

**COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON
UNIVERSITY OF CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Special Called Meeting
December 16, 2001
6 Glebe Street
11:00 a.m.

Members of the Board in attendance:

Mr. Timothy N. Dangerfield
Dr. L. Cherry Daniel
Dr. John F. Clark, III
Mrs. Marie Land
Mr. F. C. McMaster
Mr. J. Vincent Price, Jr.
Mr. Robert S. Small, Jr.
Mr. Joseph F. Thompson, Jr.
Mr. Lawrence O. Thompson
J. David Watson, Esquire

Vice President Tim Dangerfield called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. A motion was made by David Watson for a special called meeting.

It was proposed that the President enter into an agreement with the Guy Beatty Family to give him the authority to bind the \$2,000,000 gift for the purchase and renovation of the building adjacent to the J. C. Long Building/Tate Center, with assertion of completion of purchase with College funds. Members of the Board who were present voted unanimously to approve this proposal.

It was moved (Watson) and seconded (Clark) that this proposal be approved.

As a personnel matter, President Higdon presented the concept of:

- (1) Quest for excellence
- (2) Need a plan to differentiate us from other schools:
 - a. Emphasize our strength
 - b. Increase faculty over three years by 50 faculty
 - c. Decrease student number by 75 each year over four years (300 students)
- (3) Focus our investments on the students
- (4) Substantially increase our financial aid
- (5) Go for high-end students

A memo will be sent to each Board member with details, and then the plan will be discussed at the January Board meeting.

Special meeting adjourned.

