

Clemson University
Clemson, South Carolina

MINUTES
**TELECONFERENCE OF THE
CLEMSON UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Clemson, South Carolina
March 31, 2020
8:00 a.m.

Call to Order

Notification as required by the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act was given at least twenty-four hours before the meeting by posting the notice and agenda on the entrance of Sikes Hall, Clemson University and on the Clemson University Board of Trustees website. Additionally, notice of, and the agenda for, the meeting was sent via email to the distribution list maintained by the Office of Media Relations which includes approximately 80 reporters and editors at the major daily newspapers, television and radio stations in S.C.

After notification as required by the Freedom of Information Act, Trustee McKissick, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with the following present:

Trustees (all via phone/video): Smyth McKissick, *Chairman, presiding*; David Dukes; Ronnie Lee; Louis Lynn, Patti McAbee; Nicky McCarter; Bob Peeler; Cheri Phyfer; Mark Richardson; Bill Smith; Joe Swann; Kim Wilkerson; and David Wilkins

Trustees Emeriti: J.J. Britton, Bill Hendrix, and Allen Wood

Administration: James P. Clements, *President*; Chip Hood, *General Counsel and Secretary to the Board of Trustees*; Max Allen, *Vice President and Chief of Staff*; Robert Donato, *Chief Strategy Officer*; Bob Jones, *Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost*; Mark Land, *Vice President for University Relations*; Angie Leidinger, *Vice President for External Affairs*; Tony Wagner, *Executive Vice President for Finance and Operations*; and Chris Miller, *Interim Vice President for Student Affairs*

Guests: Joe Galbraith, *Media Relations*; Rose Ellen Davis-Gross, *Office of the Board of Trustees*; Cathy Howe, *Director, Internal Audit*; Greg Mullen, *Chief, CUPD*; Jon Clayton, *CCIT*; Doug Henry, *CCIT*; and Sally Mauldin, *Office of the Board of Trustees*

Media: Riley Morningstar, *The Journal*; Zoe Nicholson, *Greenville News*; Jadon Brown, *Fox Carolina*; and Matt Moore, *WYFF*

Joe Galbraith noted there were members of the media in attendance.

Sally Mauldin called roll of the Board of Trustees. Chairman McKissick noted that a quorum was present.

Information Items

1. COVID-19: General Update

President Clements spoke about the current state of Clemson University with respect to COVID-19.

2. COVID-19: Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Update

Greg Mullen provided an update.

3. COVID-19: Academic Update

Bob Jones provided an update.

4. COVID-19: Legislative Update

Angie Leidinger provided an update.

5. COVID-19: Financial Update

Tony Wagner provided an update.

Questions and discussion followed.

Executive Session

Chairman McKissick said it was necessary to go into executive session to discuss COVID-19 related pending contractual matters, personnel matters, safety and security measures, and to receive legal advice regarding liabilities and claims and other matters covered by the attorney client privilege.

He said no votes or action would be taken while in executive session.

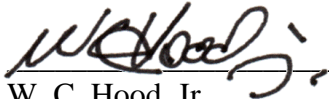
Trustee McCarter moved to enter into executive session. Trustee Lee seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board entered into executive session at 8:33 a.m. and returned to open session at 9:12 a.m.

Adjourn

There being no further business, Chairman McKissick adjourned the meeting at 9:12 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



W. C. Hood, Jr.
Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Approved:



Signature

April 23, 2020
Date