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# University of South Carolina BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### October 4, 2013

The University of South Carolina Board of Trustees met on Friday, October 4, 2013, at 11:10 a.m. in the 1600 Hampton Street Board Room.

Members present were: Mr. Eugene P. Warr Jr., Chairman; Mr. John C. von Lehe Jr., Vice Chairman; Mr. Chuck Allen; Mr. Robert "Eddie" Brown; Mr. J. Egerton Burroughs; Mr. Mark W. Buyck, Jr.; Mr. Thomas C. Cofield; Mr. A.C. "Bubba" Fennell; Dr. C. Edward Floyd; Mr. William C. Hubbard; Mr. William W. Jones, Jr.; Mr. Toney J. Lister; Mr. Miles Loadholt; Mr. Hubert F. Mobley; Ms. Leah B. Moody; Dr. C. Dorn Smith III; Mr. Thad H. Westbrook; Mr. Charles H. Williams; and Dr. Mitchell M. Zais. Mr. Mack I. Whittle, Jr. was absent.

Also present was student representative Chase Mizzell.

Others present were: President Harris Pastides; Secretary Amy E. Stone; Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Michael D. Amiridis; Chief Financial Officer Edward L. Walton; General Counsel Walter "Terry" H. Parham; Vice President for Student Affairs and Vice Provost for Academic Support Dennis A. Pruitt; Vice President for Human Resources Chris Byrd; Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations Jancy Houck; Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer William F. Hogue; Interim Vice President for Communications Wes Hickman; Athletics Director Ray Tanner; Palmetto College Chancellor Susan A. Elkins; USC Upstate Chancellor Tom Moore; Senior Vice Provost and Director of Strategic Planning Christine W. Curtis; Associate Vice President for Business and Finance and Budget Director, Division of Finance and Planning, Leslie Brunelli; USC Lancaster Dean Walter Collins III; College of Arts and Sciences Dean Mary Anne Fitzpatrick; School of Law Dean Robert M. Wilcox; College of Hospitality, Retail, and Sport Management Dean Brian Mihalik; College of Mass Communications and Information Studies Dean Charles Bierbauer; Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance, USC Aiken, Joe Sobieralski; Director of Academic Programs, Office of the Provost, Kristia H. Finnigan; Senior Associate Dean for Research and Academics, Darla Moore School of Business, Brian Klaas; Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, School of Law, Danielle

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Holley-Walker; Associate Professor and Department Chair, Integrated Information Technology, College of Hospitality, Retail, and Sport Management, Elizabeth A. Regan; Senior Associate Dean for Liberal Arts Anne Bezuidenhout; University Treasurer Susan D. Hanna; Director of the Internal Audit Department Phil Iapalucci; Associate Vice President for Transportation and Logistical Relations Derrick Huggins; Director of Capital Budgets and Financing, Division of Finance and Planning, Charlie Fitzsimons; University Controller Jennifer Muir; Director of General Ledger Accounting, Controllers Office, Mary Peak; Director of State Relations Trey Walker; Risk Manager, Division of Environmental Health and Safety and Risk Management, Brian Hann; Special Assistant to the President J. Cantey Heath Jr.; Archaeologist and Instructor, Anthropology and Archaeology, USC Lancaster, Christopher Judge; Provost Office Administrative Assistant Kayle Wright; Student Government Vice President Ryan Bailey; University Technology Services Production Manager Matt Warthen; Board staff members Debra Allen and Terri Saxon; and members of the media.

Chairman Warr called the meeting to order and stated that notice of the meeting had been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act; the agenda and supporting materials had been circulated; and a quorum was present to conduct business. Mr. Hickman introduced a member of the news media in attendance: Amanda Coyne with *The Daily Gamecock*.

Chairman Warr said that it was with sadness that he learned of the passing of a former Trustee, Mr. Jerry Beasley, whose funeral was to be that afternoon. Mr. Beasley, who was from the Chairman's hometown, was his dear friend and served as a trustee from 1978 until 1986. Chairman Warr said that everyone's thoughts and prayers were with the Beasley family.

Chairman Warr welcomed everyone, including Ms. Jancy Houck the new Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations. He then invited Father Paul Sterne, the chaplain with USC's C.S. Lewis Student Center and St. Theodore's Anglican Chapel, to deliver the invocation.

Chairman Warr stated that Mr. Buyck and Mr. Tanner needed to leave the meeting early to speak at the South Carolina Insurance Reserve Fund Law Enforcement Council's annual meeting. Therefore he amended the order of the agenda to allow Mr. Buyck to present the Intercollegiate Athletics Committee report.

# II. <u>Committee Reports</u>

B. <u>Intercollegiate Athletics Committee</u>
(The Honorable Mark W. Buyck Jr. reported)

The Intercollegiate Athletics Committee met on September 13, 2013, and Mr. Tanner

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provided the following information in his report. The Compliance Services Office's effectiveness placed the University among the top in the country and demonstrated the University's commitment to integrity.

Major gift revenues totaled \$10,250,379 in FY13, well above the \$7 million estimate. Most significant was the increase in the number of \$1,000 and above donors in FY13 from 91 to 207; and the increase in Gamecock Club memberships from 15,430 in calendar year 2012 to 16,404 as of September 12, 2013. The sale of 51,967 season football tickets reflects an increase of 5.6 percent in 2013 over 2012.

A facilities update was provided on the following projects: Indoor Football Practice Facility;
Football Practice Fields; Williams-Brice Stadium Plaza/ETV; Field House Conversion/Indoor Track;
Outdoor Track and Field; Soccer Building; Tennis Complex Addition; and Sand Volleyball.

The launch of the new SEC ESPN Network is scheduled for August 2014 and will feature the USC Gamecocks and the Texas A&M Aggies. The Department of Athletics and the School of Journalism and Mass Communications are exploring collaboration opportunities to provide practical work experience for USC students related to the new network.

The achievements of University of South Carolina current and former student athletes and coaches were noted.

The Athletics Department was in the midst of developing a new strategic plan that will include: focusing on its future; affirming its mission and purpose; identifying its core values; aligning with the University's mission; and identifying its goals and objectives. The department is more than halfway through the process and a draft plan is expected to be ready in December 2013.

The Roundhouse building had been torn down to allow for development of the Athletic Village; therefore, a request to relocate the Rex Enright Plaque, which had been displayed in the Roundhouse, to the lobby of the Rice Building was approved by the Buildings and Grounds Committee, and will be considered by the full Board at its meeting today.

Mr. Tanner's PowerPoint presentation included a statistical report of the student athletes in each of the 16 South Carolina judicial circuits.

At the conclusion of the Mr. Buyck's report, Mr. Allen asked for a point of personal privilege to introduce a friend and constituent, Moe Brown, a former outstanding receiver on the Carolina football team and a native of Anderson who graduated with a degree in finance and is currently employed with the South Carolina Department of Commerce.

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Chairman Warr then returned to the posted agenda order and stated that there were contractual and personnel matters appropriate for executive session and called for a motion to enter executive session. Ms. Moody so moved and Mr. Jones seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

Chairman Warr invited the following persons to remain: Trustees, the Faculty and Student Representatives to the Board, President Pastides, Secretary Stone, Members of the President's Executive Council, and Dean Wilcox.

#### **Executive Session**

#### Return to Open Session

### I. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

The following 11 sets of minutes were on the Board Portal for review and were presented for approval:

- A. Intercollegiate Athletics Committee, September 13, 2013
- B. Buildings and Grounds Committee, September 13, 2013
- C. Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee, September 13, 2013
- D. Health Affairs Committee, September 13, 2013
- E. Board of Trustees, August 30, 2013
- F. Buildings and Grounds Committee, August 22, 2013
- G. Board of Trustees, August 22, 2013
- H. Ad Hoc Committee on Legal Affairs, August 9, 2013
- I. Ad Hoc Committee on Strategic Planning, August 9, 2013
- J. Executive Committee, August 9, 2013
- K. Board of Trustees, August 9, 2013

Secretary Stone noted that the September 13, 2013, Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting had been corrected to reflect that Mr. William C. Hubbard participated by telephone. Chairman Warr stated that there were no other additions, deletions or corrections to the minutes; therefore, they stood approved as corrected.

#### II. <u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>

## A. Ad Hoc Committee on Strategic Planning

This report was deferred until the next Board meeting due to the absence of Mr.

Whittle, committee chairman.

### B. <u>Intercollegiate Athletics Committee</u>

It was noted that Mr. Buyck had presented his report earlier in the meeting.

# C. <u>Buildings and Grounds Committee</u> (The Honorable William W. Jones Jr. reported)

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The Buildings and Grounds Committee met on September 13, 2013, and the following items required Board approval. Mr. Jones stated that the University declared its official intent, pursuant to Federal Regulations, to reimburse itself from the amounts of proceeds of the tax-exempt bond issue.

## 1. <u>Project Approvals</u>

a. <u>Phase II Approval: Athletic Village Tennis Complex Addition</u>
On behalf of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, Mr. Jones moved to fund Phase II design and construction for a total project budget of \$1 million funded with Athletic Operating Funds. Mr. Westbrook seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

#### b. Other Approvals

#### i. Greenhouse Construction

On behalf of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, Mr. Jones moved to fund this project with a budget of \$350,000 to be funded with Institutional Funds. Mr. Lister seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

ii. <u>FY 2013-14 State-Funded Deferred Maintenance Projects</u>

On behalf of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, Mr. Jones moved to approve the following deferred maintenance projects with the budgets and funding sources listed, noting that approval is contingent upon availability and release of State funds:

<u>USC Columbia 2013-14 Maintenance Needs</u> \$372,000 SC Education Lottery Funds; \$378,000 ICPF	\$	750,000
<u>Health Sciences Renovation</u> \$3,567,287 SC Education Lottery Funds; \$14,432,713 State Institution Bonds	\$18	3,000,000
<u>USC School of Medicine 2013-14Maintenance Needs</u> \$588,629 SC Education Lottery Funds; \$611,371 School of Medicine ICPF	\$ 1	1,200,000
<u>USC Aiken 2013-14 Maintenance Needs</u> \$270,221 SC Education Lottery Funds; \$279,779 USCA ICPF	\$	550,000
<u>USC Upstate 2013-14 Maintenance Needs</u> \$355,543 SC Education Lottery Funds; \$269,457 USC Upstate ICPF; \$90,000 Parking Revenue	\$	715,000
USC Aiken Ruth Patrick Science Center Roof and HVAC Repair (SC Education Lottery Funds)	\$	575,000
USC Lancaster Gregory Health and Wellness Center Deferred Maintenance (Non-Recurring State Funds)	\$	400,000

Mr. Burroughs seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

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### 2. Rex Enright Plaque Relocation

On behalf of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, Mr. Jones moved to approve the relocation of the Rex Enright Plaque, along with additional information about the Roundhouse, to the lobby of the Rice Athletics Center. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

## 3. Gift Naming Opportunities

On behalf of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, Mr. Jones moved to approve those gift namings as recommended by the Gift Naming Opportunities Committee and distributed in the Board materials.

## a. <u>USC Aiken.</u>

- i. The Pickens-Salley House Circle in Memory of Julian B. Salley Jr. by Mr. and Mrs. William H. Tucker
- ii. Eulalie's Garden
- iii. The Ray Jewell Golf Conference Room

#### b. Athletics

- i. The Connors Family Gate
- ii. The Kathryn and Louis Sossamon Tutor Room
- iii. The Founders Federal Credit Union Plaza

#### c. <u>Libraries</u>

The Schuyler and Yvonne Moore Alcove

### d. <u>Darla Moore School of Business</u>

- i. Dr. James G. Hilton Graduate Lounge Terrace
- ii. The Mary Ruth and Owen G. "Bob" Shell Faculty Office Fund Amendment
- iii. The Charles S. Way Jr. Palmetto Court Fund Amendment

Dr. Smith seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

The committee also received a detailed update on the following projects: Darla Moore School of Business; Assembly Street Pedestrian Safety; Petigru College; Women's Quad Renovation; Horizon Ground/4th Floor Upfit; Discovery Upfit 3rd – 5th Floors; Health Sciences Building Renovation; Hamilton College Renovation; Horseshoe Paths and New Live Oak; and the New Law Center.

Two proposed agenda items for the November meeting were mentioned: Phase II – Student Health Center; and the Comprehensive Permanent Improvement Plan (CPIP) that is required annually by the Commission on Higher Education (CHE).

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Mr. Gruner discussed the need for and the status of the development of a Campus Public Art Policy, which he said would be provided for the committee's consideration at a future meeting. Ms. Zeigler updated the Committee on project regulatory actions for calendar year 2013.

