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Executive Committee

August 9, 2013

The Executive Committee of the University of South Carolina Board of Trustees met on Friday, August 9, 2013, at 10:20 a.m. in the Campus Room at Capstone.

Members present were: Mr. Eugene P. Warr, Jr., Chairman; Dr. C. Edward Floyd; Mr. Toney J. Lister; Mr. Miles Loadholt; and Mr. John C. von Lehe, Jr., with Mr. William C. Hubbard participating by telephone.

Other Trustees present were: Mr. Chuck Allen; Mr. Robert “Eddie” Brown; Mr. J. Egerton Burroughs; Mr. Mark W. Buyck, Jr.; Mr. Thomas C. Cofield; Mr. A.C. “Bubba” Fennell; Mr. William W. Jones, Jr.; Mr. Hubert F. Mobley; Ms. Leah B. Moody; Dr. C. Dorn Smith, III; Mr. Thad H. Westbrook; Mr. Mack I. Whittle, Jr.; and Mr. Charles H. Williams.

Also present were faculty representative Dr. James H. Knapp and student representative Chase Mizzell.

Others present were: President Harris Pastides; Secretary Amy E. Stone; Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Michael D. Amiridis; General Counsel Walter “Terry” H. Parham; Chief Financial Officer Edward L. Walton; Vice President for Student Affairs and Vice Provost for Academic Support Dennis A. Pruitt; Vice President for Research Prakash Nagarkatti; Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer William F. Hogue; Vice President for Human Resources Chris Byrd; Interim Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations Susan Lee; Interim Vice President for Communications Wes Hickman; USC Beaufort Chancellor Jane Upshaw; Palmetto College Chancellor Susan A. Elkins; USC Upstate Chancellor Tom Moore; Senior Vice Provost and Director of Strategic Planning Christine W. Curtis; Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies Lacy Ford; Associate Vice President for Business and Finance Leslie Brunelli; Associate Vice President for Business Affairs, Finance and Planning Division, Helen T. Zeigler; University Treasurer and Associate Secretary Susan D. Hanna; University Foundations Executive Director Russell H. Meekins; Associate Vice President for Business and Finance and Medical Business Affairs Jeffrey L. Perkins; Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and
Chairman Warr called the meeting to order and stated that notice of the meeting had been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act; the agenda and supporting materials had been circulated; and a quorum was present to conduct business. Mr. Hickman introduced members of the media in attendance: Amanda Coyne with The Daily Gamecock; Andy Shain with The State Newspaper; Drew Brooks with The Herald-Journal.

Chairman Warr stated that there was a need to discuss proposed contractual matters appropriate for Executive Session. Chairman Warr called for a motion to enter Executive Session. Mr. von Lehe so moved and Dr. Floyd seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

Chairman Warr invited the following persons to remain: Trustees, the Faculty and Student Representatives to the Board, President Pastides, Secretary Stone, Members of the President’s Executive Council, Dr. Doerpinghaus; Dr. Howell; Dr. Narasimhan, Dr. Curtis; Dr. Ford; Dr. Anderson, Mr. Perkins and Ms. Zeigler.
I. Contracts

A. Academic Analytics LLC: Chairman Warr called on Mr. Parham who said that the committee was being asked to approve a proposed license agreement with Academic Analytics. It was a four-year agreement that would cost the University $418,000 over the four-year term.

Chairman Warr called for a motion to approve a four-year license agreement valued at $418,000 with Academic Analytics, LLC for use of the company's proprietary benchmark and peer evaluation data as described in the agenda materials and presented by Mr. Parham. Mr. Lister so moved. Dr. Floyd seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

B. William Jennings Bryan Dorn Veterans Medical Center: Chairman Warr called on Mr. Parham who said that the committee was being asked to approve a proposed lease of 2,699 square feet at the VA Hospital Medical Center. It is a ten-year lease for which the School of Medicine will pay $46,800 per year for the first five years and $47,232 per year for the second five years. Either party can terminate with a 90-day notice. The cost of the lease will be paid with indirect costs generated from the research that will be done by the researchers using the space.

Chairman Warr called for a motion to approve a ten-year agreement to share 11 laboratories in Building 9A of the William Jennings Bryan Dorn Veterans Medical Center at a cost of $46,800.66 per year for years one through five and $47,232.50 per year for years six through ten. Mr. von Lehe so moved. Mr. Lister seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

C. Richardson Family Endowed SmartState Center for Tourism and Economic Development: Chairman Warr called on Mr. Parham who said that in 2004 the Richardson family entered into a gift agreement to create the Richardson Family Endowed Chair in Hospitality. The family and the College of Hospitality now request that the gift agreement be amended to create instead the Richardson Family Endowed SmartState Center for Tourism and Economic Development Endowment Fund. By doing so, Mr. Parham said that the $1 million gift from the Richardson family would be matched by the SmartState Program.

