

(Approved at June 9, 2020 Board of Trustees Meeting)

COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON
UNIVERSITY OF CHARLESTON, SC

Board of Trustees Meeting
May 7, 2020

Zoom Video Conference*

Board of Trustees' Office, Room 208-C, Randolph Hall

Presiding:

David M. Hay, Chair, Board of Trustees

Trustee Ricci Welch, Chair, Academic Affairs Committee

Trustee Chuck Baker, Chair, Student Affairs & Athletics Committee

Trustee Steve Swanson, Chair, Development, Alumni, Governmental
& External Relations Committee

Trustee Cherry Daniel, Chair, Access, Equity & Inclusion Subcommittee

Trustee Randy Lowell, Chair, Budget, Finance, & Facilities Committee

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2020

8:30 a.m.

Board Members – Trustees Chuck Baker, Laurin Burch, Beth Burke, John Busch, Demetria Clemons (Vice Chair), Cherry Daniel, Hank Futch, Henrietta Golding, David Hay (Chair), Shawn Holland, Randy Lowell, Toya Pound, Renée Romberger (Secretary), Penny Rosner, Brian Stern, Steve Swanson, Tav Swarat, Craig Thornton, Ricci Welch and John Wood

Other Attendees – President Andrew Hsu, Michaela Abbott, Suzanne Austin, Mark Berry, Alicia Caudill, Mariah Cherniss (Blue Beyond Consulting), Betty Craig, John Curtis, Trisha Folds-Bennett, Jimmie Foster, Debbie Hammond, Renard Harris, George Hicks, Elizabeth Kassebaum, Larry Kelley, Simon Lewis, Ron Menchaca, Mara Mintz (Blue Beyond Consulting), Angela Mulholland, Amy Orr, Paul Patrick, Matt Roberts, Alan Shao, Mark Staples, Chris Tobin, Jeremy Turner, Fran Welch, Dawn Willan, and Mikey Zinn -- (only attending Board Members, President Hsu, Chief of Staff, Senior Leadership Team, Board Office Staff, and others presenting or participating in the meetings are noted as attendees).

Elizabeth Kassebaum, Executive Secretary for the Board of the Trustees and meeting organizer for today's virtual meeting, welcomed everyone and turned the meeting over to Chair Hay.

Chair Hay called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m. noting that the meeting notice has been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

Recognizing that we are in unprecedented times, Chair Hay turned the meeting over to Trustee Ricci Welch for a prayer and words of encouragement before beginning the meeting.

**Board of Trustees Meeting held via Zoom Video Conferencing due to COVID-19 crisis.*

Chair Hay began the meeting by reiterating how much the Board Members appreciate all that the President, administration and faculty have been doing and continue to do to help our students succeed during this unprecedented time. Further, he stated, “You all have emulated the College of Charleston spirit. Every generation of the College has faced its own challenges. While truly it will go down in history as one of the most extraordinary, you all are rising to the challenge to lead our beloved institution through this to emerge even stronger on the other side. On behalf of all of the Board of Trustees, I extend my sincere gratitude for your unrelenting commitment to student success, academic excellence and institutional prominence.”

Chair Hay then turned the meeting over to President Hsu for the COVID-19 update.

COVID-19 UPDATE

President Hsu welcomed Dr. Suzanne Austin, the new incoming Provost. Dr. Austin comes from the University of Alabama at Birmingham and will begin work on July 1.

President Hsu’s Power Point Presentation, “COVID-19 Situational Report & Response,” included the following information:

Overview of the current conditions and higher education response

- General economic trends
- Timeline

Summary of the College’s COVID-19 response to date

- Fran Welch provided Academic Affairs’ current efforts
- Alicia Caudill provided Student Affairs’ current efforts
- Ron Menchaca provided Communications’ current efforts
- Ed Pope provided Business Affairs’ current efforts
- Mark Staples provided Information Technology’s current efforts
- Jimmie Foster provided Admissions’ current efforts

Fall 2020 – The Plan to Return

President Hsu’s intention is to re-open the College for the Fall 2020 Semester, but everything is uncertain at this point. He noted that safety is his first priority.

Trustee John Busch expressed his appreciation to President Hsu for his video message regarding COVID-19 and his plans for Fall 2020 and suggested that President Hsu follow up with another video offering other arrangements for students who don’t feel comfortable returning to the campus.

