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Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee

September 17, 2010

The Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee of the University of South Carolina Board of Trustees met on Friday, September 17, 2010, in the 1600 Hampton Street Board Room at 2:35 p.m.

Members present were: Mr. William W. Jones, Jr., Chairman; Mr. W. Lee Bussell, Sr.; Mr. Greg Gregory; Mr. William C. Hubbard; Dr. C. Dorn Smith, III; Mr. Thad H. Westbrook; Mr. Charles H. Williams; Mr. Miles Loadholt, Board Chairman; and Mr. Eugene P. Warr, Jr., Board Vice Chairman. Mr. Mark W. Buyck, Jr. was absent.

Other Trustees present were: Mr. Herbert C. Adams; Mr. J. Egerton Burroughs; Mr. Toney J. Lister; Ms. Leah B. Moody; and Mr. Mack I. Whittle, Jr.

Faculty Liaison Committee representatives present were: Dr. Patrick D. Nolan, Chair of the Faculty Senate; Dr. Allen Dennis, USC Aiken, Senior Campuses Representative; and Dr. Stephen Bishoff, USC Sumter, Regional Campuses Representative. Members absent were: Dr. Kevin J. Bennett, Chair of the Faculty Welfare Committee and Dr. Harold Friedman, Chair of the Faculty Advisory Committee.

Others present were: President Harris Pastides; Secretary Thomas L. Stepp; Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Michael D. Amiridis; Vice President for Student Affairs and Vice Provost for Academic Support Dennis A. Pruitt; Vice President of Development and Alumni Relations Michelle D. Dodenhoff; General Counsel Walter (Terry) H. Parham; Vice President for Communications Luanne Lawrence; Associate Vice President for Resource Planning Edward L. Walton; Special Assistant to the President J. Cantey Heath, Jr.; Senior Vice Provost Christine W. Curtis; Vice Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Studies Helen I. Doerpinghaus; Chancellor of USC Upstate John C. Stockwell; Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, USC Beaufort, Martha A. Moriarty; Vice President for Medical Affairs Donald J. DiPette; Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Mary Ann Fitzpatrick; Executive Dean of the South Carolina College of Pharmacy Joseph T. DiPiro; USC Columbia Dean of the South Carolina College of Pharmacy Randall C. Rowen; Executive Associate Dean of the Arnold School of Public Health Cheryl Addy; Special Assistant to the President and Director of Athletics John D. Gregory; Director of Governmental and Community Relations and Legislative Liaison Shirley D. Mills; Director of Governmental Affairs and Legislative Liaison Casey Martin; Executive Director of the South Carolina Bar Association Bob Wells; President-Elect of the Board of Governors, South Carolina Bar Association, A. Marvin Quattlebaum, Jr.; Wife of Trustee Charles Williams, Karen Williams; Director of the Office of Media Relations,

Division of University Advancement, Margaret Lamb; University Technology Services Production Manager, Justin Johnson; Board staff members Terri Saxon, Vera Stone, and Karen Tweedy.

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order and invited those Board members present to introduce themselves. Ms. Lamb indicated that no members of the press were in attendance.

Chairman Jones 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 e-mailed to the Committee; and a quorum was present to conduct business.

Chairman Jones stated that there were personnel matters dealing with recommendations for honorary faculty titles, appointments with tenure and honorary degree nominations which were appropriate for discussion in Executive Session.

Chairman Jones called for a motion to enter Executive Session. Dr. Smith so moved and Mr. Westbrook seconded the motion. The vote was taken, and the motion carried.

The following individuals were invited to remain: Dr. Pastides, Secretary Stepp, Dr. Amiridis, Dr. Moore, Dr. Pruitt, Ms. Dodenhoff, Mr. Heath, Mr. Parham, Dr. Doerpinghaus, Dr. Curtis, Mr. Gregory, Mr. Walton, Ms. Mills, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Lamb, Mrs. Saxon, Ms. Stone, and Mrs. Tweedy.

Return to Open Session

Chairman Jones called on Provost Amiridis to present the Open Session items.

I. Terminations:

A. Doctor of Public Health in Epidemiology, USC Columbia: Provost Amiridis explained that the Department of Epidemiology offered two doctoral degrees: the Doctor of Public Health and the Ph.D. degree (a more traditional degree). Department of Epidemiology faculty originally thought they wanted the flexibility and market conditions were different when the Doctor of Public Health program was established.