D. <u>Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee</u> (The Honorable Thad H. Westbrook reported)

The following personnel matters received all appropriate academic and administrative approvals and were presented without objection to the Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee on Friday, September 13, 2013, and, where appropriate, to the full Board in Executive Session.

## 1. <u>Honorary Faculty Titles</u>

Five requests for honorary faculty titles were posted on the Board Portal with the materials for this meeting. The following individuals will be awarded titles effective with their retirement:

For the titles Professor Emeritus:

<u>Professor Patrick Flynn</u>

<u>Professor Hiram L. McDade</u>

For the title Professor Emerita:

<u>Professor Nancy E. Macdonald</u>

For the title Distinguished Professor Emerita:

<u>Professor Margaret E. Gredler</u>

For the title Distinguished Professor Emeritus:

<u>Professor Gordon Haist</u>

On behalf of the Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee, Mr. Westbrook moved approval of these honorary faculty titles as presented. Mr. von Lehe seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

#### 2. Appointments with Tenure

On behalf of the Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee, Mr.

Westbrook moved approval to award tenure to the following three individuals:

<u>Dr. Edward J. Mayeaux</u> at the rank of Professor in the Department of Family and Preventative Medicine, School of Medicine Columbia;

<u>Dr. Spencer Moore</u> at the rank of Associate Professor in the Department of Health Promotion, Education and Behavior in the Arnold School of Public Health;

<u>Dr. Alan White</u> at the rank of Professor in the Department of Biological Sciences and as Associate Dean for Undergraduate STEM Education in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Mr. Cofield seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

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## 3. New Programs

On behalf of the Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee, Mr.

Westbrook moved approval to establish the following three new programs:

- a. <u>Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Children's Law, School of Law, USC Columbia</u>
- b. <u>Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Child Advocacy Studies, College of Arts and Sciences, USC Upstate</u>
- c. <u>Bachelor of Science in Exercise and Sport Science, with tracks in Exercise Science, Medical Fitness, and Strength and Conditioning, School of Education, USC Upstate</u>

Mr. Loadholt seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

4. New Dual Degree Program: Dual Juris Doctor (J.D.)/Accelerated Master of Business Administration (A.M.B.A.), School of Law and Darla Moore School of Business, USC Columbia

On behalf of the Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee, Mr.

Westbrook moved approval to establish the new dual degree program. Dr. Smith seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

5. New Department: Department of Integrated Information Technology, College of Hospitality, Retail, and Sport Management, USC Columbia

On behalf of the Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee, Mr.

Westbrook moved approval to establish the new department. Mr. Burroughs seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

Also in the meeting, the committee received an academic update from the College of Social Work. Representatives of the College described an educational initiative involving active military, veterans, and their families. This initiative involves a three-pronged approach to improve the college's research in military related issues; to develop specific training in military matters for social workers; and to improve community knowledge in working with the military.

E. <u>Health Affairs Committee</u>
(The Honorable C. Dorn Smith III reported)

The Health Affairs Committee met on September 13, 2013, and received an informative report from Mr. Whittle about the August 23 meeting of the Joint Board Liaison Committee (JBLC) of the University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville. Mr. Whittle was reappointed to a three-year term on this committee in September and will serve as chairman of the committee for the next year.

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Mr. Whittle reported that Dean Jerry R. Youkey, MD, presented a profile of the current class of 2017 and reviewed applicant demographic data, as well as comparative applicant data from various schools during the August meeting. Dr. Youkey was asked to repeat his presentation at the November 22 meeting of the Health Affairs Committee.

Mr. Whittle also reported that the 10-year financial projections will be discussed at the next JBLC meeting, which is scheduled for November 15, 2013, in Columbia. Also on the agenda for that meeting will be a discussion of co-branding of the schools.

# F. <u>Executive Committee</u> (The Honorable Eugene P. Warr Jr. reported)

Chairman Warr stated that since most everyone was in attendance for the Executive Committee meeting, he would skip summarizing the committee's actions and move straight to those items that required a vote of the full Board.

