on June 30, 1992. He reminded the Board that a reception will be held on June 26, 1992 to honor Hugh and Betty Clausen.

Mr. Lomax introduced Almeda Jacks, who will become the Vice President for Student Affairs on July 1, 1992. Mr. Amick

congratulated both Mr. Lomax and Mrs. Jacks. He stated that Mrs. Jacks will be the first female vice president at Clemson University.

Mrs. Jacks introduced Jason Elliott who has been elected as the new Student Body President for 1992-93.

Mr. Elliott reported on some of Student Government's accomplishments for the past year as follows: teacher evaluation surveys, work with the City of Clemson and University administrators on the transit system, hosted a leadership conference for high school seniors, and met with other college and university student leaders and State legislators regarding funding for higher education. He stated that some of the goals for 1992-93 are to expand the use of the tiger stripe system, work to keep fees at the rate of inflation, faculty/student ratio, State funding for higher education, support for the University's strategic plan and to educate students about the new Student Activity Center.

Dr. Lynn asked Dr. Wise to present the Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee report. Dr. Wise thanked Mr. Self and the Self Foundation for the equipment at the Multi-User Biotechnology Facility which was donated to the University. Dr. Wise reported that the Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee received the following information at its meeting on March 3, 1992: ANR Strategic Plan, updates on Academic Affairs programs, Regulatory and Public Service Programs, Livestock Poultry Health Programs and the PSA budget. Videotapes were viewed on the ANR Network and the programs being conducted at TIWET.

Mr. Kingsmore asked General Clausen to present an action item from the Audit Committee. General Clausen stated that the Committee recommended that the University's Umbrella Insurance (Directors and Officers) be reviewed on an annual basis by the Audit Committee of the Board. The Audit Committee, in turn, will inform the full Board on recommendations. Mr. Kingsmore moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. Batson seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

General Clausen presented the quarterly audit report which included audits of TIWET, the YMCA and the Custodial Services Department of Facilities Maintenance and Operations. He stated that management in all areas have reasonably addressed the findings and are working to resolve the problems.

Mr. McTeer presented the Budget and Finance Committee report.

(1) John Newton presented a revised Clemson University Investment Policy (Attachment A). Mr. McTeer moved that the revised Investment Policy be approved, Mr. Prince seconded and the vote was unanimous.

(2) John Newton presented a Resolution on I.R.S. Bond Reimbursement Regulations (Attachment B). Mr. McTeer announced that the Budget and Finance Committee had approved this resolution by mail ballot. He asked for a motion from the Budget and Finance Committee that the mail ballot action be ratified. Mr. Swann so moved, Mr. Kingsmore seconded and the Budget and Finance Committee approved the mail ballot. Mr. McTeer then moved that the full Board approve the Resolution. Mr. Wood seconded and the vote was unanimous.

(3) Roger Patterson presented a budget update (Attachment C).

(4) Mark Wright gave a facilities progress report (Attachment D). He noted that Vickery Hall was not included in the report since it is now complete and being highly utilized by students.

Dr. Britton presented the report for the Educational Policy Committee. He stated that there were no action items presented at the committee meeting on March 3, 1992. Reports received by the committee at that time included the following: (1) Dr. Jerry Reel announced that the Commission on Higher Education reviews all programs at State universities periodically. The reviews are performed by a team of out-of-state educators chosen by CHE and are funded by the State Legislature. The departments of history, political science, sociology and the Strom Thurmond Institute were recently reviewed and all received very high marks. (2) Dr. Reel also announced to the committee that the Governor has signed into effect the "English Fluency in Higher Education Act," which will ensure that faculty members whose second language is English are proficient enough to be understood by their students. (3) The Committee learned that reaffirmation of accreditation for Clemson University was received from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in December, 1991. Clemson University's accreditation procedure will be used as a model for all of the colleges and universities which are reviewed by SACS.

Dr. Jennett provided updates on three new academic programs that became effective in January 1992. They are (1) B.S. in Health Science, (2) M.S. and Ph.D. in Environmental Toxicology and (3) Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction.

