

Clemson University
Clemson, South Carolina

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

Poinsett Ballroom
Westin Poinsett Hotel
Greenville, South Carolina
July 18, 2008
9:00 AM

Call to Order

After notification as required by the Freedom of Information Act, Bill Hendrix, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. with the following present:

Trustees: Bill Hendrix, *Chairman, presiding*; Bill Amick, J. J. Britton, Louis Lynn, Patti McAbee, Nicky McCarter, Les McCraw, Smyth McKissick, Tom McTeer, Bob Peeler, Bill Smith, Joe Swann, and David Wilkins

Trustees Emeriti: 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 Public Service and Agriculture*; Dr. Chris Przirembel, *Vice President for Research and Economic Development*; Clayton D. Steadman, *General Counsel*; Brett Dalton, *Chief Financial Officer*; Angie Leidinger, *Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees and Director of Governmental Affairs*; Bob Geolas, *Executive Director of the Clemson University International Center for Automotive Research*; Jim Bottum, *Vice Provost for Computing and Information Technology and Chief Information Officer*; Dr. Debra B. Jackson, *Assistant to the President and Associate Provost for Academic Affairs*; Dr. Gail DiSabatino, *Vice President for Student Affairs*; Neill Cameron, Jr., *Vice President for Advancement*; Steve Copeland, *Interim Chief Administrative Officer*; Terry Don Phillips, *Director of Athletics*; Marvin G. Carmichael, *Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff*; Catherine T. Sams, *Chief Public Affairs Officer and Assistant to the President*; Lawrence Nichols, II, *Chief Human Resource Officer*; and Leon Wiles, *Chief Diversity Officer*

Guests: Brian O'Rourke, *Director of Development and Alumni Affairs*; Chip Egan, *Dean, College of Architecture, Art & Humanities*; Claude Lilly, *Dean, College of Business & Behavioral Science*; Larry Allen, *Dean, College of Health, Education & Human Development*; Wil Brasington, *Alumni Association*; Bryan Simmons, *Faculty Senate President*; Cathy Tillett, *Director, Internal Audit*; Bill D'Andrea, *Assistant Athletic Director*; Robin Denny, *Clemson News Services*; Dave Crockett, *Staff Senate President*; John Ballato, *Faculty Representative to the Trustees*; Josh Smith, *CCIT*; Katherine Dobrenen, *CCIT*; Doug Henry, *CCIT*; Callie Boyd, *Undergraduate Student Body President*; Jason Schwier, *Graduate Student Body President*; Eric Wells, *Student Senate President*; J.T. Clark, *Undergraduate Student Government Vice President*; John Masslon, *Guest*; Jeannette Braine-Sperry, *Office of the Board of Trustees*; Sally Gillespie,

Office of the Board of Trustees; Stephanie Griffin, Office of Governmental Affairs; Steve Miller, Clemson University Police Department; and Erin Swann, Office of the General Counsel

Media: Anna Simon, *Greenville News* and Nick Nygro, *WYFF*

Introductions

Chairman Hendrix introduced new Trustee Nicky McCarter and welcomed him to the Board of Trustees.

President Barker introduced Leon Wiles, Chief Diversity Officer. Chairman Hendrix welcomed Mr. Wiles.

Cathy Sams introduced Anna Simon and Nick Nygro.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Hendrix asked if there were corrections to the minutes of the April 18, 2008 meeting. There being none, Trustee Swann moved to approve the minutes, and Trustee McTeer seconded that motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Report from the Executive Secretary to the Board

Approval of Resolutions for CU-ICAR founding partners, Clemson University Foundation and the State of South Carolina – Angie Leidinger reviewed two resolutions previously distributed to the Board. Trustee Amick moved to approve the resolutions. Trustee Britton seconded his motion. The resolutions were approved unanimously.

Woodland Cemetery Request – Chairman Hendrix introduced a request to the Board by a family for an exception to the 20 years of service requirement for a plot at Woodland Cemetery. Chairman Hendrix invited a motion to grant the requested exception. There being no motion, Chairman Hendrix asked Ms. Leidinger to respond to the family that the request was not granted.

