

**NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY  
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
RETREAT  
June 24, 2015**

The NCCU Board of Trustees were in an half day Retreat held at the William and Ida Friday Center in Chapel Hill, NC on June 24, 2015. The keynote speaker for the Retreat was Dr. Belle Wheelan, President, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.

**BOARD MINUTES**

The NCCU Board of Trustees convened at The William and Ida Friday Center, 100 Friday Center Drive, Chapel Hill, NC in the Sunflower Room on Wednesday, June 24, 2015. Chairman George Hamilton called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**INVOCATION:** Trustee Pope gave the invocation.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Mr. George Hamilton, Dr. Dwight Perry, Mr. John Barbee, Mrs. Avon Ruffin, Dr. Kenneth Tindall, Mrs. Karyn Wilkerson, Mr. Paul Pope, Ms. Kim Saunders, Mr. Harold Epps, Ms. Allyson Siegel and Ms. Joan Higginbotham (via telephone conference call)  
Absent: Mr. Wendell McCain

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:** It was moved by Trustee Epps and properly seconded by Trustee Barbee that the agenda be adopted. The motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** It was moved by Trustee Barbee and properly seconded by Trustee Epps to approve the minutes dated April 22, 2015. The motion carried.

**CHAIR'S REMARKS:** Chairman Hamilton informed the Board, as Chair, it is his responsibility to remind all members of the Board of their duty under the State Government Ethics Act to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict of interest as required by this Act. Each member has received the agenda and related information for this Board of Trustees meeting. If any board member knows of any conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matter coming before the board of trustees at this meeting, the conflict or appearance of conflict should be identified at this time. No conflict was presented.

**PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS** – Chairman Hamilton recognized Trustees Dwight Perry, Avon Ruffin, Wendell McCain and Kim Saunders to come forward to be presented with a resolution commending them for their service to North Carolina Central University and its Board of

Trustees. Trustee McCain was absent. Chairman Hamilton also presented each with a gift. A copy of their Resolutions honoring their service is attached.

**POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE:** Trustee Ruffin expressed her love for NCCU and greatly appreciated and delighted to have had the opportunity to serve her alma mater. "Although I am leaving, I am not done". She will celebrate her 40<sup>th</sup> year since graduating soon.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** At the April 22, 2015, Board of Trustees meeting, Trustee Epps presented the Nominating Committee report. The committee recommended a slate of nominees for office for the 2015-2016 term as follows: Mr. George Hamilton, Chairman, Mr. John Barbee, Vice Chairman and Mr. Paul Pope, Secretary. Chairman Hamilton inquired of the trustees are there other nominations from the floor? Being none, it was moved by Trustee Barbee and properly seconded by Trustee Siegel that the nominations be closed on the said names. The motion carried.

It was moved by Trustee Tindall and properly seconded by Trustee Pope to approve the nominations of officers for 2015-2016, namely Trustee George Hamilton, Chairman, Trustee John Barbee, Vice Chairman and Trustee Paul Pope, Secretary. The motion carried.

**ELECTION OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** Chairman Hamilton called upon Chancellor Saunders White. Chancellor nominated Mr. Wendell Phillips, Chief of Staff, to serve as Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees.

It was moved by Trustee Hamilton and properly seconded by Trustee Epps to approve this nomination of Mr. Wendell Phillips as Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees. The motion carried.

Chairman Hamilton recognized in attendance Trustee-elect Michael Johnson, Trustee-elect Olivia Robinson, Mr. Rob Nelson, Mr. Robert Botley and Mr. Donald Porter (Chairman, Fayetteville State University Board of Trustees).

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Committee meetings were not held on Tuesday, June 23, 2015, therefore action items listed on the Agenda were considered by the Committee as a Whole.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES ENDOWMENT FUND** had one (1) action item.

It was moved by Trustee Hamilton and properly seconded by Trustee Siegel to approve the minutes dated April 21, 2015. The motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE** had one (1) action item for Open Session; two (2) items for Closed Session and several informational items for Closed Session.

It was moved by Trustee Wilkerson and properly seconded by Trustee Pope to approve the minutes dated April 21, 2015. The motion carried.

**ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** had four (4) action items.

It was moved by Trustee Ruffin and properly seconded by Trustee Pope to approve the minutes dated April 21, 2015. The motion carried.

### **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

Prior to Provost Akinleye's presentation he recognized Dr. Harvey McMurray and thanked him for his service at Chair of the Faculty Senate. He also welcomed the new chair Attorney Kimberly J. Cogdell, Assistant Professor in the School of Law as the incoming Chair.

Chairman Tindall recognized Vice Chancellor and Provost Johnson Akinleye for a presentation regarding the Post Tenure Review Policy.

It was moved by Trustee Epps and properly seconded by Trustee Wilkerson to approve the Post Tenure Review Policy and forward a copy to the UNC Board of Governors. The motion carried.

Next Chairman Tindall recognized Dean Phyllis Craig-Taylor regarding the Plan to Establish the Intellectual Property Law Institute. Dean Craig-Taylor recognized Professor Charles Smith and Attorney Tim Wilson (IP Attorney for SAS) for the presentation of the Plan.

It was moved by Trustee Epps and properly seconded by Trustee Pope to recommend approval of the Plan to Establish Intellectual Property Law Institute and forward all relevant materials to the UNC Board of Governors for action.

Chairman Tindall requested talking points be sent to the trustees regarding this Plan. Dean Craig-Taylor to provide.

### **STUDENT AFFAIRS:**

Chairman Tindall next recognized Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Miron Billingsley who made a presentation regarding the Student Center.

