The Board convened at 2:00 p.m. with the following members present: Paul W. McAlister, Chairman, presiding; Robert R. Coker, T. Kenneth Cribb, W. G. DesChamps, Jr., Lewis F. Holmes, E. Oswald Lightsey, Thomas B. McTeer, Jr., Buck Mickel, Paul Quattlebaum, Jr., James C. Self, D. Leslie Tindal and James M. Waddell, Jr.

Others present were: Robert C. Edwards, Walter T. Cox, Victor Hurst, Stanley G. Nicholas, Melford A. Wilson, George H. Aull, Jr., J. Garner Bagnal, Billy L. Edge, Melvin C. Long, E. N. Tyndall, and Joseph B. McDevitt, Secretary.

Item 1. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of June 19, 1976, heretofore submitted by mail to all members of the Board of Trustees, were approved as submitted.

Item 2. Selection Process for Vice President for Business and Finance

Statement: At its meeting on June 19, 1976, the Board of Trustees, taking cognizance of the imminent retirement of the Vice President for Business and Finance, authorized the Chairman to set in motion the means for securing the replacement for this critical position. The Chairman appointed a committee of three Trustees to develop a selection process. Mr. Self was appointed Chairman, and Messrs. Cribb and McCabe as members. The Committee has carried out its mandate and has submitted its report to the Executive Committee. The recommended selection process has been developed, taking into account the comments of the members of the Board, the President, the Faculty, the Students, members of the Administration and the Alumni. The Executive Committee has approved the report and a copy is attached to this agenda.
Recommendation of the Executive Committee: That the Board of Trustees approve the attached "Clemson University, Selection Process, Vice President for Business and Finance, September 1976."

Board Action: Approved.

Item 3. Statement by the Clemson University Board of Trustees Regarding the Interim Lakeshore Management Plan for Hartwell Lake Project

Statement: A Congressional Committee will hold hearings in Anderson, South Carolina on September 10 and 11, 1976 concerning the Corps of Engineers Interim Lakeshore Management Plan for Hartwell Lake Project. Inasmuch as Clemson University owns lands adjacent to approximately 100 miles of Corps of Engineers lands fronting on Lake Hartwell, the staff of the Congressional Committee requested that the Board of Trustees of Clemson University express its position with respect to the Interim Lakeshore Management Plan.

Recommendation of the Executive Committee: That the following position of the Board of Trustees be made available in writing to the Congressional Investigating Committee:

"Clemson University is a land-grant, state-supported university located at Clemson, South Carolina. The Clemson University campus, Experimental Forest, and some agricultural research areas lie adjacent to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers' Lake Hartwell. Thus Clemson University is vitally concerned with the 'Lakeshore Management Plan for Hartwell Lake Project.'

"During the public review process the University, by letter and through statements at public hearings, suggested a designation of 'Educational-Research Shoreline' for all Lake Hartwell shoreline adjacent to Clemson University property. As an alternative, it was requested that all shoreline adjacent to Clemson University property be designated as 'Protected Shoreline Areas.' Clemson University's reason for requesting these designations was to provide adequate protection to the teaching and research activities carried out on Clemson's property adjacent to Corps of Engineers' shoreline.

"As published, the 'Rules and Regulations Concerning Public Use of Water Resource Development Projects Administered by the Chief of Engineers' did not contain an 'Educational-Research Shoreline,' but the designation 'Protected Shoreline Classification' was included."
"The Interim 'Lakeshore Management Plan for Hartwell Lake Project' designates most lakeshore adjacent to Clemson University property as 'Protected Shoreline Areas.' The Board of Trustees of Clemson University considers that the designation 'Educational-Research Shoreline' would have been more appropriate because it could have provided that the shoreline properties adjacent to Clemson University property could have been administered and managed as a unit with Clemson's land for educational and research purposes. However, the designation 'Protected Shoreline Area' for all shoreline adjacent to Clemson University property should enable Clemson to meet its responsibilities for teaching, research and public service on its lands, and Clemson University has no objection to this designation for shoreline adjacent to its property."

Board Action: Approved.

Item 4. New Lease Agreement for Camp Bob Cooper

Statement: On November 17, 1950 the S. C. Public Service Authority leased to the then Clemson Agricultural College 113.5 acres of land in Clarendon County which was subsequently developed by the College, now University, for use by statewide 4-H Clubs. The lease period was for 32 years, expiring in 1982. The Director of the Cooperative Extension Service, desiring to formulate long-range plans for the maintenance and improvement of facilities at Camp Bob Cooper, requested that an extension of the lease be obtained from the Public Service Authority. By letter dated September 1, 1976, the Manager, Project Lands, Management Division, S. C. Public Service Authority, forwarded for execution by the appropriate University authority a new lease, effective upon signature by all parties, for a 40-year lease period. The provisions of the lease are acceptable to the Administration.

Recommendation of the Executive Committee: That the Board of Trustees authorize execution of the new lease agreement for Camp Bob Cooper by the Chairman and the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, and that the Administration express the appreciation of the Board to the S. C. Public Service Authority for its complete cooperation and support of the past and future activities of the 4-H Clubs of the State of South Carolina.

Board Action: Approved.
Item 5. City of Clemson Request for Sewer Line Right-of-Way Easement

Statement: The City of Clemson requested a sewer right-of-way across University property in the Twelve Mile Creek Division north of the Southern Railway tracks. It would be 10 feet in width, 774 feet long and include .145 acres. Disturbed soil would be reseeded and the surface use would be retained by the University. Consideration would be nominal ($1.00). The property is under the cognizance of the Forestry Department which interposes no objection. By mail ballot of July 23, 1976 the members of the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the granting of the easement.