Working Groups

- Ten working groups have been established to address various components of bringing students back to campus in the fall. These groups will report their findings to a central coordinating committee.
- Bridget McLerndon Sikes, Director of Student Health Services, briefed the Board regarding the medical component.
- Melantha Ardrey, Director of Residence Life; and Amy Orr, Director of Business and Auxiliary Services, briefed the Board regarding the residential component.

- Fran Welch, Interim Provost, briefed the Board regarding the academic component.
- Ed Pope, Interim Executive VP for Business Affairs/Director of Human Relations, briefed the Board regarding the employees' component.

Financial Considerations

Paul Patrick, Chief of Staff; and Dawn Willan, Controller/Interim VP, Fiscal Services and Interim CFO, provided an overview of budgetary matters regarding COVID-19 and noted that further discussion will be in Executive Session during the Budget, Finance and Facilities Committee Meeting later today.

Chair Hay recessed the Board Meeting until 2:15 p.m. this afternoon and continued with the committee meetings.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

Trustee Ricci Welch, Chair; Trustee Penny Rosner, Vice Chair

Committee Members – Ricci Welch (Chair), Penny Rosner (Vice Chair), Laurin Burch, John Busch, Demetria Clemons, Cherry Daniel, Toya Pound (absent), Renée Romberger, Tav Swarat, Craig Thornton, David Hay (ex officio), Andrew Hsu (ex officio, non-voting)

Other Board Members – Trustees Chuck Baker, Beth Burke, Hank Futch, Henrietta Golding, Shawn Holland, Randy Lowell, Brian Stern, Steve Swanson and John Wood (absent)

Call to Order

Committee Chair Ricci Welch called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. noting that the meeting notice has been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

Approval of Minutes

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Reports/Updates

Fran Welch – Provost's Report

- Provost Welch and President Hsu will join a meeting with CHE's Committee on Academic Affairs and Licensing this morning at 10:30 a.m. regarding the Electrical Engineering Program at the College.
- Nursing collaboration with MUSC and USC-Upstate
The University of South Carolina Upstate and the College are partnering to offer an innovative, dual-degree program that will enable students at the College to earn two degrees in five years, one in biology and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) from USC Upstate.

The College is working on a similar arrangement with MUSC – a new venture, not a new degree.

Following discussion regarding the termination of four academic programs and dissolution of the School of Professional Studies, the motion was made by Trustee Renee Romberger, and seconded

by Trustee Penny Rosner, to address termination of the four academic programs, separate and apart from dissolution of the School of Professional Studies. Committee Chair Welch called for the yeas and nays, and the motion unanimously passed.

Yeas – Trustees Rosner, Burch, Busch, Clemons (Vice Chair), Daniel, Romberger (Secretary), Swarat, Thornton, Chair Welch

Nays - none

Trustee Pound was absent

The motion was made by Trustee John Busch, and seconded by Trustee Cherry Daniel, to table the decision until a later date and later vote. Committee Chair Welch called for the yeas and nays and the motion failed.

Yeas – Trustees Busch, Burch, Clemons (Vice Chair), Daniel

Nays – Trustees Rosner, Romberger (Secretary), Swarat, Thornton, Chair Welch

Trustee Pound was absent

Following more discussion, the Motion was made by Trustee Penny Rosner, and seconded by Trustee Tav Swarat, to terminate the four academic programs: (1) International Comparative Literature Concentration, B.A./A.B. International Studies; (2) M.A.T. Middle Grades Education, (3) Information Systems Graduate Certificate; and (4) Special Education Post-Masters Certificate, excluding dissolution of the School of Professional Studies. Committee Chair Welch called for the yeas and nays, and the motion passed.

Yeas – Trustees Rosner, Burch, Romberger (Secretary), Swarat, Thornton, Clemons (Vice Chair), Chair Welch

Nay – Trustee Busch

Abstain – Trustee Daniel

Toya Pound was absent

Executive Session

The motion was made by Trustee John Busch, and seconded by Trustee Tav Swarat, to go into Executive Session at 11:07 a.m. for discussion of “Employee records – legal matters and executive contract negotiations – personnel matters.” All in favor.

[Only the Board of Trustees, President Hsu, Dr. Suzanne Austin, Senior Team and Elizabeth Kassebaum remained for Executive Session. All others left the virtual meeting.]

The motion was made by Trustee Cherry Daniel, and seconded by Trustee John Busch, to come out of Executive Session at 11:45 a.m. All in favor.

Committee Chairman Welch noted that no action was taken in Executive Session.

The motion was made by Trustee Tav Swarat, and seconded by Trustee Cherry Daniel, to approve the dissolution of the School of Professional Studies. Committee Chair Welch called for the yeas and nays, and the motion passed.

Yeas – Trustees Rosner, Burch, Romberger (Secretary), Swarat, Thornton, Daniel, Hay (Chair), Chair Welch

Nays – Trustees Busch and Clemons (Vice Chair)

Abstain – Trustee Pound

President Hsu advised that he and the new Provost will review other programs for discontinuation as appropriate.

Committee Chair Welch thanked Alicia Caudill, Lynne Ford, Trisha Folds-Bennett, Melantha Ardrey, and Simon Lewis for bearing with us as time constraints prevented them from presenting their reports during the meeting. These reports will be distributed to the Board of Trustees: (1) Student Success and Retention Committee Updates (Lynne Ford and Alicia Caudill); “High-touch Experimental Programs” – Honors College Examples (Trisha Folds-Bennett); Staff Advisory Committee to the President Updates (Melantha Ardrey); and Faculty Senate Updates (Simon Lewis).

Motion to Adjourn

The motion was made by Trustee Cherry Daniel, and seconded by Trustee Penny Rosner, that the Academic Affairs Committee meeting be adjourned at 11:52 a.m. All in favor.

STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ATHLETICS COMMITTEE MEETING

Trustee Chuck Baker, Chair; Trustee Shawn Holland, Vice Chair

Committee Members – Trustees Charles J. Baker (Chuck) (chair); Demetria Noisette Clemons; Henry A. Futch, Jr. (Hank); Shawn Holland (vice chair); Randolph R. Lowell (Randy), Toya D. Pound; Renée B. Romberger; Penny S. Rosner; Craig C. Thornton; Ricci L. Welch; David M. Hay, ex officio; Andrew T. Hsu, ex officio, non-voting

Other Board Member(s) – Trustees R. McLaurin Burch, John H. Busch, Elizabeth M. Burke (Beth), L. Cherry Daniel, Henrietta U. Golding, David M. Hay, Brian J. Stern, Steven D. Swanson (Steve), August G. Swarat II (Tav) and John B. Wood, Jr..

Call to Order

Committee Chair Chuck Baker called the meeting to order at 11:53 a.m. noting that the meeting notice has been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

Approval of Minutes

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Student Spotlights

Committee Chair Baker turned the meeting over to Alicia Caudill, Executive VP for Student Affairs, who presented award recipient videos.

- Niamh Cahill, Bishop Robert Smith Award
- Asia Pitts, Ted Stern Cup Award
- Olivia Rothstein, Ted Stern Cup Award
- Katherine “Abbie” Cline, Alexander Chambliss Connelley Award
- Rachel Kim, Recipient of the J. Stewart Walker Cup Award

Student Government Association Report

George Hicks, Student Government Association President, provided a report outlining the accomplishments of the SGA in 2019-2020 and introduced Jeremy Turner, the new SGA President. Jeremy is a Senior from Florence, SC.

Graduate Student Association Report

Mikey Zinn, Graduate Student Association President, provided a report summarizing the accomplishments of the GSA in 2019-2020.

Executive Session

The motion was made by Trustee Hank Futch, and seconded by Trustee John Wood, to go into Executive Session at 12:22 p.m. for “Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed purchase/lease of property.” All in favor.

[Only the Board of Trustees, President Hsu, Dr. Suzanne Austin, Senior Team, Larry Kelley and Elizabeth Kassebaum remained for Executive Session. All others left the virtual meeting.]

The motion was made by Trustee Laurin Burch, and seconded by Trustee Penny Rosner, to come out of Executive Session at 12:45 p.m. All in favor.

Regular session resumed.

Committee Chairman Baker noted that no action was taken in Executive Session.

Motion to Adjourn

The motion was made by Trustee Hank Futch, and seconded by Trustee Demetria Clemons, that the Student Affairs and Athletics Committee meeting be adjourned at 12:47 p.m. All in favor.

[Break for lunch at 12:47 p.m.]