#### 1. Contracts

#### a. <u>Tec de Monterrev</u>

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Chairman Warr moved to approve an agreement with the Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey to extend the term of the agreement through August 31, 2018, and to establish a new delivery method for the Executive International Master of Business Administration program that will be known as the Global MBA. The new delivery method is predominantly an online course format, but may also include face-to-face classes, videoconferences, and short-term study abroad classes. This is a five-year agreement in which program revenues and expenses will be split in three equal parts among the Moore School of Business, Tecnológico de Monterrey Campus Guadalajara, and Universidad Tec Virtual.

Mr. Jones seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

### b. <u>Biomass Cogeneration Energy Plant</u>

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Chairman Warr moved to approve the termination of the First Amendment to the Energy Performance Contract between Johnson Controls, Inc. and the University of South Carolina regarding the design and construction of a Biomass Cogeneration Energy Plant upon the following terms and conditions:

- JCI shall pay the University the sum of \$14,400,000 within 30 days of the execution of a Termination Agreement, and
- JCI will remove specified Biomass equipment from the project site at its cost.

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Mr. Fennell seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

#### c. OneCarolina

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Chairman Warr moved to authorize the University to proceed with the implementation of the Business and Finance and the Human Resources and Payroll components of OneCarolina (Phase II), to include the following:

- Approval to enter into a software license and maintenance agreement with Oracle for a five-year term at a total cost of \$7,850,000.
- Approval of a total project budget of \$34,835,000 through Fiscal Year 2016 to implement Phase II of OneCarolina.
- Approval to enter into individual contracts with vendors to perform implementation services of Phase II, provided such contracts are within the total project budget of \$34,835,000.

Mr. Mobley seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

## 2. <u>Capital Development Foundation, USC Upstate</u>

Chairman Warr stated that earlier in the day Chancellor Moore submitted a request to approve an affiliation agreement between USC Upstate and the USC Upstate Capital Development Foundation, a separately incorporated 501(c)(3) non-profit organization created to raise, manage, distribute and steward private resources to support the various missions of USC Upstate.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Chairman Warr moved approval of this affiliation agreement. Mr. Hubbard seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

#### 3. Bond Resolutions

## a. Health Sciences Renovation, USC Columbia

Chairman Warr explained that this was a General Obligation State

Institution Bond Resolution authorizing up to \$13.3 million for the purpose of obtaining financing for the renovation of the Health Science Building on the Columbia Campus. The authorized amount will provide funding to complete the project and the amount necessary for issuance costs associated with the bonds.

The intent is to service the bonds with existing tuition revenues.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Chairman Warr moved approval of the bond resolution as distributed. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

b. The John C. Stockwell Administration Building, USC Upstate

Chairman Warr explained that this was a General Obligation State

Institution Bond Resolution authorizing up to \$4.2 million for the purpose of obtaining financing for the renovation of the John C. Stockwell Administration Building on the USC Upstate Campus. The authorized

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amount will provide funding to complete the project and the amount necessary for issuance costs associated with the bonds. The intent is to service the bonds with existing tuition revenues.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Chairman Warr moved approval of the bond resolution as distributed. Mr. Lister seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

# III. REPORT OF (THE or MY) CAROLINA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (The Honorable Robert "Eddie" Brown, president, reported)

Mr. Brown said that the semi-annual Board of Governors and Alumni Council meeting was held on September 27. He said there were three new members of the Board of Governors: Robert Dozier, an at-large member who is a native of Columbia now living in Atlanta and whose son is a freshman at USC; Julie Horton, representing the 4th Congressional District, who is a resident of Easley, South Carolina, and whose daughter is a freshman at USC; and Robin Roberts, an at-large member living in McLean, Virginia, who received the School of Journalism Distinguished Alumni Award in 2004. He noted that the September 27 meeting featured presentations by Vice President for Development and Alumni Affairs Jancy Houck; Jeff Crane from the Gamecock Club; and Russ Meekins from the University Foundations. Other speakers included Cherelle Guyton, chair of the Black Alumni Council, and David Looper, chair of the Young Alumni Council, as well as many others.

