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Health Affairs Committee

March 15, 2019

The Health Affairs Committee of the University of South Carolina Board of Trustees met at 12:15 p.m. on Friday, March 15, 2019, in the Alumni Center’s C. Edward Floyd Boardroom.

Members present were: Dr. C. Edward Floyd, Presiding Chairman; Mr. William C. Hubbard; Mr. Hubert F. Mobley, Board Vice Chairman; Dr. C. Dorn Smith III; Mr. Mack I. Whittle Jr.; and Mr. John C. von Lehe Jr., Board Chairman. Mr. A.C. “Bubba” Fennell III, Committee Chair, and Mr. Robert F. Dozier joined by phone. Absent was Mr. Charles H. Williams.

Other Board members present were: Mr. J. Egerton Burroughs; Mr. Toney J. Lister; Mr. Miles Loadholt; Ms. Leah B. Moody; Ms. Rose Buyck Newton; Ms. Molly M. Spearman; Mr. Eugene P. Warr Jr.; and Mr. Thad H. Westbrook.

Also present were: USC Columbia Faculty Senate Chair Marco Valtorta and USC Columbia Student Government President Taylor Wright.

Others present were: President Harris Pastides; Secretary J. Cantey Heath Jr.; General Counsel Walter “Terry” H. Parham; Chief Operating Officer Edward L. Walton; Provost Joan T.A. Gabel; Vice President for Student Affairs Dennis Pruitt; Chief Audit Executive Pam Doran; Chief Information Officer Doug Foster; Chief Communications Officer Wes Hickman; Athletics Director Ray Tanner; Vice President for Human Resources Caroline Agardy; Chief Diversity Officer and Senior Associate Provost for Inclusion, Office of Diversity and Inclusion, John H. Dozier; Vice President for Facilities and Transportation Derrick Huggins; Vice President for Research Prakash Nagarkatti; Assistant to the President for System Affairs Eddie King; Associate Provost for Academic Programs Tena B. Crews; Palmetto College Chancellor Susan Elkins; USC Aiken Chancellor Sandra Jordan; USC Beaufort Chancellor Al Panu; USC Upstate Chancellor Brendan Kelly; Associate Vice President for Administration and Finance and Medical Business Affairs Jeffrey L. Perkins III; College of Arts and Sciences Dean Lacy Ford; College of Education Dean Jon Pedersen; Executive Director for the Office of Economic Engagement William D. “Bill” Kirkland; Executive Director for Strategic Initiatives Jack Claypoole;
University Treasurer Pat Lardner; University Budget Director Joe Sobieralski; Director of State Government and Community Relations Derrick Meggie; Director of Public Affairs, Jeff Stensland; Co-Directors for Interprofessional Education for the Health Sciences Betsy Blake with the College of Pharmacy and Teri Browne with the College of Social Work; College of Education Professors Gloria Boutte and Rose Ylimaki; College of Education Clinical Assistant Professor Michele Myers; USC Lancaster Assistant Professor of History Ernest Jenkins; Administrative Assistant, Office of the Provost, Katie Sites; Former Trustee Thomas C. Cofield and his wife Janet Cofield; Former Trustee Mark Buyck and his wife Julia Buyck; Cynthia Lister, wife of Trustee Toney Lister; Ann Loadholt, wife of Trustee Miles Loadholt; Student Campbell Mims; University Technology Services Production Manager Matt Warthen; and Board staff members Terri Saxon and Ina Wilson.

OPEN SESSION

I. Call to Order

Presiding Chairman Floyd called the meeting to order, welcomed those present and asked everyone to introduce themselves. He stated the agenda had been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act; the agenda had been circulated; and a quorum was present to conduct business. Secretary Heath called the roll to confirm those participating in the meeting by telephone and Mr. Hickman announced that Hannah Dear with The Daily Gamecock was present.

