

**Clemson University Board of Trustees
Clemson, South Carolina**

MINUTES

BOARD TELECONFERENCE

President's Conference Room - 201 Sikes Hall

June 6, 2007 - 10:00 A.M.

Call to Order

After notification as required by the Freedom of Information Act, the Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:04 A.M. with the following members present: Bill Hendrix, chair, presiding, Bill Amick, Tom McTeer, J.J. Britton¹, Louis Lynn, Joe Swann, Les McCraw, Smyth McKissick, Tom Lynch, Bob Peeler, David Wilkins, Lawrence Gressette (Emeritus), and Chalmers Eugene Troutman III, *Executive Secretary*. (All members were present via teleconference).

Administration Present: James Barker (via teleconference), Clay Steadman (via teleconference), Neill Cameron (via teleconference), Chris Przirembel (via teleconference), Bob Geolas (via teleconference), and Angie Leidinger (via teleconference), Marvin Carmichael, Steve Copeland, Gail DiSabatino², Doris Helms, Debbie Jackson, and Cathy Sams

Media Present: Liz Carey, *Anderson Independent Mail*, Anna Simon, *The Greenville News*, and Jim Hammond, *The State* (via teleconference) and Dian Knich, *Charleston Post and Courier* (via teleconference).

Others Present: Brett Dalton, Alan Godfrey, Robin Denny, John Gouch, and Jeannette Braine-Sperry

Introductions

Chairman Hendrix asked Robin Denny to introduced members of the Media present. All media were introduced.

Convene the Finance and Facilities Committee

Chairman Hendrix called on Smyth McKissick to convene the Finance and Facilities Committee.

Action Items

1. 2007-2008 Student Fee Proposal

Mr. McKissick convened the committee and asked President Barker to speak to the 2007 – 2008 student fee proposal. President Barker presented highlights of the

¹ Joined at 10:12am

² Joined at 10:10am

recommendation. He asked the Board to approve a 5% in-state and 10% out-of-state student fee increase, along with a \$50.00 per semester Library Fee for everyone except incoming Freshman. He said that the administration's efforts at efficiencies have reduced budget requests outlined in the 5 year plan from \$28.2 million to \$23.2 million.(Attachment A) President Barker thanked the South Carolina General Assembly for their continued support for higher education needs. Mr. McKissick commended the Administration for the \$5 million reduction. He called on Angie Leidingner to give an update on the status of the state budget and expected approval date. Angie said the budget has hit a minor snag and is not sure there will be budget approval by tomorrow. Angie presented the options that the legislature might take. Smyth asked President Barker to comment. President Barker presented options the Board could consider. After discussion by the full Board, by consensus, the Board decided to hold another teleconference Friday, June 8th if more information was available for the Board to make an informed decision.

2. CCIT Lease Approval Request

At this time Mr. McKissick moved the Committee to the next agenda item, the CCIT lease. (Attachment B)This new lease will be at College Station, 1007 Tiger Blvd. in Clemson, SC. The State Leasing Office negotiated the lease which is acceptable to Clemson University. Mr. Copeland said the space is needed for the CCIT business office, software contracts and licensing, communications, security and the research support group. The lease is for three years with the first year at \$10.50 per square foot for 8,100 square feet for a first year total of \$85,050.00. Year two and year three will be paid at \$11.00 per square foot for a total of \$89,100.00 each year. Mr. McKissick asked for a motion to approve the lease.

Action: Tom McTeer moved and Bob Peeler seconded the motion to lease the property at 1007 Tiger Blvd for a period of three years. The motion passed. Mr. McKissick adjourned the Finance and Facilities Committee.

Reconvene the Full Board

Mr. Hendrix reconvened the Board to vote on the CCIT lease. Mr. Hendrix called for the vote and the motion was passed unanimously.

Convene Research Committee

Chairman Hendrix called on Joe Swann to convene the Research Committee.

Action Items

1. Bioengineering Research Center

Mr. Swann convened the committee and asked Chris Przirembel to give a briefing on the Greenville Hospital System/Clemson Translational Bioengineering Research Center. Dr. Przirembel presented for approval that Clemson University would lease 30,811 square feet of bioengineering research space from the Greenville Hospital System for 15 years for one dollar per year. The leased space is located on the Greenville Hospital System Patewood Campus, fourth floor of Building C, 255 Enterprise Drive, Greenville, SC. Clemson University will upfit 19,550 square feet at a projected cost of \$3,500,000. The

leased space will be used for three areas: bioengineering focused on orthopedic and cardiovascular devices, rehabilitation and performance enhancement, and trauma data analysis. Dr. Przirembel said this has been through the complete certification process.

Mr. Swann called for discussion. Mr. Hendrix said this lease and upfit by Clemson University was discussed in great detail at the Research Committee the previous day. Mr. Swann asked for a motion to approve.

Action: Mr. Les McCraw moved to approve the lease and Mr. McKissick made the second. The committee approved unanimously. Mr. Swann adjourned the Research Committee.

Reconvene the Full Board

Chairman Hendrix reconvened the Board to vote on the Greenville Hospital System lease.

Action: Joe Swann moved to approve the Greenville Hospital lease. Tom Lynch seconded the motion. Mr. Hendrix called for the vote and the motion was passed unanimously.

Action Item

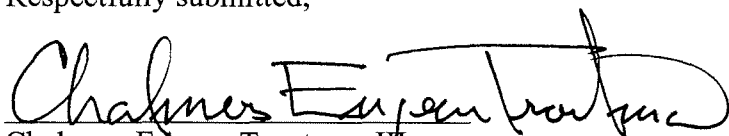
1. National Institute for Parks Naming Proposal

Chairman Hendrix called on Gene Troutman to introduce the National Institute for Parks Naming Proposal for Board approval. Mr. Troutman provided information on George B. Hartzog, Jr. and Helen Hartzog. Mr. Hartzog, a native South Carolinian, was the 7th Director of the National Park Service and during his administration the NPS experienced the largest expansion in the system's history. Clemson University established the George B. Hartzog, Jr. Environmental Lecture and Awards Program in 1978. For this reason and donor support, the institute would be named George B., Jr. and Helen C. Hartzog Institute for Parks. The naming nomination was submitted by faculty interest, approved by President Barker, full endorsed by Institutional Advancement, and seconded by the past chairman of the University Naming Committee.

Action: Tom McTeer made the motion and Les McCraw seconded the motion to name the National Institute for Parks for the Hartzogs' as specified above. Chairman Hendrix calls for discussion. Chairman Hendrix called for the vote and the motion was passed unanimously.

There being no further business, Chairman Hendrix adjourned the meeting at 10:35 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Chalmers Eugene Troutman III
Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees