

Clemson University
Clemson, South Carolina

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

Ballroom B
Madren Center
Clemson, South Carolina
April 10, 2015
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 1:36 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, Bob Peeler, Mark Richardson, Bill Smith, Joe Swann (via phone), and Kim Wilkerson

Trustees Emeriti: J.J. Britton, Doug Kingsmore, Tom McTeer, and Allen Wood

Administrative Council: James P. Clements, *President*; Robert H. Jones, *Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost*; George Askew, *Vice President for Public Service and Agriculture and Interim Dean, College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences*; 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*; Larry Dooley, *Interim Vice President for Research*; Debra Jackson, *Vice Provost and Assistant to the President*; Neill Cameron, Jr., *Vice President for Advancement*; Dan Radakovich, *Director of Athletics*; Catherine T. Sams, *Chief Public Affairs Officer and Assistant to the President*; Jim Bottum, *Vice Provost for Computing and Information Technology and Chief Information Officer*; and Michelle Piekutowski, *Chief Human Resources Officer*

Guests: George Smith, *Associate Vice President for Student Affairs*; Nadim Aziz, *Interim Dean, Graduate School*; Rick Goodstein, *Dean, College of Architecture, Arts and Humanities*; Anand Gramopadhye, *Dean, College of Engineering and Science*; Bobby McCormick, *Interim Dean, College of Business and Behavioral Science*; George Petersen, *Dean, School of Education*; Brett Wright, *Interim Dean, College of Health, Education and Human Development*; Cathy Tillett, *Internal Audit*; Tracey Hare, *President's Office*; David Blakesley, *Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees*; Boyd Parr, *PSA*; Maddy Thompson, *Outgoing Undergraduate Student Government President*; Shannon Kay, *Incoming Undergraduate Student Government President*; Andrew Hill, *Undergraduate Student Government*; Ryan Heil, *Outgoing Graduate Student Government President*; Guneet Bedi, *Incoming Graduate Student Government President*; James McCubbin, *Faculty Senate*; Jane Clark Lindle, *School of Education*; Harrison Trammell, *CUF*; Doug Hallenbeck, *Student Affairs*; Shannon Finning, *Dean of Students*; Joe Galbraith, *Athletics*; Brian O'Rourke, *Development*; Sharon Nagy, *Global Engagement*; Doug Henry, *CCIT*; Dwayne Leslie, *CUPD*; Leland Miller, *CUPD*; Susan Schiff, *Public Affairs*; Robin Denny, *Media Relations*; Tina White, *Staff Senate*; Matt

Bundrick, *Staff Senate President*; Amy Goodin, *Controller's Office*; Will Escoe, *Student*; and Sally Mauldin, *Office of the Board of Trustees*

Media: Mike Eads, *Anderson Independent*; Ron Barnette, *Greenville News*; Christina Cleveland, *Seneca Journal*; and Matt Connolly, *Fox Carolina*

Cathy Sams introduced members of the media.

Approval of Minutes – February 6, 2015

Trustee Peeler moved to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2015, meeting. Trustee Lynn seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Report from the Executive Secretary to the Board – Angie Leidinger

Chair Nominating Committee – Chairman Wilkins noted it is time to appoint a Chair Nominating Committee pursuant to the Board of Trustees Manual. He noted he will serve as an ex-officio member and appointed Trustee Wilkerson to serve as chair with Trustee Peeler also serving on the committee.

President's Report

President Clements provided an update on his activities since the last meeting.

President Clements introduced Will Escoe, a student with remarkable achievements during his time at Clemson.

Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee Report – Bob Peeler

Trustee Peeler called on George Askew to summarize information items.

Compensation Committee Report – Joe Swann

Trustee Swann called on Michelle Piekutowski to review items discussed.

Student Affairs Committee Report – Nicky McCarter

Trustee McCarter summarized information items discussed.

Information Items:

Undergraduate Student Government Report – Maddy Thompson provided an update and introduced the incoming president, Shannon Kay. Chairman Wilkins thanked her for her service.

Graduate Student Government Report – Ryan Heil provided an update and introduced the incoming president, Guneet Bedi. Chairman Wilkins thanked him for his service.

Educational Policy Committee Report – Ronnie Lee

Trustee Lee called on Bob Jones to present the Committee’s action items as a composite motion.

Action Items:

New Certificate: Sales Engineering Certificate – Provost Jones presented the proposed certificate. It is a collaborative initiative between the Departments of Marketing and Industrial Engineering. Given that many engineering graduates begin their careers in technical sales, it is important that they understand customers’ needs and can effectively communicate with customers. The certificate provides 6 credit-hours of marketing courses in professional selling and sales management to build and strengthen students’ communication skills, help them develop and communicate a value proposition, and help them build social intelligence to form relationships with customers. For the additional 3 credit-hours needed to complete the certificate, students may select from a variety of courses and/or a seminar class that focus on an overview of business for engineers, and exposure to professionals in sales engineering.

