

Clemson University
Clemson, South Carolina

MINUTES

of the telephonic conference meeting of

THE CLEMSON UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Originated in Room 201, Sikes Hall
Clemson, South Carolina

Tuesday, December 9, 1986

The Board convened at 10 A.M. with the following members present: Louis P. Batson, Chairman, presiding; Bill L. Amick, James E. Bostic, Jr., Robert R. Coker, Fletcher C. Derrick, Jr., W. G. DesChamps, Jr., Paul W. McAlister, Thomas B. McTeer, Jr., James C. Self, B. Marion Smith, James M. Waddell, Jr., and Hugh J. Clausen, Secretary

Members Absent: William N. Geiger, Jr. and Buck Mickel

Trustees Emeriti Absent: A. M. Quattlebaum, Paul Quattlebaum and D. Leslie Tindal

Members of the Administration Present: President Max Lennon, Walter Cox, David Larson, Nick Lomax, Ben Anderson, Jerry Reel and Jack McKenzie

Member of the Press Present: Terry Cregar, Greenville News

1. The Board unanimously ratified the following mail ballot actions:
 - A. Sale of approximately .057 of an acre of land to the Town of Hollywood for the construction of a sewer system
 - B. Sale and lease of land near the Florence Farmers' Market to USDA

2. The Board was briefed by the University Counsel concerning the Freedom of Information Act request from Charles Owen, the former University Fire Chief, which was received on November 21, 1986 for "any and all reports, statements, records, notes, memos, recordings and/or other information pertaining to the investigation conducted by James Christopher for Clemson University." The members of the Board present unanimously voted to deny Mr. Owen's request and unanimously adopted the resolution shown at Attachment 1.

3. Dr. Reel briefed the Board on the Administration's recommendation that the drama section of the Department of English be combined with the Department of Music to comprise the Department of Performing Arts. The Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

4. Dr. Reel presented the recommendation from the Educational Policy Committee that the following programmatic reviews be made during 1987 and 1988:

1987 - Liberal Arts and Commerce and Industry at the April meeting,

Agriculture and Forestry, the PSA portion only, at the July meeting.

1988 - Architecture and Nursing at the April meeting,

Computer Center at the July meeting.

The Board unanimously adopted the above schedule.


5. Dr. Reel briefed the Board concerning the Carnegie Foundation Report in regard to the quality and problems of undergraduate education.

6. The Vice President for Business and Finance updated the Board concerning the construction of the Strom Thurmond Institute. The Board unanimously reaffirmed its prior decision that the total construction cost of the Strom Thurmond Institute would not exceed 5. million dollars.

7. President Lennon briefed the Board concerning some information in the December 10, 1986 issue of the Chronicle on Higher Education regarding rank of universities based on research programs. He informed the Board that Clemson University ranked number 89 on that list.

8. There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 10:40 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Hugh B. Glausen
Secretary of the
Board of Trustees