Dr. Jay Gogue informed the Board that graduate enrollment has risen from 2,000 in 1986 to over 4,000 during the Fall 1991 semester. He introduced the new President of the Graduate Student Association, Frank Bartek.

Mr. Bartek stated that even though the Graduate Student Association has different concerns from the Undergraduate Student Government, one of his goals for the coming year is to work more closely with that group for the common good of all University students. He reported that the GSA will host the Southeastern Regional Conference of the Association for Professional Graduate Students.

The Secretary presented the following mail ballot actions for ratification:

Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee and Full Board

Regulations for Assembly Point Facility - February 14, 1992 (ANR) and February 19, 1992 (Full Board). Both the ANR Committee and the full Board approved the regulations for establishment of an Assembly Point Facility for Slaughter Only under the Equine Infectious Anemia Law. General Clausen recommended that both of these mail ballots be ratified. Dr. Lynn so moved, Dr. Britton seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Full Board

Fike Recreation Center Renovations - January 10, 1992. Approval was given to award a construction contract to Greenbrier Construction Company of Greenville, SC in the amount of \$413,760.00.

Lee Hall Renovations - January 28, 1992. The Board approved awarding a construction contract to Greenbrier Construction Company, Inc. of Greenville, SC in the amount of \$783,000.00. (General Clausen pointed out that the contract was awarded only in the base bid amount of \$696,000.00.)

Brackett Hall Asbestos Abatement and Renovations, Phase II - February 13, 1992. The Board approved awarding a Change Order to Sherman Construction Company, Inc. of Greenville, SC in the amount of \$2,188,305.56.

Honorary Degree Candidates for May, 1992 Commencement - March 12, 1992. Approval was given to award honorary degrees to Brigadier General (P) Paul Eugene Blackwell and Mr. Charles W. Coker.

The Secretary recommended ratification of all of the mail ballot actions previously approved by the Board. Mr. Kingsmore moved that the mail ballots be ratified, Mr. Wood seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Amick called on President Lennon to address the Board. President Lennon told the Board that he and the other Presidents of state and private colleges and universities are working with business associates to promote higher education in the State. He presented the strategic plan to the Palmetto Business Forum recently. That group understood the plan and enthusiastically supports its concept.

The President stated that a major media announcement since the last meeting of the Board was the development of a National Textile Center in cooperation with Georgia Tech, Auburn and NC State. Senator Hollings has pledged support to keep the project on track in Congress.

The Governor visited the campus for the dedication of the Emerging Technology Center. This endeavor displays Clemson University's commitment to move ideas and products to a state of reality. The Center receives support from a lot of directions and houses both CU's activities and some State functions in these areas as well.

The President reported that the University's Strategic Plan and Total Quality Management program are continuing to thrive and expand throughout the University.

President Lennon stated that during a time when university enrollments are declining throughout the nation, Clemson University has not experienced any decline in enrollment. The present undergraduate enrollment is approximately 13,000. Applications for the 1992-93 academic year are up 15% over this same time last year.


The Chairman stated that a proposal has been received from the Richland County Library Board of Trustees for a parcel of University owned land at the Sandhill Research Center. Since all of the Trustees are not aware of this proposal, he suggested that the Board go into executive session to discuss the matter. Dr. Lynn moved that the Board go into executive session, Mr. Wood seconded and the vote was unanimous. The Chairman announced that no decisions would be made nor any votes taken while in executive session. The sole purpose for the executive session is to receive information on the proposal from the Richland County Library Board of Trustees. The Board went into executive session at 2:50 P.M.

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The Board reconvened in open session at 3:35 P.M. The Chairman announced that the Board received information concerning the proposal by the Richland County Library Board of Trustees, and it was the view of the Board that there was not sufficient information upon which a decision could be made. He asked the Administration to gather all needed information and present it to the Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee of the Board to examine and that committee will then make a recommendation to the full Board.

Mr. Prince moved that the Board adjourn. Mr. Wood seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,



Manning N. Lomax  
Secretary of the  
Board of Trustees