

Clemson University  
Clemson, South Carolina

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

Executive Board Room  
Madren Center  
Clemson, South Carolina  
April 11, 2014  
1:30 p.m.

Call to Order

After notification as required by the Freedom of Information Act, Trustee Wilkins, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. with the following present:

Trustees: David Wilkins, *Chairman, presiding*; David Dukes, Bill Hendrix, Ronald Lee, Louis Lynn, Patti McAbee, Nicky McCarter, Smyth McKissick, Mark Richardson, Bill Smith, Joe Swann, and Kim Wilkerson

Trustees Emeriti: J.J. Britton, Fletcher Derrick, and Doug Kingsmore

Administrative Council: James P. Clements, *President*; Nadim Aziz, *Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost*; George Askew, *Vice President for Public Service and Agriculture*; John Ballato, *Vice President for Economic Development*; Chip Hood, *General Counsel*; Brett Dalton, *Vice President for Finance and Operations*; Angie Leidinger, *Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees and Director of Governmental Affairs*; Jim Bottum, *Vice Provost for Computing and Information Technology and Chief Information Officer*; Larry Dooley, *Interim Vice President for Research*; Gail DiSabatino, *Vice President for Student Affairs*; Debra Jackson, *Vice Provost and Assistant to the President*; Neill Cameron, Jr., *Vice President for Advancement*; Marvin G. Carmichael, *Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff*; Dan Radakovich, *Director of Athletics*; Catherine T. Sams, *Chief Public Affairs Officer and Assistant to the President*; Leon Wiles, *Chief Diversity Officer*; and Michelle Piekutowski, *Interim Chief Human Resources Officer*

Guests: Larry Allen, *Dean, College of Health, Education and Human Development*; Karen Burg, *Interim Dean, Graduate School*; Rick Goodstein, *Dean, College of Architecture, Arts and Humanities*; Anand Gramopadhye, *Dean, College of Engineering and Science*; Tom Scott, *Dean, College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences*; Charles Watt, *Interim Dean, College of Business and Behavioral Science*; Kelly Smith, *Faculty Senate President*; Jim McCubbin, *Faculty Senate*; Angela Nixon, *Outgoing Staff Senate President*; Matt Bundrick, *Incoming Staff Senate President*; Kayley Seawright, *Outgoing Undergraduate Student Government President*; Maddy Thompson, *Incoming Undergraduate Student Government President*; Simon Li, *Outgoing Graduate Student Government President*; Ryan Heil, *Incoming Graduate Student Government President*; David Blakesley, *Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees*; Ann Hunter, *Alumni Association*; Robin Denny, *Media Relations*; Harrison Trammell, *Foundation*; Drew Casella, *Undergraduate Student Government*; Joe Galbraith, *Athletics*; Eric Rogers, *Broadcast Productions*; Brian O'Rourke, *Development*; Doug Hallenbeck, *Housing*; Cathy Tillett, *Director of Internal Audit*; Robert Barkley, *Admissions*; Lee Cochran, *Undergraduate Student Government*; Creighton Segars,

*Undergraduate Student Government; Shannon Finning, Dean of Students; Andrew Hill, Undergraduate Student Government; Beth Crocker, Office of General Counsel; Roy Jones, Call Me Mister; Monica Patterson, Faculty Senate; Katie Holba, Student; Doug Henry, CCIT; Stephanie Griffin, Office of Governmental Affairs; Rose Ellen Davis-Gross, Office of the Board of Trustees; and Sally Mauldin, Office of the Board of Trustees*

Media: Ron Barnett, *Greenville News*, Mike Eads, *Anderson Independent*, and Josie Rabbit, *Seneca Journal*

Cathy Sams introduced members of the media.

Approval of Minutes – November 4-5, 2013, November 11, 2013, and February 7, 2014

Trustee Lynn moved to approve the minutes of the November 4-5, 2013, November 11, 2013, and February 7, 2014 meetings. Trustee Lee seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Report from the Executive Secretary to the Board – Angie Leidinger

Woodland Cemetery Special Exception Request – Angie Leidinger presented the request for a special exception to be granted at Woodland Cemetery. No motion was made.

President's Report

President Clements provided an update on his activities since the last meeting. He shared photos from events and noted he is continuing to meet people.

President Clements shared awards that faculty and staff have received since the last meeting. He also spoke about the open forums he participated in for students, faculty and staff.

Debbie Jackson highlighted items from the President's Report Card.

President Clements introduced Katie Holba, Undergraduate Student Body Treasurer. He listed her accomplishments as a Clemson student and said Clemson was fortunate to have such caliber of students.

Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee Report – Louis Lynn

Trustee Lynn called on George Askew to summarize information items.

Compensation Committee Report – Joe Swann

Trustee Swann called on Michelle Piekutowski to review items discussed. The Committee reviewed the salaries of George Askew and John Ballato. The Committee also approved changes to the Compensation Committee Charter.

#### Educational Policy Committee Report – Ronnie Lee

Trustee Lee called on Nadim Aziz to present the Committee's action items. He noted they would be considered for approval as a composite motion.

