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University of South Carolina
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

University System Committee
In Person, Floyd Boardroom, Pastides Alumni Center
and By Microsoft Teams
April 19, 2024

OPEN SESSION

I. Call to Order

Chair Moody called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. Secretary Howell confirmed Trustees attending in person and by Microsoft Teams audio and video conference.

Committee Members in attendance:

Leah B. Moody, Chair
Brian C. Harlan
Henry L. Jolly Jr.
Hubert F. Mobley
E. Scott Moïse
Emma W. Morris (online)
John C. von Lehe Jr.
Rose Buyck Newton, *Board Vice Chair*
Thad H. Westbrook, *Board Chair*

Other Trustees in attendance:

C. Dan Adams (online)
Alex English
C. Edward Floyd (online)
Richard A. Jones Jr.
Reid T. Sherard
C. Dorn Smith III
Ellen Weaver (online)
Charles H. Williams (online)

Others in attendance:

Wayne Outten, USC Columbia Faculty Senate Chair
Patton Byars, USC Columbia Student Government President
Robin Roberts, Advisor to the Advancement, Engagement and Communications Committee

Administrators in attendance:

Michael Amiridis, President

Cameron Howell, University Secretary and Secretary of the Board of Trustees

Donna Arnett, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost

Terry Parham, General Counsel

Ed Walton, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Media in attendance:

Win Hammond, the *Daily Gamecock*

Notice:

Chair Moody stated notice of the meeting and agenda had been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act; the agenda and supporting materials had been circulated to the Committee; and a quorum was present to conduct business.

II. Dialogue with System Student Government Leaders

Student government leaders from across the USC System were present for a Q&A session with Committee members. Vice President for USC System Affairs Derham Cole and Student Affairs staff from the USC System institutions were also in attendance. Written submittals from student leaders were received prior to the meeting that included their accomplishments, areas of focus, and areas of concern.

Chair Moody facilitated the discussion ranging from cafeteria issues and meal plans to repair of facilities, on-line courses, and funding for athletic facilities. USC Columbia Student Government President Patton Byars suggested transfer student orientation and housing selections be conducted sooner. Chair Westbrook suggested a potential discussion in the future regarding retaining in-state students and out-of-state students in South Carolina.

The update was received as information.

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Moody stated there was a need for an Executive Session for receipt of confidential proprietary information.

Mr. Harlan made the motion to enter Executive Session, and Mr. von Lehe seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

Chair Moody invited the following to remain: Trustees, Dr. Outten, Mr. Byars, Mr. Roberts, President Amiridis, Secretary Howell, Chancellors, the President's Executive Council, Ms. Dunleavy, and Board support staff.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Executive Session Removed

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

III. Presentation from USC Beaufort Chancellor Al Panu

Chancellor Al Panu presented the USC Beaufort master and strategic plans.

The update was received as information.

IV. Presentation from Palmetto College Chancellor Susan Elkins

Chancellor Susan Elkins presented the Palmetto College strategic plan.

The update was received as information.

V. Recommendations to Approve Institutional Master and Strategic Plans

A. USC Beaufort Master Plan

B. USC Beaufort Strategic Plan

Mr. von Lehe made a motion to approve the USC Beaufort master and strategic plans. Ms. Newton seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

C. USC Palmetto College Strategic Plan

Mr. Mobley made a motion to approve the USC Palmetto College strategic plan. Mr. Harlan seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

The items were approved and will be considered by the Governance Committee and full Board at the June meeting.

VI. Other Matters

- Committee Matrix

Chair Moody stated the Committee matrix was updated and received as information.

Chair Moody called for any other matters to come before the Committee. There were none.

VII. Adjournment

Chair Moody declared the meeting adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cameron Howell
Secretary