DEVELOPMENT, ALUMNI AND GOVERNMENTAL AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

Trustee Steve Swanson, Chair; Trustee John Busch, Vice Chair

Committee Members – Trustees Steve Swanson (chair); Laurin Burch; John Busch (vice chair); Beth Burke; Cherry Daniel; Hank Futch; Henrietta Golding; Brian Stern; Tav Swarat; John Wood; David Hay, ex officio; Andrew Hsu, ex officio, non-voting

Other Board Members – Trustees Chuck Baker, Demetria Clemons, Shawn Holland, Randy Lowell, Toya Pound, Renée Romberger, Penny Rosner, Craig Thornton and Ricci Welch

Call to Order

Committee Chair Steve Swanson called the meeting to order at 1:18 p.m., noting that the meeting notice has been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

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[Larry Kelley joined the virtual meeting at 1:21 p.m.]

Reports

- Chris Tobin – Development and Alumni Affairs Update
The Alumni Board submitted a proposal for the naming of the Anthony J. Meyer '49 Alumni Welcome Center at Towell Library.

Committee Chair Steve Swanson recommended that the Naming Policy be reviewed.

The motion was made by Trustee John Busch, and seconded by Trustee Beth Burke, to approve the Resolution for the Naming of the Anthony J. Meyer '49 Alumni Welcome Center at Towell Library. Committee Chair Swanson called for the yeas and nays, and the motion passed.

**COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NAMING OF THE ANTHONY J. MEYER '49 ALUMNI WELCOME CENTER
at TOWELL LIBRARY**

May 7, 2020

WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of the President, the Chair of the Board of Trustees, and the President and President-elect of the College of Charleston Alumni Association, the Board has been requested to approve naming the Alumni Welcome Center at Towell Library in memory and honor of distinguished alumnus Anthony J. Meyer '49.

WHEREAS, the Board commends Anthony J. Meyer '49 for his many contributions over more than seven decades of service to his beloved alma mater as faculty member, coach, Chair of the Department of Health and Physical Education, director of athletics, director of intramural athletics, director of college relations, director of student activities, director of counseling, dean of men, vice president of alumni relations, administrator, and executive secretary of the Alumni Association.

WHEREAS, he has received nearly every significant honor the College bestows, including induction into the Athletics Hall of Fame, an honorary doctorate of humane letters from the College, an honorary doctorate from the University of Charleston, and the Alumni Award of Honor from the Alumni Association. He was also named executive secretary emeritus of the Alumni Association and was made an honorary past president of the Association.

WHEREAS, he founded the College's Student Alumni Associates, one of the premier leadership organizations for undergraduate students, and left an indelible mark on generations of students and alumni. Through his generosity of spirit, passion for lifelong learning and friendships, sincere concern for others, and intense pride in his alma mater, he was truly "Mr. CofC."

NOW THEREFORE BE IT - - -

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RESOLVED, that the mission of the Anthony J. Meyer '49 Alumni Center at Towell Library shall be to promote and sustain the programmatic aspects of welcoming and engaging students and alumni in lifelong support of the College of Charleston, a labor of love for which Anthony J. Meyer was renowned.

RESOLVED, that the President shall cause a copy of this Resolution, properly endorsed by the Secretary of the Board, to be presented to the family of Anthony J. Meyer '49 and the College of Charleston Alumni Association Board of Directors.

RESOLVED, that the President may take such further actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out this Resolution and to achieve its purposes.

- Ron Menchaca – Marketing and Communications Update
It is time to update the Crisis Communications Plan (guide, templates, etc.)
- Paul Patrick – Governmental Affairs Update

Motion to Adjourn

The motion was made by Trustee John Wood, and seconded by Trustee Beth Burke, that the Development, Alumni, and Governmental Affairs and External Relations Committee be adjourned at 2:00 p.m. All in favor.

ACCESS, EQUITY AND INCLUSION SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

Trustee Cherry Daniel, Chair

Committee Members – *Cherry Daniel (Chair), Chuck Baker, John Busch, Demetria Clemons and Ricci Welch*

Other Board Members – *Trustees Laurin Burch, Beth Burke, Hank Futch, Henrietta Golding, David Hay, Shawn Holland, Randy Lowell, Toya Pound, Renée Romberger, Penny Rosner, Brian Stern, Steve Swanson, Tav Swarat, Craig Thornton and John Wood*

Call to Order

Committee Chair Cherry Daniel called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. noting that the meeting notice has been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

Approval of Minutes

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Reports by Renard Harris

- Diversity EDU Results
- Crossing The Cistern Expansion
- Black Alumni Mentor Collective – Trustee Demetria Clemons recommended replacing “Black Alumni” with “Multi-cultural” to include other cultures.
- 1967 Legacy Program – Renard recognized Trustees Randy Lowell and Demetria Clemons for their contributions to the Legacy Program.