#### Action Items:

Name Change: Social Impact Design 1:1 to Architecture + Community BUILD (certificate) – Dr. Aziz presented the proposed name change. The name has been approved by a faculty and school committee as the title that best represents the certificate intent and status relative to peer programs while also differentiating itself as a unique and valuable area of expertise/course of study.

Name Change: CU Genomics Institute to CU Institute for Translational Genomics – Dr. Aziz presented the proposed name change. The institute has changed over the past decade. In reality, it is a variant of core facility/laboratory and should be recognized as such. It serves a critical role at the university, but its current capabilities need to be scaled appropriately.

Center Termination: CU International Institute for Tourism Research and Development – Dr. Aziz presented the proposed termination. While the institute has been somewhat successful in generating research funding over the past several years, due to the expansion of the director's duties it has been extremely difficult to do any meaningful planning or assessment. Additionally, clients are only concerned with and place a value on the Clemson University PRTM brand and do not understand what it means to be an institute.

Approval of the Guidelines for Centers and Institute Reviews: Annual and Fifth Year – Dr. Aziz presented the proposed guidelines. Clemson University has a systematic approach to annual assessment of all academic and non-academic programs, services, and departments including centers and institutes. The annual process is divided into two segments: a planning document and an annual report. In addition to annual assessment reports, all centers and institutes undergo a comprehensive fifth year review.

Approval of the Academic Common Market for Undergraduate Students – Dr. Aziz presented the proposal requesting a change in current University policy to allow participation in the Academic Common Market adding undergraduate degree programs.

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

#### Information Items:

Faculty Senate Report – Kelly Smith provided an update. Chairman Wilkins thanked him for his service.

Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees Report – David Blakesley provided an update.

Admissions Updates – Trustee Lee provided a brief update.

#### Finance and Facilities Committee Report – Bill Hendrix

##### Action Items:

Trustee Hendrix called on Brett Dalton to present the action items.

Core Campus Update – Mr. Dalton presented the request to exclude the Athletics Academic Enrichment Center from the Core Campus Development project. Upon further evaluation and consultation with Athletics, Housing and the design team, the University would like to continue to evaluate more suitable locations and cost effective alternatives for the Athletic Academic element of the project.

Trustee Hendrix moved to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

Approval of Land Swap between the University and the City of Clemson – Mr. Dalton presented the proposed land swap. Approval is requested to pursue a property swap with the City of Clemson to acquire .70 acres adjacent to Clemson University baseball field property located on the corner of Highway 76 and Old Stone Church Road owned by the City of Clemson in exchange for 4.73 acres located adjacent to the City of Clemson's waste water treatment plant owned by Clemson University.

Trustee Hendrix moved to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

Approval of Special Tuition and Fees Rate for WFB 4150-6150 (Quality Deer Management) for Summer 2014 – Mr. Dalton presented the proposed tuition and fees. The request is to approve a single rate of \$1,500 academic fee for the WFB 4150/6150 course for both resident and nonresident students. The School of Agricultural, Forest and Environmental Sciences is requesting a tuition reduction for Wildlife and Fisheries Biology course 4150/6150 (3 credit hours) – Quality Deer Management. The current online course is fully developed and has been taught during the Long Summer Sessions 2010-2013 with an average enrollment of approximately 20 students. It is anticipated that enrollment would likely approach 80-100 students within 2-3 years of tuition reduction with little, if any, increased cost of offering the course.

Trustee Hendrix moved to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

Approval of Dining Fees for Summer 2014 – Mr. Dalton presented the proposed dining fees. The proposed plan would change summer meal plans from term based plans to block plans, offering more flexibility during the summer months. With the various semesters and a shorter timeframe being on-campus, the proposed block plans allow the students to purchase the number of meals to suit their schedule and allow

additional meals to be added. The proposed plans offer paw points which allows a student to access the many on-campus retail locations providing the student with diverse dining options.

Trustee Hendrix moved to approve the fees. The motion was approved unanimously.

Information Item:

Staff Senate Report – Angela Nixon provided an update. Chairman Wilkins thanked her for her service.

Institutional Advancement Committee Report – David Dukes

Trustee Dukes provided a summary of information items.

Information Item:

Trustee McKissick provided an update on the Will to Lead Campaign.

Research and Economic Development Committee Report – Kim Wilkerson

Trustee Wilkerson provided a summary of information items.

Student Affairs Committee Report – Nicky McCarter

Trustee McCarter provided a summary of information items.

Information Items:

Undergraduate Student Government Report – Kayley Seawright provided an update. Chairman Wilkins thanked her for her service.

Graduate Student Government Report – Simon Li provided an update. Chairman Wilkins thanked him for his service.

Executive and Audit Committee Report – David Wilkins

External Audit Contract Extension – Chairman Wilkins presented the request to extend the Elliott Davis contract. The motion was approved unanimously.

Executive Session

Chairman Wilkins said it was necessary to go into executive session to discuss legal and personnel matters. He said no votes or action would be taken while in executive session. Trustee Lynn moved to go into executive session. Trustee Hendrix seconded the motion.

The Full Board went into executive session at 2:53 p.m. and reconvened in open session at 3:44 p.m.

Adjourn

There being no further business, Chairman Wilkins adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Leidinger  
Angie Leidinger  
Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Angie Leidinger      7/18/14  
Approved                      Date