Ms. Leidinger directed the Board's attention to the previously distributed Board of Visitors 2007-2008 Annual Report. She said Board members would receive a survey to choose dates for 2010 Board meetings.

Football Seat Equity Update

Chairman Hendrix called on Bill D'Andrea to update the Board on the 2008 IPTAY Seat Equity Plan. Mr. D'Andrea reviewed the objectives and highlighted key components, including the decision not to pursue a re-seating program. Terry Don Phillips responded to questions from the Board, offered further comments regarding the program, and praised the work of Mr. D'Andrea and Tim Match on a well-designed program.

Educational Policy Committee Report

Information Items:

Admissions Update – Trustee Smith reviewed the Admissions Update previously distributed to the Board. He highlighted information on the report, including the increased number of applications – in-state and out-of-state. Provost Helms responded to questions.

Faculty Senate Report – Trustee Smith called on Bryan Simmons to present the Faculty Senate Report. Dr. Simmons reviewed the recent work of the Faculty Senate, including work with the Staff Senate and Student Senate, and efforts to work with Parking Services regarding campus parking issues. He also noted plans to conduct a Faculty Satisfaction Survey.

Finance and Facilities Committee Report

Chairman Hendrix called on Trustee Amick to convene the Finance & Facilities Committee.

Action Items:

Approval of FY 08-09 Tuition and Fee Recommendation – President Barker reviewed the recommendation for the FY 08-09 Tuition and Fee Recommendation of 5.5% and 7.5% for in-state and out-of-state students respectively and to restructure the information technology fee for freshmen and upperclassmen. President Barker responded to questions from Committee members and other Board members. Chairman Hendrix and other Trustees praised the Administration for their work in keeping the E&G spending increase at only 3%. Trustee Lynn moved to approve the recommendation. Trustee McTeer seconded. The recommendation was approved.

Approval of FY 08-09 Budget – Brett Dalton presented the FY 08-09 Budget and responded to questions from Committee members and other Board members. Trustee Lynn moved to approve the budget. Trustee McTeer seconded the motion. The budget recommendation was approved.

Trustee Peeler moved to adjourn the Finance & Facilities Committee. Trustee Lynn seconded the motion. The committee adjourned.

Action Items from Finance and Facilities Committee Meetings:

Approval of FY 08-09 Tuition and Fee Recommendation – Chairman Hendrix invited discussion on the tuition and fee recommendation. There being none, Chairman Hendrix moved to approve the recommendation. The Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation for a 5.5% tuition increase for in-state students and 7.5% for out-of-state students and to restructure the information technology fee for freshmen and upperclassmen.

Approval of FY 08-09 Budget – Chairman Hendrix invited discussion on the recommended budget for FY 08-09 Budget. There being none, Chairman Hendrix moved to approve the recommended budget. The Board unanimously approved the FY 08-09 Budget.

Capital Project Approvals

- IT Facility – Steve Copeland presented a project budget for the IT Facility for Board approval. He reviewed the project and funding details and sought final approval from the Board.
- Innovation Center – Mr. Copeland presented a project budget for the Innovation Center. He reviewed the project and funding details, and requested final Board approval.

Trustee Amick moved to recommend final approval for the IT Facility and Innovation Center projects. The motion passed unanimously.

Capital Project Concept Approvals

- Lee Hall Expansion and Renovation – Mr. Copeland reviewed the Lee Hall Expansion and Renovation project and funding details. He requested concept approval from the Board.
- Manning Hall Renovation – Mr. Copeland reviewed the Manning Hall Renovation project and funding details. He sought concept approval from the Board.

Trustee Amick moved to recommend concept approval for the Lee Hall Expansion and Renovation and Manning Hall Renovation projects. After discussion regarding these projects and the distinction between concept and final approvals, the Board unanimously approved both projects.

Lease-out Approvals

- Charleston Single House – Mr. Copeland reviewed a proposed one-year lease extension of the Charleston Single House on Meeting Street property in Charleston, SC.
- Advanced Materials Research Laboratory – Mr. Copeland reviewed a proposed amendment of the current lease with SCRA to add space in the Advanced Materials Research Laboratory.
- Clemson Engineering Technologies Laboratory (StormRider Technologies LLC) and Clemson Engineering Technologies Laboratory (Gulf FiberOptics Inc.) – Mr. Copeland reviewed two proposed lease-outs in the Clemson Engineering Technologies Laboratory; one by StormRider Technologies and one by Gulf FiberOptics Inc.

Trustee Amick moved to approve the recommended lease-outs. The Board voted unanimously to approve the lease-outs.

Building #1028 Demolition Approval – Mr. Copeland reviewed a recommendation to demolish a storage shed in order to expand the Walker Course driving range. Trustee Amick moved to approve the demolition of Building #1028. The Board voted unanimously to approve the demolition.

Information Items:

Finance Update – Trustee Amick called on Brett Dalton to present the Finance Update. Mr. Dalton directed the Board to the written update previously provided to the Board.

Staff Senate Report – Trustee Amick called on Dave Crockett to present the Staff Senate Report. Mr. Crockett reviewed recent work of the Staff Senate, including the Staff Development Plan.

Institutional Advancement Committee Report

Action Items:

Approval of Naming Guidelines – Trustee Britton directed the Board’s attention to the proposed Naming Guidelines previously distributed to them. He reviewed the significant parts of the policy.

Approval of Bob Brooks Statue Display and Location – Trustee Britton reviewed a recommendation to approve a statue of Bob Brooks and permanent placement of the statue at the Brooks Center.

Approval of Townes Laboratory Naming Request – Trustee Britton reviewed a request to name a laboratory at the Advanced Materials Research Laboratory in honor of Charles H. Townes, Nobel Prize winner. Dr. Townes was a recipient of an honorary degree from Clemson University.

Chairman Hendrix invited further discussion regarding these recommended approvals. There being none, he moved to approve the recommendations collectively. The Board unanimously approved the requests.

Information Items:

Top 20 - Cathy Sams reviewed the University's progress on achieving a Top 20 ranking with US News & World Report. She highlighted the areas of improvement in the 2009 ranking and anticipated "holding steady" or "improving."

Endowment Performance Report – Neill Cameron directed the Board's attention to the previously distributed materials regarding the CUF endowment performance.

Visitor Center Report– Mr. Cameron reviewed the Visitor Center Report.

Development & Alumni Report– Mr. Cameron reported that the University had achieved 28.5% alumni participation in donations, which exceeded the goal of 28%, and that annual giving was at \$43 million.

Research Committee Report

Trustee McKissick reviewed information items from the Research Committee, including the FY 2007-2008 Preliminary Research Award Report and the Preliminary Analysis of Research Productivity. He called on Chris Przirembel to offer further comments.

Student Affairs Committee Report

Information Items:

Undergraduate Student Government Report – Callie Boyd presented the Undergraduate Student Government Report. Items highlighted from the previously distributed written report included collaboration with members of the Administration, staff and faculty, plans for an absentee voting drive for the upcoming Presidential election, and a furniture drive to aid international students.

Graduate Student Government Report – Jason Schwier reviewed highlights of the written Graduate Student Government Report.

Vice President's Report – Gail DiSabatino highlighted items on the previously distributed Balanced Scorecard. This included success increasing undergraduate retention, student engagement and recognition in national survey of highest positive outcomes from Clemson's learning and living communities. In response to questions, Dr. DiSabatino reviewed Clemson's efforts to address concerns regarding alcohol use and culture.

Compensation Committee Report

Trustee Swann reported the Compensation Committee convened since the last Board meeting to review compensation for the new Chief Diversity Officer. The committee approved the compensation request.

Executive and Audit Committee Report

Chairman Hendrix reported that the Executive and Audit Committee reviewed a report from Internal Audit regarding an Enterprise Risk Assessment and went into executive session to discuss legal matters.

President's Report

President Barker reported two anecdotes regarding "Life in the President's Home." He noted the recent accolade from the Chronicle of Higher Education naming Clemson University as "best place to work." He praised the Board's commitment to shared governance as a significant reason for this determination. President Barker highlighted areas on the President's Report Card. President Barker also announced that Chairman Hendrix had been selected to receive the Clemson Medallion, Clemson's highest honor.

Adjourn

There being no further business, Chairman Hendrix adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Leddinger
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Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees

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Approved Date