Clemson University Clemson, South Carolina

MINUTES

TELEPHONIC MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES Board Room, 201 Sikes Hall, Clemson, SC Thursday, April 14, 1994

After notification as required by the Freedom of Information Act, the Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. with the following members present: Bill Amick, <u>presiding</u>; Louis P. Batson, J. J. Britton, W. G. DesChamps, Lawrence Gressette, Louis Lynn, Patricia McAbee, Thomas McTeer, Buck Mickel, Philip Prince, Joe Swann, Allen Wood, Paul Quattlebaum, James Self, Leslie Tindal and Manning N. Lomax, <u>Secretary</u>

Others Present: Max Lennon, Jay Gogue, Almeda Jacks, Charles Jennett, Milton Wise, Wayne Bennett and Cathy Sams

Media present: Bill Robinson, The State

Item 1. Task Force Report on Enhancing the Mission-oriented Research Capacity of Clemson University

<u>Statement:</u> President Lennon discussed the plan for reorganization of the Agriculture and Natural Resources and University Research Divisions. The plan establishes a Universitywide research structure that governs both agricultural and non-agricultural activities. The merger will eliminate one vice president's position when the present Vice President for Agriculture and Natural Resources retires in June. Jay Gogue, currently Vice President for Research, will assume additional responsibilities for agriculture and natural resources on an interim basis beginning July 1, 1994. The administrative realignment grew out of recommendations by an 18-member task force that studied and initiated internal and external debate on the governance issue.

<u>Action</u>: Dr. Louis Lynn made a motion to approve the reorganizational plan and Mr. Prince seconded the motion. After discussion and some modification, the Trustees voted unanimously to approve the reorganization. A copy of the approved organizational chart is at Attachment 1. Trustee Patricia McAbee expressed appreciation to the members of the task force for their hard work and for their efforts to obtain input from a broad cross section of constituents across the State. She stated that although the Trustees made some modifications, they would not have had a starting point without the efforts of the task force. Chairman Amick instructed the Secretary of the Board to send a letter of appreciation to the task force.

Item 2. Adjournment

<u>Statement:</u> Mr. DesChamps made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Batson seconded and the vote was unanimous. The Board adjourned at 9:20 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Manning N. Lomax Secretary of the

Board of Trustees