Chairman Warr called for a motion to rename the $1 million gift agreement establishing The Richardson Family Endowed Chair in Hospitality Fund as The Richardson Family SmartState Center for Tourism and Economic Development Endowment Fund. Dr. Floyd so moved. Mr. Lister seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

D. Integrated Research on Disaster Risk Programme: Chairman Warr called on Mr.
Parham who said that the committee was being asked to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the College of Arts and Sciences Department of Geography with an entity known as the Integrated Research on Disaster Risk Programme. The purpose of the MOU was to create a Center of Excellence in Vulnerability and Resilience Metrics within the USC Department of Geography. This would be only the second center of its type in the world that studies natural disasters. It would be funded by $75,000 from the College of Arts and Sciences for a five-year period.

Chairman Warr called for a motion to approve a five-year Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the USC’s Department of Geography and the Integrated Research on Disaster Risk Programme (IRDR) to establish the International Centre of Excellence in Vulnerability and Resilience Metrics. Under the MOU, the University through the College of Arts and Sciences will contribute $75,000 annually to the operations of the center. The purpose of the center is to develop science-based models, methods and metrics that provide empirically-based support for disaster risk reduction policies and practices. Dr. Susan Cutter, Carolina Distinguished Professor of Geography, will serve as director of the center.

Mr. von Lehe so moved. Mr. Loadholt seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

E. Corporate Solutions, LLC: Chairman Warr called on Mr. Parham who said that recently the Business Partnership Foundation (BPF) created a separate wholly-owned eleemosynary corporation called Corporate Solutions. It did so for risk management reasons in order to protect the overall BPF assets. Corporate Solutions will handle business activities that the BPF has historically done. In order for Corporate Solutions to function, the BPF is requesting approval of a master agreement, as well as approval of the assignment by BPF to Corporate Solutions of the BPF’s rights under the 1982 agreement in which the University provides space for use by BPF on the eighth floor of the Darla Moore School of Business (DMSB), and to amend the 2005 agreement in which the University is reimbursed for employees it provides to the BPF.

Chairman Warr called for a motion to approve the amendment to an agreement between USC and Corporate Solutions, LLC under which Corporate Solutions will work on behalf of the BPF to enhance and improve the DMSB. The University will provide staff support for which Corporate Solutions will reimburse the total cost, including fringe benefits. Mr. Lister so moved. Mr. von Lehe seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

F. Authority to Sign Contracts Policy BTRU 1.04: Chairman Warr called on Mr. Parham who said that the Board’s policy that indicates who can sign policies on behalf of the University
has three proposed amendments: (1) recognition of the Chancellor of Palmetto College with the same authority to sign contracts as the University’s other chancellors; (2) correction of the title for the Vice President of Research; and (3) correction to references to the Board’s Bylaws to coincide with recent updates.

Chairman Warr called for a motion to recommend approval to the full Board of the amended Authority to Sign Contracts Policy (BTRU 1.04) as described in the agenda materials and presented by Mr. Parham. Mr. Lister so moved. Mr. von Lehe seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

II. Off-Cycle Fee Request: USC Upstate’s International Program Rate

Chairman Warr called on Chancellor Moore who said that USC Upstate was seeking approval to add two additional international universities to the approved FY14 fee as established for Zhejiang Forestry University of China, which is the in-state tuition plus $2,000. The established rate of in-state tuition plus the $2,000 differential would allow for coverage of fees, regardless of program of study, with an additional administrative fee to cover other expenses associated with supporting an international student. Chancellor Moore said that these students pay full rate for housing and meal plans.

Chairman Warr called for a motion to recommend approval to the full Board of USC Upstate’s International Program Rate off-cycle fee request to add two additional international universities to the approved FY14 fee as established for Zhejiang Forestry University of China, which is the in-state tuition plus $2,000. Mr. Lister so moved. Mr. Loadholt seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. OneCarolina Update:

Chairman Warr called on Dr. Hogue who provided an update on OneCarolina. He reported that Accounts Receivable went live in mid-July. That successful implementation was the final major piece of the student information systems phase of OneCarolina. The Board will be briefed on next steps for OneCarolina at its October 2013 meeting.

Chairman Warr stated that this report was received as information.

IV. Audit and Compliance Committee Charter – This item of business was deferred.

IV. Adjournment

Since there were no other matters to come before the Executive Committee, Chairman Warr declared the meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,