The 2013 Homecoming events will be a little different this year, Mr. Brown said, observing that Friday, November 1, would feature a ceremonial groundbreaking for the new alumni association center. He then showed a photo of the former Damon's restaurant being torn down earlier that day to make way for the new center. The Homecoming Parade will take place at 3 p.m. on November 1 and will include the Lincoln Street site. Instead of an awards banquet, Mr. Brown said that the President would host an event at his home to present awards. Award recipients also would be recognized at halftime of the Mississippi State game on Saturday. Mr. Brown encouraged everyone to visit the My Carolina Alumni Association under the Big Tent at Gamecock Park on Saturday, noting that Homecoming activities would wrap up with the Ring Ceremony on the Horseshoe on Sunday.

Concluding his remarks, Mr. Brown said that the loan closing for construction of the new alumni center was scheduled for October 17. He also noted that TD Bank had changed its scoreboard ad at Williams-Brice Stadium to acknowledge that it would be financing the alumni center. Mr. Brown said the Alumni Association had hired McCrory/Rentenbach Construction as its contractor under a maximum guaranteed contract. He then thanked the Alumni Center Selection Committee for its hard work to pick architects, engineers and others to work on the new alumni center project.

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### IV. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Chairman Warr called on President Pastides who expressed condolences to the family of former Trustee Jerry Beasley who passed away on October 1, echoing comments of Dr. Floyd earlier in the meeting about Mr. Beasley's impact on the spirit of Carolina. He also recognized the September 24 passing of Coach Paul Dietzel.

President Pastides said that he delivered the State of the University address on the Horseshoe on September 18. He said he reiterated what the University of South Carolina's identity was today. He summarized with four statements: "We are a globally recognized, high impact research university. We are recognized for a superior student experience. We are committed to developing flexible new models for college access and affordability. We are a vital part of South Carolina's economic and overall wellbeing."

President Pastides recapped that during his State of the University address, he called for a new compact with government. The time is right and with the Board's concurrence, he said, the University boldly asked for a three-year moratorium on tuition increases in return for increased state funding. "We propose that the state provide some level of fresh funding. We call it fair funding, but I truly believe that fair funding will take a lot longer than one year of negotiation," he said. "We believe in accountability-based funding. We want to be measured; we're looking at how other states do it. In the meantime, rather than increasing the burden on the families of the state, we're asking for some level of new support."

President Pastides described the amount of support as being an amount that would negate the expected tuition increase, as well as the money to cover "pass through mandates" related to any possible pay raise, increase to retirement benefits, or increase to insurance premiums. "Those are not things that we ask for; those are things that are mandated by state government and we would hope to receive the funding for (them) plus a moderate increase to our core budget. With that we would be able to freeze tuition."

President Pastides said that he had met with the Governor and with leaders in the Senate and House and had received "cautious, tentative support" for his proposal. "Everyone wants to know the details," he said. "It is a simple concept. It is tuition freeze equals fair funding. I think everybody wants it, we would stop the finger pointing and we would begin to move back toward fair funding for the University of South Carolina."

The Palmetto Business Forum and others have met with President Pastides and are asking how they can help. Newspapers around the state also have responded well, President Pastides said, quoting an editorial from the Rock Hill Herald, "We're hopeful that Pastides' offer and pressure from the Governor

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and like-minded lawmakers can help refocus attention on the need to both increase state support for higher education and relieve the relentless rise in tuition costs for students. Both are needed to sustain the quality of South Carolina's colleges and universities, and to ensure that qualified students at all economic levels will be able to afford to go to college."

Continuing his report, President Pastides said that it had been a great week for women at the University of South Carolina and for women in philanthropy.

"We welcomed Vice President Jancy Houck who started to work recently. Earlier this week we announced a gift from Marva Smalls of Florence who added \$1 million to the \$5 million that had been previously donated by Darla Moore and the \$5 million that had been previously donated by Anita Zucker to create the state's foremost aerospace R&D programs. It was amazing to see Darla, Anita, and Marva standing side by side as we installed the first Ronald D. McNair Endowed Chair.

"But it didn't end there," he said. "This morning we thanked Donna Walker, an alumna from the USC pharmacy program currently living in San Diego, as she announced a \$525,000 gift to create leadership opportunities for students in the pharmacy school."

President Pastides said that directly following the meeting, he would greet a record number of parents attending Parents Weekend. On Saturday afternoon, he said, the University would host a party for 10,000 parents accompanied by their students at a massive tailgate before the game.

### V. <u>OTHER MATTERS</u>

Since there were no other matters to come before the Board, Chairman Warr declared the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy E Stone

Secretary

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