Motion to Adjourn

The motion was made by Vice Chair Demetria Clemons, and seconded by Trustee John Busch, that the Access, Equity and Inclusion Subcommittee meeting be adjourned at 2:16 p.m. All in favor.

BUDGET, FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Trustee Randy Lowell, Chair; Trustee John Wood, Vice Chair

Committee Members – Trustees Randy Lowell (chair); Chuck Baker; Beth Burke; Demetria Clemons; Henrietta Golding; Shawn Holland, Renée Romberger; Brian Stern; Steve Swanson; and John Wood (Vice Chair); David Hay, *ex officio*; Andrew Hsu, *ex officio, non-voting*

Other Board Member(s) – Trustees Laurin Burch, John Busch, Cherry Daniel, Hank Futch, Toya Pound, Penny Rosner, Tav Swarat, Craig Thornton and Ricci Welch

Call to Order

Committee Chair Randy Lowell called the meeting to order at 2:16 p.m. noting that the meeting notice has been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

Approval of Minutes

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Presentations/Updates

Chair Lowell turned the meeting over to Ed Pope, VP of Human Resources and Interim Executive VP for Business Affairs, to introduce those presenting updates.

- IT Update (previously provided in paper form)
- Facilities Update (previously provided in paper form)

Jimmie Foster presented the Enrollment Update. Trustee Laurin Burch asked about the importance of test scores and Jimmie responded that the best predictor of success is high school GPA scores.

Dawn Willan reviewed recommended budget adjustments to the 2019-2020 budget previously approved by the Board.

- Capital projects
- Lottery funds
- MBS tuition allocation
- REACH revenue
- Miscellaneous revenue

Larry Kelley presented a new budget format for the Quarterly Financial Report Ending March 31, 2020 to help the Board of Trustees better understand the budgeting process.

Executive Session

The motion was made by Trustee John Wood, and seconded by Trustee Steve Swanson, to enter Executive Session at 3:13 p.m. for “discussion of negotiations, incident to proposed contractual arrangements, and proposed purchase/lease of property.” All in favor.

[Only the Board Members, President Hsu, Senior Team, Larry Kelley, Amy Orr, Suzanne Austin, Dawn Willan and Elizabeth Kassebaum remained for Executive Session.]

The motion was made by Trustee Steve Swanson, and seconded by Trustee Renée Romberger, to come out of Executive Session and resume regular session. All in favor.

Regular Session resumed.

Committee Chair Lowell noted for the record that no action was taken during Executive Session.

Chair Hay noted that he will meet with President Hsu to determine future meeting dates/times to deal with the Budget, Finance and Facilities Committee challenges.

[The Budget Workshop will be scheduled in two weeks to prepare for the June Board of Trustees meeting.]

Motion to Adjourn

The motion was made by Trustee Chuck Baker, and seconded by Trustee John Wood, that the Budget, Finance and Facilities Committee be adjourned at 3:45 p.m. All in favor.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING RECONVENED

Chair Hay reconvened the Board meeting at 3:45 p.m. and welcomed Jenna Schiferl with the *Post and Courier* to the meeting this afternoon.

Approval of Minutes

The motion was made by Trustee Renée Romberger, and seconded by Trustee Henrietta Golding, that the minutes of the March 19, 2020 Board of Trustees Emergency Meeting and the March 20, 2020 Board of Trustees Special Meeting/Strategic Planning Workshop be approved as presented. The Chair called for the yeas and nays, and the Minutes were approved.

Strategic Planning Presentation and Approval

President Hsu shared that the Strategic Planning process accomplished all of his expectations and turned the meeting over to Mariah Cherniss and Mara Mintz, Blue Beyond Consultants, for a Power Point Presentation regarding the new Strategic Plan.

Mariah Cherniss reviewed the process for collecting information for the Strategic Plan. Two virtual town halls were scheduled on campus with 309 participants and 220 survey respondents. Overall, most (62%) agree that it is a good plan.

