Call to Order
After notification as required by the Freedom of Information Act, Trustee Wilkins, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m. with the following present:

Trustees (all via phone): David Wilkins, Chairman, presiding; Ronald Lee, Louis Lynn, Patti McAbee, Nicky McCarter, Smyth McKissick, Tom McTeer, Bob Peeler, Bill Smith, Joe Swann, and Kim Wilkerson

Trustee Emeritus (via phone): J.J. Britton

Administrative Council: James F. Barker, President; Angie Leidinger, Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees and Executive Director of Governmental Affairs; Neill Cameron, Jr., Vice President for Advancement; Debra Jackson, Assistant to the President and Vice Provost for Academic Affairs; John Kelly, Vice President for Economic Development; Terry Don Phillips, Athletic Director; Michelle Piekutowski, Interim Chief Human Resources Officer; Cathy Sams, Chief Public Affairs Officer; and Erin Swann, Interim General Counsel

Guests: Robin Denny, News Services; Doug Henry, CCIT; and Rose Ellen Davis-Gross, Office of the Board of Trustees

Media: Anna Mitchell, Anderson Independent

Angie Leidinger called the roll of the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Smith convened the Finance and Facilities Committee.

Action Items

1. Approval Stage Update – Wind Turbine Drivetrain Test Facility/Grid Simulator

Brett Dalton presented the proposed update. A powerful grid simulation capability that mimics real-world transients such as wide-area power disruptions, frequency fluctuations, voltage drops, cascading accidents and cyber or physical attacks without “real-world risk” is needed to test and
validate new technologies. Adding a 15 MW HIL grid simulator to the project will fulfill this need and provide valuable testing services for new innovations in solar energy, energy storage, smart grid, grid security, and other distributed energy devices; verification of existing transmission models; and investigation of unique transient events. The total project increases from $64,000,000 to $85,000,000 as a result of this increase.

Trustee McCarter moved to approve the update to the project. Trustee McKissick seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

2. Approval of Concept – CURI Graduate Education Center

Mr. Dalton presented the concept request. The proposed Graduate Education Center is intended to be the iconic core of the Restoration Institute campus. The facility is programmed at up to 92,000 gross square feet on water-front property at dry dock number 3 of the old Charleston Naval Base. The building will support the undergraduate and graduate education activities for proposed programs in renewable energy and composite materials.

Trustee McKissick moved to approve the concept. Trustee McCarter seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Approval of CU/CUREF Project One Lease Request

Mr. Dalton presented the lease request. Approval would allow Clemson University to lease up to 71,801 gross square feet consisting of the four floors below the top floor of the building as well as exclusive use and control of use rights of an exterior green roof to be known as “Greenville One” located on North Main Street below West Washington Street and Piazza Bergamo in Greenville, SC.

Trustee McCarter moved to approve the lease request. Trustee McKissick seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

4. Approval of Concept & Final – Project One

Mr. Dalton presented the project for approval. It will up fit approximately 71,801 square feet of shell space on the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th floors of the currently under construction Project One building. The project is located in downtown Greenville at the intersection of Main Street and Washington Street. The project will complete the essential infrastructure on the leased floors and will furnish and equip them to meet programmatic needs.

Trustee McKissick moved to approve the request. Trustee McCarter seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Approval of Board Resolution for General Obligation State Institution Refunding Bonds

Mr. Dalton presented the request to approve the bond resolution. The Administration recommends approval of the Board Resolution for the Refunding General Obligation State Institution Bonds, Series 2012, not exceeding $24 million. The proceeds from this bond issue will be used to refund Clemson University General Obligation Bonds, Series 2002B, Series
2003B and Clemson University General Obligation Bonds, Series 2003F. Current market conditions are favorable to the refunding of these Bond issues and the Office of the State Treasurer seeks to take advantage of these historically low rates.

Trustee McKissick moved to approve the request. Trustee McCarter seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Trustee Smith adjourned the Finance and Facilities Committee.

Chairman Wilkins reconvened the Full Board meeting.

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Trustee Wilkerson has no conflict or potential conflict that would prevent her from voting on any of these items.

Chairman Wilkins said the following action items would be viewed as a composite motion.

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Trustee Smith moved to approve the action items. The motion was approved unanimously.

Adjourn

There being no further business, Chairman Wilkins adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Leidinger
Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Approved:

Angie Leidinger  4/20/12
Signature  Date