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After notification as required by the Freedom of Information Act, the meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 2:00 p.m. with the following present: Louis P. Batson, Jr., Chairman, presiding; Bill L. Amick, John J. Britton, Fletcher C. Derrick, Jr., W. G. DesChamps, Jr., Louis B. Lynn, Paul W. McAlister, Thomas B. McTeer, Jr., Buck Mickel, James C. Self, B. Marion Smith, Allen P. Wood, and Hugh J. Clausen, Secretary

Trustees Absent: Senator James M. Waddell

Trustees Emeriti Present: Paul Quattlebaum

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

Others Present: President Emeritus Walter Cox, Ron Nowaczyk, James Yonce, Phillip Prince, James Patterson, Jamey Rootes, Opal Hipps, Mark Eisengrein, Jeff McNeill, Jack Wilson, Mike Heintze, and Charles Sullivan

Members of the Media Present: Cathy Sams, University News Services; Jenny Munro, Greenville News; Dwight McBride, Anderson Independent; Steve Smith, The State

Mr. DesChamps moved that minutes of the following meetings be approved: April 8, 1988, May 4, 1988 and June 24, 1988. The motion was seconded by Dr. Derrick and passed unanimously.
The date and time of the next meeting was discussed. No date was set; however, the Board asked that the Chairman and the Secretary meet to determine the date.

The Secretary presented resolutions of appreciation for Dr. James E. Bostic and Mr. William N. Geiger, Jr. for Board approval.

Dr. Derrick moved that the resolutions be adopted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Amick and passed unanimously.

A resolution of appreciation and the bestowing of title -- Vice President for Development Emeritus for Mr. Stanley G. Nicholas was presented for action.

Mr. McAlister moved that the resolution and title be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith and passed unanimously.

The Secretary presented the audit report.

The Chairman recognized Mr. Amick to present the newly formed Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee report. Mr. Amick stated that the time-frame between installation of the Committee and today's meeting did not allow time for a formal Committee meeting. Although there was no report, Mr. Amick stated that he was very pleased with the interest and enthusiasm expressed by the members of the Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

The Chairman recognized Mr. McTeer to present the Budget and Finance Committee report. Mr. McTeer stated that the members of the Office of Business and Finance have put forth great efforts to develop a workable budget for 1988-89. At this time Mr. McTeer called on Mr. Larson to present the 1988-89 budget.

Mr. Larson stated that the proposed budget for 1988-89 had been sent to the Board earlier for their review. Mr. Larson reviewed the impact statements and commended his staff for their efforts. Mr. Larson feels that we have come a long way with funding, but we still have a lot of work to do.

Mr. McTeer moved that the 1988-89 budget be adopted as presented. After a second from Dr. Britton, the motion passed unanimously.

As an information item, Mr. Larson reviewed the attached facilities status report. (Attachment A)

Chairman Batson recognized Mr. Smith to report on the Educational Policy Committee. Mr. Smith referred to a proposal from the College of Nursing with respect to a home
health services project. This material was submitted to the Board earlier for review. In order to obtain a Certificate of Need as a licensed home health agency, a letter of support must be obtained from the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Smith moved that the approval of the Board for this project be granted and further, that the Administration be authorized to convey this approval as necessary.

Dr. Lynn seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. McAlister stated it should be noted that this project would be self-supporting and that there would be no increase in cost to the University. It was also noted that without the Certificate of Need, only certain functions of health care can be performed. If the project is to be effective, health care persons must be able to perform all functions needed.

Mr. Smith noted that this completed the Educational Policy Report; however, there was a joint effort with this Committee and the Student Affairs Committee to develop the out-of-State enrollment policy to be presented by the Chairman of the Student Affairs Committee later in the agenda.

The Chairman recognized Mr. McAlister for the Institutional Advancement Report. Mr. McAlister called on the new President of the Clemson University Foundation, Mr. Phil Prince to give his report.