The proposed Strategic Plan Framework:

- Mission
- Vision
- Core Values
- Strategic Plan Pillars
- Student Experience and Success
- Academic Distinction
- Employee Experience and Success

President Hsu noted this is the same document that the Board reviewed at the March 20 Strategic Plan Workshop, including their recommended changes. The Senior Leadership Team reworded some of the initiatives, and it was sent back to the committee, and then President Hsu for his final review of the plan.

Trustee Chuck Baker asked for a list of glossary terms before the Strategic Plan is promulgated. Mariah will provide the list for the Board of Trustees.

The motion was made by Trustee Renée Romberger, and seconded by Trustee Ricci Welch that the new Strategic Plan be approved as presented. The Chair called for the yeas and nays, and the motion was approved. *[Trustees Brian Stern and John Wood were absent and did not vote on the Strategic Plan.]*

Chair Hay noted that this new Strategic Plan will require an amendment to the “Mission Statement” section of the Board Bylaws. Amended Board Bylaws to incorporate the new Mission Statement will be presented for approval at the August Board meeting.

Appropriate notice of the Bylaws Amendment will be sent to the Board members.

Trustee Reneé Romberger shared “it is time to celebrate that after one and a half years, we have a Strategic Plan. President Hsu began work on June 1, and his commitment to take the College of Charleston to the next level came true. Thank you, President Hsu, for your leadership.”

Motion to Approve Termination of Four Academic Programs

Chair Hay noted that the Academic Affairs Committee met earlier today, and the Committee voted to approve the termination of four academic programs: (1) International Comparative Literature Concentration, B.A./A.B. International Studies; (2) M.A.T. Middle Grades Education, (3) Information Systems Graduate Certificate; and (4) Special Education Post-Masters Certificate, excluding dissolution of the School of Professional Studies. **The Committee moves that, after a series of internal and external data analyses, the following programs exhibit consistent low enrollments while operating at relatively high cost. Therefore, based on the recommendation of the President, the Interim Provost, the various College review committees for the School of Professional Studies, the administration will take the necessary actions to terminate the International Comparative Literature Concentration, B.A./A.B. International Studies; M.A.T. Middle Grades Education; Information Systems Graduate Certificate; and Special Education Post-Masters Certificate, excluding dissolution of the School of Professional Studies. The Chair called for the yeas and nays and the motion passed.** *Trustees Brian Stern, Toya Pound and John Wood were absent and did not vote.]*

Yeas – Trustees Baker, Burch, Burke, Daniel, Futch, Golding, Hay (Chair), Holland, Lowell, Romberger (Secretary), Rosner, Swanson, Thornton, Welch

Nay – Trustees Busch and Clemons (Vice Chair)

Toya Pound, Brian Stern, and John Wood were absent

Resolution to Approve Naming of the Anthony J. Meyer '49 Alumni Welcome Center at Towell Library

Chair Hay noted that the Development, Alumni, Governmental & External Relations Committee met earlier today, and the Committee voted to approve the naming of the Anthony J. Meyer '49 Alumni Welcome Center at Towell Library. He asked for unanimous consent to dispense with reading of the Resolution. **The Committee moves that the Resolution to Approve the naming of the Anthony J. Meyer '49 Alumni Welcome Center at Towell Library be adopted as presented. The Chair called for the yeas and nays, and the motion passed.**

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Resolution to Approve Quarterly Budget Adjustment – March 31, 2020

Chair Hay noted that after considerable discussion regarding budget adjustments, further conversations/meetings will be scheduled.

President's Report

Because the meeting was so long today, President Hsu noted that his report will be brief. He stated, "This has been quite a year. I started about a year ago on the 16th. This is my freshman year, and I think it is nothing short of a transition year. Discussion of budget earlier. Focus on the positive. I am very proud of our students and this institution. Thanks to all Board members for your support over the past year. It is your support that makes this a great institution. Thank you. We have done quite a bit this last year. I hate to think about what we will do with the Strategic Plan next year."

Board Chair's Report

First, Chair Hay presented retirement/farewell gifts to three members of the faculty/staff leaving the College.

Presentation to Trisha Folds-Bennett

Chair Hay informed everyone that Trisha Folds-Bennett will leave her position as Dean of the Honors College to become the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at the University of Virginia (UVA)'s College at Wise.

