

CLEMSON UNIVERSITY  
CLEMSON, SOUTH CAROLINA  
MINUTES  
of the meeting of  
THE CLEMSON UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
HOLMES BALLROOM, CLEMSON HOUSE  
Friday, April 5, 1991

After notification as required by the Freedom of Information Act, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Batson at 2:50 p.m. with the following present: Louis P. Batson, Jr., Chairman, presiding, Bill Amick, J. J. Britton, W. G. DesChamps, Lawrence Gressette, Louis Lynn, Tom McTeer, Buck Mickel, Bill Neely, Phil Prince, Joe Swann, Allen Wood, Fletcher Derrick, Paul Quattlebaum, Les Tindal, Jim Self, P. W. McAlister, Hugh Clausen, Secretary.

Members of the Administration Present: President Lennon, David Maxwell, Gary Ransdell, David Larson, Milt Wise, Nick Lomax, Jay Gogue, Ben Anderson

Others Present: Almeda Jacks, Joy Smith, Francis Canavan, Roger Patterson, Debbie DuBose, Jeff McNeill, Jack Wilson, Margaret Pridgen, Greg Horton, Derrick Pierce, Pat Padgett

The Chairman recognized Cathy Sams to introduce the media present: Jenny Munro (Greenville News), Tom Johnson (Anderson Independent Mail)

Minutes of the January 11, February 14 and February 22, 1991 meetings were approved as amended.

The Secretary presented the audit report.

Mr. DesChamps stated that there were no agenda items from the Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.

Mr. Gressette asked that David Larson present the report from the Budget and Finance Committee.

Jack Wilson presented an update on facilities.

Roger Patterson reviewed the 1990-91 Budget Analysis Update. (copy on file) Mr. Patterson stated that the budget office is doing everything possible to hold down tuition increases.

Mr. Larson briefed the Board on the plan for coping with the recent budget cut. (Attachment A) The projected rate of funding under the formula is currently at 75.2 percent. A \$54 million back log of deferred maintenance will go un-funded again this year. Even though South Carolina is in a poor funding situation, some other states are in much worse shape.

Mr. Mickel recognized David Maxwell to present the Educational Policy Committee report.

The first action item for the EPC was a request from the College of Nursing to approve the budget of the Home Health Program. There is also a need to appoint a review group to look at the program on an annual basis. It was suggested that the EPC serve as the review group. This program was discussed at length at the last EPC meeting and the Committee recommends approval of the budget as presented and appointment of the EPC as the review group for the program.

Mr. Mickel moved that the Home Health Program budget be approved as presented and that the EPC serve as the review group for the program. Mr. Neely seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Dr. Maxwell presented a request from the Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology for a name change. In order to more appropriately reflect the business of the department, it is requested that the name be changed to Agricultural and Applied Economics.

Mr. DesChamps moved approval to change the name of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology to Agricultural and Applied Economics. Mr. McTeer seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Prince presented the Institutional Advancement Committee report.

Debbie DuBose was recognized for an award presentation. Mr. Jim Self was presented the Honorary Alumnus of Clemson University Award. Mr. Self was given a standing ovation.

Dr. Ransdell presented a third quarter report on giving. (Attachment B) Corporations continue to lead in giving; however, total gifts are up by 36% this year. The March 31, 1990 figure was at \$8,461,592 as compared to \$11,476,823 this year. Dr. Ransdell gave an update on legislative matters.

Mr. Amick was asked to present the Student Affairs Committee report.

Mr. Lomax stated that a model of the new Johnstone Hall is available for viewing by the Board and guests.

Derrick Pierce was recognized for a report from the students. Mr. Lomax stated that Mr. Pierce has provided excellent leadership this past year and that the Administration is proud of the cooperative manner in which he has conducted the business of the students. Mr. Pierce received an ovation from the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Pierce reviewed the accomplishments made by the student body over the past year and cited the following improvements: larger voter turn-out on student elections; closer relationship with the administration; cost containment for organizations; increased communication and cooperation between organizations; new East Campus Activity Center; social policy reform; opening of crucial service areas during lunch hour (12 noon-1:00 p.m.); and others. Mr. Pierce also thanked the President for the leadership working dinner that proved to be most successful and thanked all of the members of the administration and Board of Trustees for their cooperation and dedication to students.

Greg Horton was introduced as the new Student Body President. Mr. Horton commended Mr. Pierce for his leadership in improving the morale of students and creating a better working relationship with the Student Development Office.

Mr. Amick congratulated Mr. Horton on his election to the office of Student Body President and stated that he is looking forward to working with Mr. Horton this year.

The Secretary presented the following mail ballot for ratification by the State Crop Pest Commission:

- (1) Revisions to the Imported Fire Ant Quarantine Regulations - February 11, 1991.

Mr. Amick moved that the above stated mail ballot be ratified. Mr. DesChamps seconded and the vote was unanimous.

The Secretary presented the following mail ballots for ratification as a package by the full Board:

- (1) Space Leased by the CU Agricultural Extension Service in U.S. Government Building in Manning, SC - February 4, 1991. Approval was given for a rent increase from \$9,516.00 to \$10,508.00.
- (2) Performing Arts Center Bids - February 7, 1991. A construction contract awarded to RPR & Associates of Columbia, SC in the amount of \$9,140,772.00.
- (3) Renewal of Lease 2071 (University Square) - February 26, 1991. Approval was given for lease renewal for 21,774 square feet of space for three years at the annual aggregate amount of \$195,966.00.

- (4) Littlejohn Coliseum Reroof/Renovate - March 5, 1991. A construction contract was awarded to Marsh/Bell Construction Company, Inc. of Piedmont, SC in the amount of \$232,990.00.
- (5) Awarding of Honorary Degrees to Dan Rostenkowski and Billy G. McCall at the May 10, 1991 commencement - March 5, 1991.
- (6) Construction Contract for Pee Dee Research and Education Center, Phase XII, Pesticide Handling Facility - March 14, 1991. A contract was awarded to Dan Askins Company of Hartsville, SC in the amount of \$212,000.00.

Mr. Mickel moved that the mail ballots listed above be ratified as a package. Mr. McTeer seconded and the vote was unanimous.

President Lennon reported that the administration is taking the budget situation very seriously and that guidelines have been drafted to help the deans and department heads cope with their financial difficulties. While visiting the extension offices across the state, Dr. Lennon has been presented with some good ideas for "doing more with less". The President urged the PSA administration to be supportive of these ideas. The state will not fund our needs - the resources just aren't there. We must tackle our problems with new ideas and vigor and dismantle bureaucracy that does not allow us to move forward in an efficient way. Partnerships outside the university are being strongly encouraged. Dr. Lennon stated that these difficult times present a challenge to all state agencies and that Clemson will meet that challenge.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m. by the Chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Hugh J. Clausen  
Secretary of the  
Board of Trustees