Recommendation of the Executive Committee: That the interim action of the Board of Trustees by mail ballot approving the granting of the sewer right-of-way to the City of Clemson be confirmed and ratified.

Board Action: Confirmed and ratified.

Item 6. City of Florence Easement for Sewer Line at Pee Dee Experiment Station

Statement: The City of Florence requested the granting of an easement for the construction of a section of sanitary sewer line on the northwest corner of the Pee Dee Station. The easement would run roughly alongside a creek which lies between the property of the Station and property belonging to E. W. and Zula Mae Nance. Dr. Pitner, Superintendent of the Station; Dr. Godley, Director of the Experiment Station; and Mr. George Hardy, Station Agricultural Engineer, are of the opinion that the construction of a sewer line will not adversely affect the present use, or the value of the property. In fact, inasmuch as the City of Florence will install a check valve along with a 6-inch stub out with a plugged 6-inch gate valve which will enable either the University, or future owners, to tap into the sewer line, the value of the property will thus be enhanced by construction of the line. By mail ballot of June 24, 1976 the members of the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the granting of the requested easement.

Recommendation of the Executive Committee: That the action by the members of the Board by mail ballot, approving the granting of the sewer line easement to the City of Florence be confirmed and ratified.

Board Action: Confirmed and ratified.

Item 7. Addition to Tennis Facilities -- Twelve Courts

Statement: At its meeting on April 10, 1976 the Board of Trustees authorized the Administration to construct thirteen (13) new tennis courts. Bids were solicited for the construction of twelve (12) courts. The bids were opened
publicly in Room 300, Sikes Hall, at 2:00 p.m., August 3, 1976. Two bids were received as follows:

Carolina Courts and Tracks
Matthews, North Carolina

Ashmore Brothers, Inc.
Greenville, South Carolina

By mail ballot of August 12, 1976 the members of the Board of Trustees unanimously approved the recommendation of the Administration that the contract be awarded to the low bidder, Carolina Courts and Tracks, Matthews, North Carolina, in the total amount of $116,411.00.

Recommendation of the Executive Committee: That the mail ballot approval by the members of the Board of Trustees of the awarding of the contract for construction of tennis courts to Carolina Courts and Tracks, Matthews, North Carolina, in the total amount of $116,411.00 be confirmed and ratified.

Board Action: Confirmed and ratified.

Item 8. Policy Concerning Charitable Contributions to Clemson University

Statement: The Board at its meeting on April 10, 1976 adopted the policy that future charitable contributions to benefit the University should be made to the Clemson University Foundation. The Planning Committee notes that substantial funds contributed to the University in the past are currently managed by agencies other than the Foundation. It is the Committee's belief and conviction that substantial financial benefits in the form of long-range appreciation of capital, and reasonable and increasing income will be realized from the Foundation's skilled, professional management of such resources.

Recommendation of the Planning Committee: That the policy adopted April 10, 1976 that future charitable contributions be made to the Clemson University Foundation be broadened to express the Board's position that the Administration should take all measures legally feasible to have previously contributed funds of the University currently managed by agencies other than the Clemson University Foundation transferred to the Foundation.

Board Action: Approved and adopted.

Statement: The University is required to submit to the Commission on Higher Education a listing of capital improvement projects considered essential during the five-year period beginning July 1, 1977. This report is for information only and does not constitute a request for approval or funding of any project. The Planning Committee has examined the report proposed to be submitted by the Administration and considers that it accurately forecasts the capital improvement needs of the University during the five-year period.

Recommendation of the Planning Committee: That the Board of Trustees approve, in principle, the five-year forecast, recognizing that changes in requirements and priorities will necessitate subsequent modifications in the projects as currently listed.

Board Action: Approved.

Item 10. Official Residence #2

Statement: Ready availability of desirable housing accommodations might be an essential requirement in securing a suitable replacement for the Vice President for Business and Finance.

Recommendation of the Planning Committee: That the Board rescind its action of January 10, 1976 which authorized the Administration to sell official Residence #2.

Board Action: Approved.

Item 11. State Institution Bonds

Statement: In order to comply with the provisions of Chapter 2, Title 22, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1962, as now amended, it is appropriate that provision be made to use certain surpluses under certain conditions to defease State Institution Bonds heretofore issued for Clemson University. The Honorable Grady L. Patterson, Jr., State Treasurer, and Huger Sinkler, Esquire, Attorney and Counsellor at Law, recommend that an appropriate Resolution to effect this be adopted.

Recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee: That the Board of Trustees adopt the following Resolution:
Resolved that the State Budget and Control Board be and is hereby requested to defease as many State Institution Bonds issued for Clemson University as surplus moneys in the Sinking Fund established for State Institution Bonds issued for Clemson University permit.

Board Action: Adopted.

Item 12. Statutory Roll Call Vote

Resolution: RESOLVED, that all measures and recommendations made at this, the September 10, 1976 meeting, which according to the By-Laws require a roll call vote of nine or more members, be hereby adopted and confirmed, and that the Vice President for Business and Finance be authorized to issue his checks for all expenditures authorized at this meeting.

Board Action: The Resolution was adopted with twelve members present voting "Aye."

Item 13. Adjournment

There being no further public business, the meeting of the Board was adjourned and the Board went into Executive Session upon unanimous vote of the twelve Board members present. No formal action was taken in Executive Session; therefore, the Board did not reopen in public session.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph H. McDevitt
Secretary of the Board of Trustees