Mr. Prince stated that the University has had an outstanding fund-raising year with an increase in all categories of giving. Private support is up over 40 percent from last year. Total support for academic programs at Clemson surpassed $10 million for the first time in Clemson's history. This year marked the first of $1 million unrestricted giving to the Loyalty Fund with almost 15,000 individual donors. The Gift Club membership grew from 430 in 1987 to 651 in 1988. Mr. Prince ensured the Board that these and the many other accomplishments over the past year were all a direct reflection of the excellent leadership of his predecessors and asked for the Board's continued support.

Mr. McAlister recognized Dr. Ransdell and commended him on an outstanding year. Dr. Ransdell stated that the objective 18 months ago was to do a better job. All areas of Institutional Advancement were high lighted by Dr. Ransdell for their individual accomplishments. Dr. Ransdell expressed his appreciation to everyone involved in helping make this the best year ever for Institutional Advancement.
Mr. McAlister pointed out that the accomplishments in funding would not have been possible without the excellent support from the Board members and the Administration.

The Chairman recognized Mr. Self who in turn asked Mr. Lomax to present the Student Affairs Committee report.

Mr. Lomax briefly reviewed the attached resolution which relates to out-of-state enrollment. (Attachment B) Mr. Lomax explained that 33 percent provides a desirable mixture. Approximately 15 percent of the 33 percent are legacies.

Mr. Self moved that the resolution be adopted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mickel and passed unanimously.

The second action item presented by Mr. Lomax was a recommendation from the "Special Advisory Committee on Names" to name the stadium press box in honor of Mr. Robert C. Bradley, Director of Sports Information.

Mr. Mickel moved that the recommendation be approved. Dr. Britton seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The media was asked not to make this announcement. A formal announcement will be made at the North Carolina vs Clemson football game.

The following information items were presented. Thirty-nine students were involved with the STEP program this Summer. Results of the exams are not in yet; however, all indications are that the first phase of the program was a success. Approximately 2,950 freshmen are expected in the Fall. Transfer students are up slightly from last year. Agriculture, Textiles and Nursing have made significant increases in enrollment this year. We are filled to capacity in housing. In addition to students returning, 2,291 freshmen have been provided with housing. Another 255 students are on a waiting list and will not receive housing until the start of the Spring semester. New housing has been approved by the Commission on Higher Education. Construction is hoped to begin in mid 1989. A total of 57,874 season football tickets have been sold for 1988. It is hoped that the IPTAY and Athletic Ticket Center will be completed by September 1st. Jervey Center renovations and the baseball stadium addition are expected to begin in October and November, respectively. The academic learning center has been approved at the state level and we are hoping to begin construction by Spring or early Summer 1989.

Mr. Lomax recognized Mr. Jamey Rootes who expressed enthusiasm for the coming year. Mr. Rootes reported on the August 1st presentation of the check of $7,500.00 to the U. S. Olympic fund. There was total student participation and
everyone worked hard to make this project a success. It was pointed out that this was the first time a University had undertaken such a project, but that other universities are expected to follow this lead. Mr. McTeer stated that we should commend the students for their efforts.

Dr. Lynn reminded everyone of the Gantt Scholars Dinner to be held on September 2nd at the Hyatt Regency--Greenville. The dinner is to formally announce the Gantt Scholarship Program and to pay tribute to Harvey Gantt. Dr. Lynn says that the program is expected to exceed the $1 million goal.

The Secretary presented the following mail action ballots for ratification:

A. State Crop Pest Commission

1. Revisions of Witchweed Quarantine
   Update of regulated areas and regulations

B. Full Board -- Unanimous Actions

1. Renaming of 4-H Camp Bob Cooper and 4-H Camp Long to Robert Cooper and W. W. Long 4-H Leadership Centers, respectively. This would more correctly reflect the present and future use of these areas and to give complete recognition to Mr. Long (past Cooperative Extension Director) and Mr. Cooper (a past Trustee).