Trisha earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in Psychology from Wake Forest University and her doctoral degree in Developmental Psychology from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She began her journey at the College in Fall 1990 as a visiting assistant professor in the Psychology Department. In Fall 1993, she transitioned to a tenure-track position, eventually moving into the rank of tenured associate professor of psychology and serving as the first female Speaker of the Faculty at the College of Charleston from 1998-2001. From June 2006 to January 2013, she served as Associate Dean of the Honors College. As Dean, she oversees all operations of the 750-student Honors College, including admissions, curriculum, student and faculty development, assessment, budget and staff management, and fundraising.

Since this will be Trisha's last Board meeting, Chair Hay thanked her for her years of dedicated service to the College of Charleston by presenting her with a framed print of Randolph Hall. *[Trisha's picture with framed print was on the screen].*

Presentation to Jimmie Foster

Chair Hay informed everyone that Jimmie will leave his position as VP for Enrollment Planning on June 30th to become Vice President of Enrollment Management at Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Jimmie has provided leadership to the Division of University Marketing and Enrollment Planning, since 2015; he previously served the College as Assistant Vice President of Enrollment and director of Freshman Admissions. He began his work at the College in March 2008. Each spring he has been able to combine his passion for English football and working directly with first-year College of Charleston students when he co-presents an eight-week long seminar that culminates in leading a study abroad experience to the United Kingdom with 15 first-year students based on the theme of sociology, history and economics of soccer. Jimmie holds a bachelor's degree in government and American politics from George Mason University and a master's of science degree in higher education administration from Drexel University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Since this will be Jimmie's last Board meeting, Chair Hay thanked him for his years of dedicated service to the College of Charleston by presenting him with a framed print of Randolph Hall. *[Jimmie's picture with framed print was on the screen].*

Presentation to Debbie Hammond

After 32 years in the S.C. Senate and the Lt. Governor's Office, Debbie came to the College with President Glenn McConnell. She served President McConnell as his Senior Executive Administrator and stayed on after President McConnell's retirement as Executive Assistant to President Steve Osborne and President Andrew Hsu. Debbie is looking forward to a retirement spent with her husband, their children and grandchildren.

Since this will be Debbie's last Board meeting, Chair Hay thanked her for her years of dedicated service to the College of Charleston by presenting her with a framed print of Randolph Hall. *[Debbie's picture with framed print was on the screen].*

Other Introductions at August Board Meeting

Next, Chair Hay shared that there are a number of other special individuals we would like to thank at a later time for their service in their roles this semester, including:

- Jeff Kinard, who is stepping down as Chair of the Foundation Board
- Michael Renault, who is stepping down as President of the Alumni Board
- Fran Welch, who is stepping down as Interim Provost and will return to the School of Education, Health and Human Performance
- Ed Pope, who is stepping down as Interim Executive VP, Business Affairs and will return as VP of Human Resources
- George Hicks, who is stepping down as President of the Student Government Association
- Mikey Zinn, who is stepping down as President of the Graduate Student Association

Because these individuals will continue to be available in the local community, they will be invited back to the August Board of Trustees meeting.

Housekeeping Items

Due to time constraints, no housekeeping items were presented. Elizabeth Kassebaum will present housekeeping items at the next Board meeting.

Executive Session

The motion was made by Trustee Tav Swarat, and seconded by Trustee Craig Thornton, to go into Executive Session at 4:39 p.m. for the following purposes: (1) Legal Counsel will consult and provide legal advice on litigation, including actual and potential legal claims; (2) Employee records – legal matters and executive contract negotiations – personnel matters; (3) Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed purchase/lease of property; and (4) Discussion of trade secrets (Section 30-4-40) where public disclosure would expose commercially valuable plans, marketing services, and competitive information. All in favor.

[Trustee Chuck Baker recused himself from the discussion in Executive Session due to a potential conflict of interest.]

[Only the Board Members, President Hsu, Senior Team, Larry Kelley, Suzanne Austin, Amy Orr, Dawn Willan and Elizabeth Kassebaum remained for Executive Session.]

The motion was made by Trustee Henrietta Golding, and seconded by Trustee Cherry Daniel, to come out of Executive Session at 5:04 p.m. All in favor.

Regular session resumed.

Chair Hay noted for the record that no action was taken during Executive Session.

Motion to Adjourn

The motion was made by Trustee Henrietta Golding, and seconded by Trustee Renée Romberger, that the meeting be adjourned at 5:05 p.m. All in favor.