Highlights of his presentation are as follows:

- Current Student Center
- Committee Assessment
- Enrollment and Growth Trends
- Three part approach
  - Stand-alone New Student Center Facility
  - Renovation of existing Student Union that will house the New Health Center
  - Construction of a new parking deck, auditorium and banquet hall/meeting space
- Site Location
- Project Snapshot
- Project Scope
- Project Rationale
- Project Timeline

It was moved by Trustee Pope and properly seconded by Trustee Wilkerson to approve the grants project for a new Student Center, Renovation of the existing Student Union to house the New Health Center and the construction of a new parking deck, auditorium and banquet hall/meeting space. The motion carried.

**ADVANCEMENT AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** had one (1) action item and one (1) information item.

It was moved by Trustee Pope and properly seconded by Trustee Barbee to approve the minutes dated April 21, 2015. The motion carried.

Chairman Siegel recognized and introduced Ms. Gail Perry, an international fundraising consultant whose presentation was entitled "Planning a Capital Campaign". Highlights of her presentation are as follows:

- Campaign Objectives
- Campaign Volunteer Leaders
- Top Donors
- The Major Gifts Adventure
- Prospects
- Funding a Campaign
- The Board's Role
- The Chancellor's Role
- Feasibility Study
- The Steps of a Campaign

**AUDIT, FINANCE AND FACILITIES** has one (1) action item and one (1) information item.

It was moved by Trustee Barbee and properly seconded by Trustee Wilkerson to approve the minutes dated April 21, 2015. The motion carried.

Chairman Epps recognized Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance Ben Durant to make a Budget Recalibration presentation. Highlights of his presentation are as follows:

- How Are We Funded
- Calculating Requirements (Costs)
- Enrollment Trends
- Other Funding (Auxiliary Fees)
- FY 2015-2016 Budget Recalibration Steps
- Governor's/Legislative Budget Highlights

**INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS COMMITTEE** has one (1) action and one (1) information item.

It was moved by Trustee Perry and properly seconded by Trustee Pope to approve the minutes dated April 21, 2015. The motion carried.

Chairman Barbee presented findings and recommendations of the Working Group for Athletics. The Working Group's Overview is as follows:

- Objective #1 ensure that the NCCU Athletics Department is in compliance with Title IX
  - Title IX Three Prong Tests
    - Prong 1 – substantial proportionality (Ratio of male to female students vs. male to female student-athlete participation opportunities)
    - Prong 2: History and continuing practice of program expansion of underrepresented gender
    - Prong 3: Assess the interests and abilities of female students and community
    - Other Areas of Review
      - Equipment & supplies
      - Scheduling o games and practice times
      - Travel and per diem
      - Tutoring opportunities
      - Assignment and compensation of coaches

- Provision of Locker rooms, practice and competition facilities
  - Provision of medical training, services and facilities
  - Provision of housing and dining services and facilities
  - Publicity
  - Support services
  - Recruitment of student-Athletes
- Objective 2: Determine the appropriate level Institutional Support Funding for Athletics
- Objective 3: Improve the Quality of the Fan Experience for revenue-generating sports
- Enhanced Revenue Summary
- Driving Factors for Sports Portfolio
- Recommendations
  - Discontinue women's bowling
  - Addition of women's sport in 2016-17 in line with Title IX compliance
  - Department of Athletics in conjunction with other campus partners conduct internal and external surveys with students, faculty, alumni to help guide future decisions related to NCCU sports portfolio
  - University is committed to NCAA Division I and competing for championships at this level
  - 2015-16 projected Athletics budget includes institutional support in the amount of \$2.5M
  - 2016-2017 institutional support be reduced to \$2.0M and the administration delivers a plan to achieve this reduced budget at the March 3016 Board meeting
- Student and Fan Experience
  - Support the University and Athletics facility improvement plans
  - University move quickly to replace gym floor as this support multiple university activities

It was moved by Trustee Barbee and properly seconded by Trustee Siegel to approve the recommendations and findings of the Working Group and forward to Chancellor Saunders-White for consideration.

Chairman Barbee thanked members of the Working Group, Trustees Siegel and Perry, Athletic Director Ingrid Wicker-McCree and her staff for their services rendered.

## **ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS:**

The Organizational Units namely the Student Government Association, Faculty Senate, Staff Senate and the Alumni Association did not report at this meeting

### **OPEN SESSION**

It was moved by Trustee Ruffin and properly seconded by Trustee Epps to convene in Closed Session pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) and (6). The motion carried.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

Chancellor Debra Saunders White made a presentation regarding personnel updates.

Further the Chancellor made a presentation regarding a petition for political activity.

Next the Chancellor made a presentation regarding a candidate for Faculty Emeriti.

Following Chancellor Saunders-White, Attorney Melissa Holloway made presentation on legal updates.

Further, the full Board of Trustees met regarding the Chancellor's Review.

There being no further business for Closed Session, it was moved by Trustee Barbee and properly seconded by Trustee Wilkerson to reconvene in Open Session. The motion carried.

### **OPEN SESSION**

When the meeting reconvened in Open Session, it was moved by Trustee Barbee and properly seconded by Trustee Wilkerson to approve the Petition for Political Activity. The motion carried.

It was moved by Trustee Barbee and properly seconded by Trustee Pope to approve the Faculty Emeriti candidate. The motion carried.

## **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- The next regular meeting of the NCCU Board of Trustees is September 22-23, 2015
- 2015-2016 NCCU Board of Trustees meeting schedule in your packet

- Again a sincere thanks to Trustees Perry, Ruffin, Saunders and McCain for their services and dedication.
- Reminder: It is mandatory that the Board of Trustees every two (2) years complete the Ethics & Lobbying Education Course conducted by the NC Ethics Commission. This course must be completed on or before June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- A sincere thanks for completing the FCC questionnaire which was due on or before June 15<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further business, it was moved and properly seconded to adjourn. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Dottie Fuller  
Recorder