New Center: Risk Engineering and Systems Analytics Center – Provost Jones presented the proposed center. The purpose of the center is to establish a leading national resource for risk engineering. The overarching goal of the center is to integrate interdisciplinary research efforts in risk-related science and engineering to improve the understanding of risks linked to natural and man-made phenomena, mitigate their effects and to better prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters. Risk engineering and analytics are employed by insurance and reinsurance companies as part of their strategic planning and execution. Analytical processes around risk engineering are data-driven and computationally intensive. However, utilizing advanced analytics and incorporating real-time information to design portfolios that target specific economic goals while satisfying constraints is still in its infancy.

Name Change: Clemson University Reading Recovery Training Center for SC to Clemson University Reading Recovery and Early Literacy Training Center for SC – Provost Jones presented the proposed name change. Reading Recovery remediates the bottom 20% of first graders. To support this effort, the Center recently established an early literacy virtual professional development library for K-2 teachers. The name change will reflect this new dimension.

Name Change: Food Science, BS to Food Science and Human Nutrition, BS – Provost Jones presented the proposed name change. This degree name change will more accurately represent the two concentrations that are part of the current curriculum. The department is in the process of strengthening the nutrition curriculum/concentration to maintain its accreditation with the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. Over 50% of the current Food Science majors are completing the Nutrition concentration. Including the term “Nutrition” in the major name may enhance job opportunities for nutrition-related positions, internships, or

advanced degree programs as companies or institutions often use electronic scanners to search key words in electronic application systems.

Trustee Lee moved to approve the new certificate, new center, and two name changes. The motion was approved unanimously.

Information Items:

Faculty Senate Report – Jim McCubbin provided an update.

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

Finance and Facilities Committee Report – Bill Hendrix

Trustee Hendrix asked Brett Dalton to present the action item.

Action Item:

Approval Pre-Concept – SIRRINE HALL REPLACEMENT – Mr. Dalton presented the request for pre-concept approval of a SIRRINE HALL REPLACEMENT. The administration seeks approval to continue to evaluate and design a building to replace SIRRINE HALL with an estimated cost of \$120-130 million. The project will involve constructing a building to replace SIRRINE HALL, built in 1938. SIRRINE HALL has not had a significant renovation in 35 years. The antiquated academic facility no longer provides adequate space for long-term growth or modern instructional delivery methods. The College of Business and Behavioral Science is currently co-located with other academic programs in SIRRINE HALL. The replacement facility will become the dedicated, recognizable home for all business and related disciplines within the CBBS, and it will provide space for the college's administrative offices, outreach and research institutes. Specifically, the SIRRINE HALL replacement will include a variety of classrooms and learning laboratories, faculty and administrative offices, study and gathering spaces, and common areas that will encourage greater collaboration among students, faculty, staff and business partners. The new facility will provide an enhanced interface between academics and industry, accommodate growth, and provide flexibility to adapt to advancements in technology and instructional methods. This project will also provide approximately 105,000 square feet of swing space in SIRRINE HALL, which will allow for the systematic renovation of aging campus and academic facilities.

Trustee Hendrix moved to approve the pre-concept. The motion was approved unanimously.

Information Items:

Financial Update – Mr. Dalton provided an update on the overall financial health of the University.

Staff Senate Report – Matt Bundrick provided an update and introduced the new president, Tina White. Chairman Wilkins thanked him for his service.

Institutional Advancement Committee – David Dukes

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

Research and Economic Development Committee Report – Kim Wilkerson

Trustee Wilkerson called on Larry Dooley and John Ballato to summarize information items.

Action Item:

Health Sciences of South Carolina Resolution – Dr. Dooley presented the resolution.

Trustee Wilkerson moved to approve the resolution. The motion was approved unanimously.

Executive and Audit Committee Report – David Wilkins

Chairman Wilkins summarized information items.

Executive Session

Chairman Wilkins said it was necessary to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel, contractual, economic development, and legal matters. No votes or action would be taken.

Trustee Dukes moved to go into Executive Session. Trustee Wilkerson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The Committee entered into Executive Session at 3:02 p.m. and returned to open session at 3:41 p.m.

Adjourn

There being no further business, Chairman Wilkins adjourned the meeting at 3:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Leidinger
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Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Angie Leidinger
Approved

7-17-15
Date