2. Approval of negotiations to acquire Geneva Brown and Etta Hall properties. Acquisition of these two properties would consolidate holdings and be of long range benefit to Clemson University.

3. Roland Ernst Schoenike Arboretum
   Dr. Schoenike served as a faculty member in Forestry Department for approximately 24 years. Primarily responsible for the establishment and growth of the arboretum.

4. Seed Certification Standards and Fee Structure
   Upgrading standards for seed certification and simplification of fee structure.

5. Changes to Student Handbook
   Update and clarify powers reserved to the administration in handling student disciplinary cases.

6. Increase in housing rental rates
Necessary to meet self-supporting requirement for auxiliary enterprises as stipulated by state law.

7. Duties of Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee.
Changing duty related to appointment of State Crop Pest Commission and State Fertilizer Board of Control.

8. Albert M. Musser Fruit Research Center
Naming the new fruit research center for Dr. Musser. Dr. Musser was head of the Horticulture Department for approximately 23 years.

9. Taze Leonard Senn Horticulture Gardens
Dr. Senn served in the Horticulture Department for 20 years. He led the development of the gardens.

10. Approval to advertise and solicit bids to sell a portion of the Sandhill Research and Education Center
Request to proceed with efforts to sell land at the Center known as the "hard scrabble" property.

11. Southern Bell right-of-way in Oconee County
Granting approval to place transformer box on Clemson property in Oconee County. No facilities are involved.

Mr. Mickel moved that all of the above mail action ballots be approved as a package. Mr. Self seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

C. Other Full Board Ratifications

1. South Carolina Electric and Gas Company right-of-way Easement at Catfish Demonstration Facility in Hampton County.
To allow for needed power line.
(Marion Smith abstained--Vice President, South Carolina Electric and Gas)

Mr. McTeer moved that the mail action ballot in item 1 above be ratified, seconded by Dr. Britton. The vote was unanimous with one abstention

2. Sublease for the Office of Public Affairs Office space rental from the Santee Cooper Authority
(Mr. Geiger abstained--architect/developer AT&T Building)
3. Clemson University/1890 Extension and South Carolina National Bank/Trustee Kinney Foundation Lease
One year lease for office space needed by Cooperative Extension Service in Bennettsville, SC. (Dr. Bostic abstained--member South Carolina National Bank Board)

Mr. Smith moved that items 2 and 3 above be ratified as a package. The motion was seconded by Dr. Derrick and passed unanimously.

Chairman Batson expressed his appreciation to the President and his administration for the fine job they are doing. The Chairman offered, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, full endorsement of the President and his administration.

President Lennon thanked the Board by stating that no institution could have a more supportive Board than what we have at Clemson University. The Board has always responded affirmatively and enthusiastically both financially and otherwise. With the help of the Board of Trustees we are moving upward and passing our competition. Clemson University is being recognized as it never has before--applications increasing steadily. This is a good problem to have. President Lennon noted that we did not discuss problems today--we have responsible Vice Presidents with good character to handle situations as needed. The President asked each member of the Board of Trustees to consider giving one full day for a more detailed presentation on the very exciting projects going on at Clemson. It's really overwhelming when you see it all in one big picture--keep an open mind and let us show you what we are doing.

The President introduced Dr. Jay Gogue who is the new Vice President for Research. Dr. Gogue expressed his thanks for the opportunity to serve in this capacity. The final report on last fiscal year is not complete, but the growth rate in research is up by 58 percent from last year. A total of $60 million dollars was spent last year for research--this is exciting. Dr. Gogue thanked Dr. Wayne Bennett for his hard work on the cutting edge bill last year--about $1 million will go to Clemson. Our involvement with the Savannah River Plant project is exciting. Clemson University, the Medical University and the University of South Carolina are working together on this project which exemplifies unity among higher education institutions.

Chairman Batson pledged full support of the Board to Dr. Gogue and his division.
Mr. McAlister moved to adjourn the meeting. There was a second from Mr. DesChamps.

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hugh J. Clausen
Secretary of the
Board of Trustees