SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY
Orangeburg, South Carolina

BOARD OF TRUSTEES CALLED MEETING

LOWMAN HALL, BOARDROOM 304
MARCH 30, 2010
10:00 A.M.

PRESIDING: MR. JONATHAN N. PINSON, CHAIRMAN

~ AGENDA ~

I. CALL TO ORDER
II. PUBLIC NOTICE
III. INVOCATION
IV. ROLL CALL
V. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
VI. AGENDA
- University Mission Statement
- Review of By-Laws
VII. ADJOURNMENT
CALLED MEETING OF THE
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SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Mr. Jonathan Pinson, Chairman
Dr. John H. Corbitt, Vice Chairman
Mr. Robert Nance, Secretary
    Mr. Earl Bridges
    Mr. Lumus Byrd
Mrs. Linda Edwards-Duncan
    Mr. Frederick R. Gallant
    Mr. Karl V. Green
Mr. Matthew Richardson
    Mrs. Martha Scott Smith
    Dr. Walter Tobin
Mr. Maurice Washington
    Mr. Lancelot Wright

Ex-Officio Members
    Dr. Evelyn Fields
    Mr. Nathaniel Howard
    Mr. Zachary Middleton
    Ms. Kay Snider
    Mr. Jackie Steele
    Mr. George Quick
    Mr. Charlton Whipple
Dr. James A. Boykin, Trustee Emeritus
Mr. Charles C. Lewis, Sr., Trustee Emeritus
MINUTES OF CALLED MEETING
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I. OPEN SESSION/CALL TO ORDER:
Chairman Jonathan Pinson called the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m. and asked Mrs. Mosley to read the public notice and call the roll.

II. PUBLIC NOTICE:
Mrs. Mosley stated that the meeting was being held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, Code Section 30-4-80. Notice of the meeting and the agenda was provided to all interested persons, organizations and news media.

III. INVOCATION: Trustee Corbitt gave the invocation.

IV. ROLL CALL:
Members Present: Chairman Jonathan Pinson, Vice Chairman John Corbitt, Secretary Robert Nance (via telephone), Mrs. Martha Smith (via telephone), Dr. Walter Tobin, Mr. Matthew Richardson and Mr. Maurice Washington; Ex-officio Member Dr. Evelyn Fields.

Members Absent: Trustees Mr. Earl Bridges, Mr. Lumus Byrd, Mr. Reginald Gallant, Mrs. Linda Edwards-Duncan, Mr. Karl Green, Mr. Lance Wright Ex-officio Members Mr. Nathaniel Howard, Ms. Kay Snyder, Mr. George Quick, Mr. Charles Whipple, Mr. Zachary Middleton, Dr. James Boykin and Mr. Charles Lewis.

Administrators and Others Present: President George Cooper, Sr. Vice president John Smalls, Executive Director for the Board Ms. Joyce Green, Assistant to the Board Mrs. Eartha Mosley, Dale Linder-Altman of the Times and Democrat Newspaper and Istreal C. Tyler, recorder.

IV. AGENDA ADOPTION:
Trustee Washington asked to add Approval of the Performance Audits to the agenda. Trustee Smith asked that an executive session be added to discuss a personnel matter. Chairman Pinson called for a motion to approve the agenda with the requested amendments.

MOTION: It was properly moved and seconded to adopt the agenda as amended.

VOTE: The motion carried.
V. UNIVERSITY MISSION STATEMENT (See Attachment):
Trustee Corbitt asked why the proposed new mission statement was shorter than the original mission statement. President Cooper responded that the mission statement needed to be more specific. The new wording is broader and encompasses all programs. It also gives the flexibility of offering programs approved by the Board, and permits making modifications that have already been submitted but not yet approved by CHE. Trustees Washington stated that other institutions in the state opposed SC State’s having a stand-alone engineering program. He asked if SC State’s program would be contested at CHE. President Cooper said that significant CHE staff had given indication that they were in support of the program at SC State and would be willing to act in the affirmative. Trustee Washington stated that this would be a major accomplishment, and he commended the President. Trustee Tobin said for reiteration he was asking if all programs were captured in this statement. President Cooper answered yes. Trustee Tobin suggested that the phrase “a small number” in the last line of the first paragraph of the proposed new statement be changed to read “a number”. He said the number of programs would not always remain small and the word “small” should be deleted. Chairman Pinson called for a motion regarding the proposed mission statement.

MOTION: Trustee Corbitt moved, seconded by Trustee Washington, to approve the revision of the mission statement with the deletion of the word “small” in the last sentence of the first paragraph.

VOTE: Unanimous.

VI. PERFORMANCE AUDITS:
Ms. Evelyn Anderson stated that she had included information in the board packets regarding the Performance Audits. She asked if there were any questions. She then stated that she was recommending the audit firm of Elliott & Davis to conduct the Performance Audits. Trustee Washington commended Ms. Anderson for a job well done in making this recommendation. He said official board action regarding the selection of the firm needed to be taken prior to commencement of the work. Ms. Anderson said there would be an entrance conference on Thursday and she would talk more about the scope of work and how the firm will proceed at a subsequent meeting. Chairman Pinson called for a motion regarding the Performance Audits on grants receivables and student accounts receivables.

MOTION: Trustee Washington moved, seconded by Trustee Tobin, that the firm of Elliott & Davis be contracted to conduct the Performance Audits on grants receivables and student account receivables.

VOTE: Unanimous.

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VII. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**
Chairman Pinson called for a motion to go into executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

**MOTION:** Trustee Corbitt moved, seconded by Trustee Washington, to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter.

**VOTE:** Motion carried.

VIII. **OPEN SESSION RECONVENE:**
Chairman Pinson stated that the Board went into executive session to discuss a personnel matter. No action was requested and none taken. Trustee Corbitt asked if the vote for new board officers was coming up in the April meeting. Chairman Pinson answered yes.

IX. **REVIEW OF BY-LAWS:**
Chairman Pinson stated that the official work submitted by Trustee Richardson was work from the committee. Trustee Washington also submitted a set of by-laws and explained that the set of by-laws he submitted was a combination of work that had been pulled together by Trustee Byrd and an ad hoc committee in 2005. Trustee Richardson stated that, since there were not enough voting members of the Board present to make any decisions on the by-law, consideration of any changes should be postponed. Board members agreed by common consent.

VII. **ADJOURNMENT:**
Chairman Pinson thanked everyone who participated and stated if there was no further business he would accept a motion for adjournment.

**MOTION:** Trustee Corbitt moved, seconded by Trustee Tobin, that the meeting be adjourned.

**Vote:** Motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

[Signatures]

JONATHAN PINSON
CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ROBERT NANCE
SECRETARY, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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