II. Update – USC School of Medicine Greenville Dean Search

Provost Gabel said Dean Hall and Dean Youkey were participating in the annual Match Day, during which medical students learn their post-graduation residency positions. She reported that the USC School of Medicine Greenville, for the fourth year in a row, had achieved a 100% match. USC School of Medicine Columbia reported a 97% match as two students opted for a research year instead of a post-graduation residency.

Provost Gabel provided an update on the dean search. She said the position profile had been posted for some time and Witt-Kieffer, the executive search firm facilitating the dean search, reported robust interest in the position. Witt-Kieffer is in the process of reviewing and screening applicants to be presented to the search committee for consideration on April 22. The search committee plans to interview potential candidates May 13 and May 14. Following the interviews, the search committee will recommend three to four finalists for interviews with the University administration, in consultation with Greenville Health System. Trustee Smith added the process was moving forward very well.

Presiding Chairman Floyd said this update was received as information.
III. **IPE: Interprofessional Education**

Provost Gabel introduced the Co-Directors for Interprofessional Education for the Health Sciences, Professors Betsy Blake with the College of Pharmacy and Teri Browne with the College of Social Work.

Dr. Blake began with a quote from the World Health Organization defining IPE:
"Interprofessional education occurs when two or more professions learn about, from and with each other to improve collaboration and the quality of care. “

IPE is growing around the world and USC has been engaged with this education trend for the past 10 years, Dr. Blake said. The University has five health colleges (Nursing, Medicine, Pharmacy, Public Health and Social Work) and she reported there was involvement from all of them in the different activities IPE offers. IPE opportunities include student organizations, research and experiential learning, curricular opportunities, as well as opportunities such as participation at seminars. She added that USC students are recognized nationally and asked to present at a variety of events regarding their work/experiences. Dr. Blake highlighted some of the IPE initiatives at the University including:

- **Curricular**
  
  - Transforming Healthcare for the Future
  - Addressing Childhood Obesity through Community Approaches – Junior Doctors of Health
  - Telehealth (Duke Endowment Grant)

- **Experiential and Research Opportunities**
  
  - HIV/Immunology Clinic Rotation (Health Resources & Services Administration Grant)

- **Student Organizations**
  
  - IHI Open School for the Health Professions

- **Other Opportunities**
  
  - Rural Interprofessional Health Science Seminar

Ultimately, she noted, the goal of IPE is to prepare students to practice in teams and communicate across disciplines to provide quality, cost-effective care and be better prepared to lead/collaborate in interprofessional teams as they enter the professional health sciences arena after graduation.

Trustee Molly Spearman said the State of South Carolina has set a goal of getting a mental health counselor into every school by the year 2022. She asked if the University was involved with this initiative, noting that the lack of personnel is the primary obstacle to accomplishing this goal. Dr. Blake responded
this was not a direct initiative of the University IPE Program, but that she and Dr. Browne serve on several related task forces looking to address the issue. Dr. Browne added that she and Dr. Blake sit on a Rural Behavioral Health Interprofessional Task Force, which includes people from schools and mental health arenas examining these issues. Ms. Spearman said teachers identified the need for mental health counselors as one of the greatest needs in schools right now.

Presiding Chairman Floyd thanked Professors Blake and Browne and said this report was received as information.

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Presiding Chairman Floyd called for a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss a proposed contractual matter related to USC School of Medicine, Palmetto Health-USC Medical Group and PRISMA. Mr. Hubbard so moved and Mr. Jones seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

The following were invited to remain: President Pastides, Secretary Heath, members of the President’s Executive Council, Ms. Doran, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Buyck, Mr. Cofield, Dr. Valtorta, and Mr. Wright.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

With no other matters appropriate for discussion in Executive Session, Presiding Chairman Floyd declared a return to Open Session.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

IV. Adjournment

Since there were no other matters to come before the committee, Presiding Chairman Floyd declared the meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Cantey Heath, Jr.
Secretary