

**EXCERPT FROM THE PRELIMINARY REPORT  
OF THE REAFFIRMATION COMMITTEE**

**Statement Regarding the Report**

*The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) is responsible for making the final determination on reaffirmation of accreditation based on the findings contained in this committee report, the institution's response to issues contained in the report, other assessments relevant to the review, and application of the Commission's policies and procedures. Final interpretation of the Principles of Accreditation and final action on the accreditation status of the institution rest with SACSCOC Board of Trustees.*

**Name of the Institution:**            **University of South Carolina - Columbia**

**Date of the Review:**                **November 3-4, 2020**

**SACSCOC Staff Member:**        **Dr. Linda Thomas-Glover**

**Chair of the Committee:**         **Dr. Timothy S. Brophy**  
**Director, Institutional Assessment**  
**and Professor, Music Education**  
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#### 4.2.c

### CEO Evaluation/Selection

#### 4.2 The governing board

- 4.2.c selects and regularly evaluates the institution's chief executive officer.  
(*CEO evaluation/selection*)

### Compliance

The Off-Site Reaffirmation Committee found support for the institution's case for compliance.

The current president was appointed on July 19, 2019. The presidential search was governed by the procedures for selecting institutional executive officers as outlined in the Board of Trustees bylaws (Article IV Section II). The bylaws outline the composition of the presidential search committee, which shall include members of the Board of Trustees, faculty, students, alumni, and others as stipulated within the bylaws. Documentation was provided through meeting minutes, candidate itineraries, and the scope of work for the selected search firm to demonstrate compliance.

The president is evaluated annually by the Board of Trustees in accordance with board policy. Documentation affirming that an evaluation of the current president, as well as the former president, was conducted in accordance with board policy was provided, including the details of the evaluation. As outlined in policy the President's evaluation includes a review of the president's performance utilizing a format consistent with state agency heads for the state of South Carolina.