

June 9, 1994

Clemson University  
Clemson, South Carolina

MINUTES

THE CLEMSON UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
AT&T Building  
Columbia, South Carolina  
June 9, 1994

After notification as required by the Freedom of Information Act, the Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:05 A.M. with the following members present: Bill L. Amick, presiding; Louis P. Batson, J. J. Britton, W. G. DesChamps, Louis Lynn, Patricia McAbee, Thomas McTeer, Buck Mickel (by phone), Philip Prince, Joe Swann, Allen Wood, P. W. McAlister, James C. Self (by phone) and Manning N. Lomax, Secretary

Administration Present: Max Lennon, Jay Gogue, Almeda Jacks, Charles Jennett, David Larson, Gary Ransdell, Milton Wise, Ben Anderson and Cathy Sams

Media Present: Jim Hammond, *Greenville News*; Bill Robinson, *The State*; and Lisa Bowie, *Anderson Independent-Mail*

**Item 1. Appointment of Acting President**

Statement: The Chairman announced that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the appointment of an acting president. He asked for a motion for the Board to go into executive session, as allowed under the S. C. Freedom of Information Act, for the purpose of discussing the appointment of an acting president. He further stated that no votes would be taken in closed session and the meeting would reconvene in open session at the conclusion of the Board's discussion.

**Executive Session**

Action: Dr. Britton moved that the Board go into executive session, Mr. DesChamps seconded and the vote was unanimous. The Board went into executive session at 10:10 A.M. Chairman Amick asked that Secretary Lomax and General Counsel Anderson remain during the executive session.

**Open Session**

Statement: The Board reconvened in open session at 11:20 A.M. The Chairman stated that during executive session the Board of Trustees held discussions regarding the appointment of an acting president and appeared to be nearing a

consensus. Therefore, they were returning to open session so that a vote could be taken. He opened the floor for nominations.

Action: Mr. Batson made the following nomination:

"I move that Mr. Phil Prince be elected Acting President of Clemson University for the interim period from the day Dr. Lennon vacates the Office of the Presidency to the day the new permanent President takes office or until this Board may decide to make any other interim arrangements. In making this motion, it is understood that Mr. Prince has given this Board full assurances that he is not nor will he become a candidate for the Presidency of Clemson University and that he will not in any way participate in the search and selection process for the new President which is now under way. I further move that during this interim period, Mr. Prince be given the full confidence of this Board and full authority to exercise the duties, powers and responsibilities of the presidency of Clemson University."

Mr. Mickel seconded the motion. Chairman Amick asked for other nominations. Hearing none and before calling for a vote, he stated that Mr. Prince was not in the meeting during the Board's discussion. He asked Mr. Prince if he was willing to accept this appointment.

Mr. Prince made the following statement:

"Mr. Chairman, I do accept the nomination under the conditions stipulated in the motion and two additional conditions: (1) -- that I immediately resign my position as life trustee. It would not be appropriate for one person to hold both positions, and (2) -- that I be permitted to return my paycheck to the institution in the form of a personal contribution to the Clemson University Foundation."

Mr. Amick accepted Mr. Prince's conditions along with those outlined in Mr. Batson's motion. He then called for a motion to close the nominations. Dr. Britton made a motion to close the nominations, Mr. Wood seconded and the vote was unanimous to close.

Mr. Mickel requested a roll call vote on the motion and second to elect Philip Prince as the Acting President of Clemson University. The Chairman asked the Secretary of the Board to call the roll.

Action: All members of the Board of Trustees who were present voted to elect Mr. Prince the Acting President.

Chairman Amick congratulated Mr. Prince and made the following statement for the record:

June 9, 1994

"We would be hard pressed to find an individual who has been more loyal and devoted to Clemson University than Phil Prince -- a man who has served as a policy-maker, volunteer, donor, campaign leader, fan, cheerleader, virtually any capacity you could name. We, as a Board, pledge our support to you as you accept this new challenge."

Mr. Prince stated that he was honored by the confidence placed in him by the Board of Trustees. He expressed his sincere regret at having to leave the Board and indicated that he was honored to have served with the Trustees and honored to serve for them in the future. He further stated that with the help of the Board, faculty, students, staff and Clemson supporters, he was confident that the University would move further on to greatness.

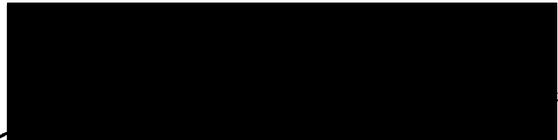
President Lennon stated that this Board is truly unique and historians will recognize the brilliance of the decision that was made today. He expressed his opinion that Philip Prince is totally committed to Clemson University, and his professional background is perfect to carry on the important decisions that will need to be made to position Clemson University for the future. Dr. Lennon thanked the Board for its leadership and stated that he is looking forward to being as supportive of the University in his new position as he can.

Chairman Amick thanked President Lennon for his leadership.

**Item 2. Adjournment**

Statement: Mr. DesChamps made a motion to adjourn, Mr. McTeer seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Manning N. Lomax  
Secretary of the  
Board of Trustees