

**Clemson University  
Clemson, South Carolina**

**MINUTES**

**of the teleconference of**

**THE CLEMSON UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
President's Conference Room, Sikes Hall  
Clemson, South Carolina  
Tuesday, July 24, 2001**

After notification as required by the Freedom of Information Act, the Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM with the following members present: Lawrence M. Gressette, Jr., presiding; J. J. Britton, Leon J. Hendrix, Jr., Harold D. Kingsmore, Louis B. Lynn, Leslie G. McCraw, E. Smyth McKissick, III, Thomas B. McTeer, Jr., William C. Smith, Jr., Louis P. Batson, Jr., W. G. DesChamps, P. W. McAlister, and J. Thornton Kirby, Executive Secretary

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Scott Ludlow, Chris Przirembel, and Cathy Sams

MEDIA PRESENT: Erica Hovie, *Greenville News* and Clayton Kayle, *Anderson Independent*

**Item 1. Introductions**

Statement: Chairman Gressette asked Executive Secretary Kirby to call the roll of Trustees participating by phone and to introduce guests in the room where the call was being initiated. After doing so, Mr. Kirby advised the Chairman that a quorum of the Board was present for the meeting.

**Item 2. Approval of Minutes**

Statement: Chairman Gressette noted that the minutes of the July 13, 2001 Board meeting had been distributed in advance of this meeting, and he asked if there were any additions or corrections. Mr. Kirby stated that a technical correction was needed to reflect that the Board met in a retreat setting on July 14 and 15, 2001, and he advised he would use the same language that appeared in the retreat minutes last year.

Action: Mr. Hendrix made a motion to approve the minutes with the technical correction offered, Dr. Britton seconded, and the vote of approval was unanimous.

**Item 3. Revisions to the Trustee Manual**

Statement: Chairman Gressette reminded the Board that several changes were needed in order to ensure the *Trustee Manual* conforms to the expectations of the Southern

Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). Chairman Gressette called on Mr. Kirby for an explanation of the changes to the manual (Attachment 1), and Mr. Kirby discussed briefly the recommended modifications.

Action: Mr. Kingsmore made a motion to approve the recommended changes to the *Trustee Manual*, Mr. McTeer seconded, and Chairman Gressette called for discussion. Dr. Lynn asked whether the Trustee Removal Policy as proposed conforms to all applicable state statutes, and Dr. Britton and Mr. Kirby assured Dr. Lynn that the proposed policy in no way alters the power of the General Assembly to elect or remove Trustees. Following the discussion, Chairman Gressette called for the vote, which was unanimous in favor of the motion.

#### **Item 4. Budget and Finance Committee**

Statement: Chairman Gressette called on Bill Hendrix to convene the Budget and Finance Committee for the purpose of considering two action items. Mr. Hendrix thanked the Chairman and convened the Budget and Finance Committee at 10:15 AM.

Following the meeting of the Budget and Finance Committee, Chairman Gressette reconvened the meeting of the full Board at 10:25 AM and called on Mr. Hendrix for the Committee's report.

Mr. Hendrix reported that the Budget and Finance Committee had considered two action items, a construction contract for Littlejohn Coliseum and a lease amendment for the College of Engineering and Sciences. Chairman Hendrix also noted that all Trustees present for this teleconference had heard the explanation of the two action items. On behalf of the Budget and Finance Committee, Mr. Hendrix made a motion to approve the construction bid for Littlejohn Coliseum and the lease amendment requested by the College of Engineering and Sciences, Dr. Britton seconded, and the vote of approval was unanimous.

#### **Item 5. Adjourn**

Statement: There being no further business, Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn and the vote of approval was unanimous. The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:25 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Thornton Kirby  
Executive Secretary to the  
Board of Trustees