

Clemson University
Clemson, South Carolina

MINUTES
**MEETING OF THE
CLEMSON UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Signers' Ballroom
Mills House Hotel
Charleston, South Carolina
July 15, 2011
10:30 a.m.

Call to Order

After notification as required by the Freedom of Information Act, Trustee Wilkins, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:44 a.m. with the following present:

Trustees: David Wilkins, *Chairman, presiding*; Bill Amick, Bill Hendrix, Ronald Lee, Louis Lynn, Patti McAbee, Nicky McCarter, Smyth McKissick, Tom McTeer, Bob Peeler, Bill Smith, Joe Swann, and Kim Wilkerson

Trustees Emeriti: J.J. Britton, Fletcher Derrick, and Allen Wood

Administrative Council: James F. Barker, *President*; Dr. Doris R. Helms, *Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost*; Dr. John Kelly, *Vice President for PSA and Economic Development*; Dr. Gerald Sonnenfeld, *Vice President for Research*; Erin Swann, *Interim General Counsel*; Brett Dalton, *Chief Financial Officer*; Angie Leidinger, *Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees and Director of Governmental Affairs*; Dr. Debra B. Jackson, *Vice Provost and Assistant to the President*; Dr. Gail DiSabatino, *Vice President for Student Affairs*; Neill Cameron, Jr., *Vice President for Advancement*; Marvin G. Carmichael, *Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff*; Catherine T. Sams, *Chief Public Affairs Officer and Assistant to the President*; Dr. Terry Don Phillips, *Director of Athletics*; Michelle Piekutowski, *Interim Chief Human Resources Director*; and Leon Wiles, *Chief Diversity Officer*

Guests: Larry Allen, *Dean, College of Health, Education, and Human Development*; Karen Burg, *Interim Dean of the Graduate School*; Rick Goodstein, *Dean, College of Architecture, Arts, and Humanities*; Claude Lilly, *Dean, College of Business and Behavioral Science*; Tom Scott, *Dean, College of Agriculture, Forestry, and Life Sciences*; Kay Wall, *Dean of Libraries*; George Askew, *PSA*; Dan Warner, *Faculty Senate President*; Windsor Sherrill, *Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees*; Steve Meadows, *PSA*; Dave Dryden, *Creative Services*; Robin Denny, *News Services*; Bob Sheppard, *Board of Visitors*; Robert Barkley, *Admissions*; Carlisle Kennedy, *Undergraduate Student Government President*; Chris Pay, *Graduate Student Government*; Erin McCave, *Graduate Student Government President*; Kathy Coleman, *Governmental Affairs*; Henry Jenkins, *Guest*; Deb Charles, *Staff Senate President*; Walter Jenkins, *Guest*; James Ellicott, *Guest*; Doug Henry, *CCIT*; Stephanie Griffin, *Governmental Affairs*; Kim Roche, *CCIT*; Rose Ellen Davis-Gross, *Office of the Board of Trustees*; and Sally Gillespie, *Office of the Board of Trustees*

Media: Diane Knich, *The Post and Courier*

Robin Denny introduced members of the media.

Trustee Wilkins recognized Les McCraw and Clay Steadman's passing with a moment of silence.

Trustee Wilkins officially introduced Kim Wilkerson in her new role as a Trustee.

Trustee Wilkins thanked Trustee Emeritus Britton for his 27 years of service on the Board of Trustees and presented a resolution to him on behalf of the Board. Trustee Emeritus Britton reflected on his time on the Board and presented a Trustee Medallion to Trustee Wilkerson.

Approval of Minutes – April 15, 2011 and May 12, 2011

Trustee Lynn moved to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2011 and May 12, 2011 meetings. Trustee McCarter seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Report from the Executive Secretary to the Board – Angie Leidinger

Board of Visitors Report – Bob Sheppard provided an update. He spoke briefly about the roles of each committee. Angie Leidinger presented the revised charter for informational purposes.

Approval of Honorary Degree Nominees – Ms. Leidinger presented the request to approve seven nominees for Honorary Degrees. Trustee Amick moved to approve the nominees. Trustee McAbee seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Election of Chairman – Trustee Smith asked for nominations for Chairman. Trustee McKissick and Trustee McCarter comprised the nominating committee and reported that Trustee Wilkins was unanimously nominated. Trustee Smith asked for additional nominations from the floor. There being none, Trustee McTeer moved to close nominations. Trustee Swann seconded the motion. Trustee Wilkins was elected Chairman unanimously. Trustee Wilkins thanked the Board for its confidence.

Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee Report – Louis Lynn

Trustee Lynn reported the Committee had no action items. John Kelly provided a summary of the informational items regarding the I-95 corridor project and changes in PSA administration. Trustee Lynn noted there was one action taken by the Crop Pest Commission.

Compensation Committee Report – Joe Swann

Trustee Swann reported the Committee discussed and approved salary proposals from the Administration.

Educational Policy Committee Report – Smyth McKissick

Action Items:

Program Terminations – Provost Helms presented the proposed program terminations.

- Substance Abuse Certificate Program – Low enrollment supports the termination of the program and no students are enrolled currently.
- Early Childhood Education, M.Ed. – The program has had low enrollment. The termination will allow the School of Education to focus on the new degree program in Teaching and Learning rather than having separate degree programs.

Trustee McKissick moved to approve the program terminations. The motion was approved unanimously.

Faculty Manual Change – Provost Helms presented the request to change the Faculty Manual. The proposed change specifies the length of time available to the Board to render a decision on an appeal. The proposed revision provides a timeline for Board action.

Trustee McKissick moved to approve the Faculty Manual Change. The motion was approved unanimously.

Program Modification – Provost Helms presented the request to add a new Entrepreneurship and Innovation concentration to the MBA program.

Trustee McKissick moved to approve the program modification. The motion was approved unanimously.

New Certificate – Provost Helms presented the request for a new Six Sigma Certificate within the Industrial Engineering Department.

Trustee McKissick moved to approve the new certificate. The motion was approved unanimously.

Graduation Ceremonies for 2012 – Provost Helms presented the proposed graduation ceremony schedule for 2012.

Trustee McKissick moved to approve the graduation schedule. The motion was approved unanimously.

Information Items:

Faculty Senate Report – Dan Warner provided an update.

Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees Report – Windsor Sherrill provided an update.

Admissions Updates – Provost Helms provided an update. Transfer applications are up 8%. Of accepted students, 88% of South Carolinians who applied to Clemson were accepted. The yield is actually about 2950. She thanked Robert Barkley for his work.

Trustee Hendrix asked what Clemson has done to publicize the 88% acceptance rate. Cathy Sams said they try to distribute the information as much as possible.

Finance and Facilities Committee Report – Bill Amick

Action Items:

Approval of FY2011-2012 Clemson University Budget – Brett Dalton referred to the previously distributed proposed budget and asked for questions.

Trustee Amick moved to approve the FY2011-2012 Clemson University Budget. The motion was approved unanimously.

Trustee Amick noted the remainder of items would be considered as a composite motion.

Approval of Tuition Policy for Students from Sister-State Agreement Programs – Mr. Dalton presented the request. The administration requested approval of the non-resident fee waiver for students from Sister-State agreement programs as notified annually by The Commission on Higher Education.

Trustee Swann requested the cost of Sister State Agreement waivers be posted annually.

Approval of Lease Out Clemson University Duke Energy Innovation Center – Mr. Dalton presented the request to negotiate and execute leases for space in the Duke Energy Innovation Center located at the Clemson Advanced Materials Research Campus in Anderson, SC. Lease-outs of lab and office space would be made for economic development purposes. The facility contains 25,000 square feet of conditioned space that will serve as a high-tech business incubator, providing space for companies exploring the viability of locating new businesses or relocating existing businesses in the area.

Trustee McAbee recused herself from this action item due to potential perceived conflict of interest concerns.

Approval of CURI Campus SCANA Corporation Easement Request – Mr. Dalton presented the request to grant an easement with SCANA Corporation allowing for the design, construction and maintenance of the primary electrical service and associated transmission substation on University owned property located at the Clemson University Restoration Institute Campus.

Trustee Amick recused himself from this action item due to his role on the SCANA Board. Trustee Peeler presented the item for approval.

Approval of Town of Central Sanitary Sewer Easement Request – Mr. Dalton presented the request to grant an easement to the Town of Central allowing for the design, construction and maintenance of a sanitary sewer gravity line on University-owned property as identified in the following exhibits. The requesting agency has offered to pay the University \$4,100 for the easement, which is reasonable compared to similar projects.

Approval of Duke Energy Utility Easement Request – Mr. Dalton presented the request to grant a utility easement to Duke Energy in order to provide electrical power to support improved wireless service and improved emergency communication on campus.

Trustee McAbee recused herself from this action item due to potential perceived conflict of interest concerns.

Approval of CU-ICAR Center for Emerging Technologies CU/CUREF Lease-In Request – Mr. Dalton presented the request to negotiate leases for space located in the Center for Emerging Technologies. The property is located adjacent to the CU-ICAR Partnership Offices and the Parking Garage in Technology Neighborhood I of the CU-ICAR Campus. Clemson University is investigating several partnerships and operational opportunities on the CU-ICAR campus.

Trustee McAbee recused herself from this action item due to her role on the CUREF Board.

Approval of Concept Phases

- Littlejohn Annex – Mr. Dalton presented the request for concept stage approval for the Littlejohn Coliseum Annex Addition. The project will provide quality practice facilities for the men's and women's intercollegiate basketball programs while efficiently enabling daily interaction between coaches and student athletes. Two additional practice gyms and offices for the men's and women's organizations will be constructed.
- Wastewater Treatment Plant Renovation/Upgrades – Mr. Dalton presented the request for concept stage approval for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade. The changes will address deferred maintenance and reliability issues and meet new regulatory standards for water quality. Improvements to the wastewater treatment plant on campus will include construction of an influent pump station and headwork, associated electrical system replacement and emergency power upgrade, replacement of primary clarifier equipment and beginning control system automation upgrades.

Approval of Concept & Final Phase for Baruch Graduate Student Housing – Mr. Dalton presented the request for concept and final phase approval of Baruch Graduate Student Housing. The project will provide temporary housing for graduate students while they work with faculty at the Baruch Institute of Coastal Ecology and Forest Science in Georgetown. The 2,000 square foot facility will house up to eight graduate students at any one time with separate sleeping and bathroom facilities on each side of the common areas to allow for coed use.

Approval of Final Phase Freeman Addition – Mr. Dalton presented the request for final approval of the Freeman Hall Addition. The project will add 24,000 square feet of office, classroom and research space to Freeman Hall on the western side of the building.

Approval of Pee Dee REC Release Right of First Refusal – Mr. Dalton presented the request to release a right of first refusal to approximately 300 acres owned by the adjoining property owner. A release of this right by Clemson University would allow the property owner to dispose of the property through normal family and estate planning.

Trustee Amick moved to approve the action items, with the exception of the SCANA Corporation Easement. The motion was approved unanimously.

Trustee Peeler moved to approve the SCANA Corporation Easement. The motion was approved unanimously.

Information Items:

Staff Senate Report – Deb Charles provided an update.

Institutional Advancement Committee Report – Ronnie Lee

Action Item:

Naming of Soccer Complex – Neill Cameron presented the request to name the soccer complex “Dr. I.M. Ibrahim Stadium at Historic Riggs Field.” Trustee Swann asked about funding for the naming. Mr. Cameron said \$325,000 has been committed. The remodeling will cost \$1 million. The policy requires that 25% of funds be raised to name a facility.

Trustee Lee moved to approve the naming of the soccer complex. The motion was approved unanimously.

Information Item:

Foundation Report – Trustee Lee provided an update.

Trustee McKissick provided an update on the Will to Lead Campaign. Clemson has raised \$517 million as of June 30, 2011. Half of the major gifts are from first time donors. 70% of million dollar gifts are from first time donors.

Marketing Presentation – Ms. Sams and Dave Dryden provided an iPad demonstration of the Clemson World magazine.

Research and Economic Development Committee Report – Tom McTeer

Trustee McTeer noted there were no action items. Gerald Sonnenfeld summarized information items.

Student Affairs Committee Report – Nicky McCarter

Trustee McCarter noted there were no action items.

Information Items:

Undergraduate Student Government Report – Carlisle Kennedy provided an update.

Graduate Student Government Report – Erin McCave provided an update.

Executive and Audit Committee Report – David Wilkins

Trustee Wilkins noted there were no action items.

Trustee Peeler moved to reopen the discussion on naming the soccer stadium. The motion was approved unanimously.

Trustee Peeler expressed his desire that this naming item be treated consistently with other naming opportunities. Mr. Cameron said this request follows current policies, but he noted the policies could be reviewed and revised if the Board deemed it necessary.

Discussion followed regarding whether there is a need to revise the naming policy.

Trustee Hendrix said he supports honoring Dr. Ibrahim and his contributions to Clemson, but he noted that it is important for the soccer complex to continue to be known as Riggs Field to students, faculty, staff, alumni, and press. The history is important to uphold.

Discussion followed regarding the specific wording of the naming. It was determined that Riggs Field should be displayed before and more prominently than Dr. I.M. Ibrahim Stadium.

Trustee Hendrix moved to approve the naming of the soccer complex as follows – Riggs Field at Dr. I.M. Ibrahim Stadium. The motion was approved unanimously.

President's Report

President Barker highlighted items on the report card.

President Barker presented the 2020 plan.

Adjourn

There being no further business, Trustee Wilkins adjourned the meeting at 1:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Leidinger
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Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Angie Leidinger 10/21/11
Approved Date