A recent assessment of these two programs had determined that enrollments were very limited in the Doctor of Public Health; the current market did not justify the resources to rejuvenate the program. As a result, no students were enrolled in the program.

B. Bachelor of Arts in Middle Grade Education, USC Upstate
(terminating distance delivery to Bermuda receiver site):

Provost Amiridis noted that this particular program was delivered via distance education by USC Upstate Bermuda. The delivery of the program to this location was being terminated because the college at the receiving end was outdated and, as a result, and other local conditions, there was a reduced demand for that site.

Mr. Gregory moved approval to terminate these two programs as presented. Mr. Westbrook seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

II. Program Change:

- Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art Studio with an emphasis in Graphic Design to Bachelor of Art with an emphasis in Graphic Design,
USC Upstate:

Provost Amiridis explained that USC Upstate offered a Bachelor of Fine Arts with an emphasis in Graphic Design. It was proposed to change the program from a Bachelor of Fine Arts to a Bachelor of Art. This change was strongly recommended by the national accrediting agency for schools of art because it was noted that the additional BFA requirements (total of 127 credit hours) unnecessarily prolonged the student's coursework to 5 years (and in some cases longer). The proposed change to a BA degree (total of 120 credit hours) was more flexible with the current curriculum and could be more readily completed within a 4 year timeframe.

Mr. Westbrook moved approval of this program change as presented. Dr. Smith seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. New Certificate:

- Undergraduate Certificate in Event Management, USC Beaufort:

Provost Amiridis stated that USC Beaufort was proposing a new undergraduate 15 credit hour certificate program in Event Management. Students enrolling in the program

will be required to enroll concurrently in the Bachelor of Arts in Hospitality Management. He further noted that USC Beaufort had three additional certificate programs structured in the same manner: Private Club Management; Hotel Management; Food and Beverage Management.

The Event Management certificate will provide an opportunity to build local expertise in a field that was in high demand particularly in the Hilton Head area. Provost Amiridis iterated the fact that this certificate program was not a new concept, but rather a sub specialization within the existing Hospitality Management program.

Dr. Smith moved approval to establish the certificate program in Event Management at USC Beaufort. Mr. Bussell seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

IV. New Center:

- William P. & Lou W. Kennedy Pharmacy Practice Innovation Center, South Carolina College of Pharmacy, USC Columbia and MUSC:

Provost Amiridis presented for approval the establishment of the William P. & Lou W. Kennedy Pharmacy Practice Innovation Center ("KPPIC") to promote new innovation and entrepreneurship in the practice of pharmacy. Faculty from the South Carolina College of Pharmacy and the Darla Moore School of Business will collaborate with pharmacists and health organizations in the community to encourage the development of pharmacy opportunities beyond the current "typical practice models."

The center will be funded entirely by a \$30 million gift from the Kennedys announced earlier today. Activities supported by the center will include student scholarships, faculty fellowships, endowed chair, lecture series, and various educational opportunities for the students.

Mr. Westbrook moved approval to establish the William P. & Lou W. Kennedy Pharmacy Practice Innovation Center, USC Columbia and MUSC. Mr. Gregory seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

V. Name Change:

- School of the Environment to Environment and Sustainability Program, College of Arts and Sciences, USC Columbia:

Provost Amiridis advised that recently the Board of Trustees had approved the creation of the "School of Earth, Ocean and Environment" which comprised four entities: the Department of Earth and Ocean Sciences; the Marine Science Program; the School of the Environment; and the Baruch Institute for Marine and Coastal Sciences.

He pointed out that having a school within a school was structurally confusing. Therefore, the University was requesting approval to rename it the "Environment and Sustainability Program" within the School of Earth, Ocean and Environment. He further advised that this designation was the national standard for academic offerings in that particular discipline and reflected the unit's mission within the new umbrella.

Dr. Smith moved approval of the name change as presented. Mr. Westbrook seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

VI. Recommendation for Establishment of Fixed Term Chairs in the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Music and School of Law:

Provost Amiridis was requesting approval of the establishment of fixed term chairs in the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Music and School of Law. Deans Fitzpatrick, Harding and Pratt were requesting their creation as both recruitment and performance tools to retain faculty members. Fixed term chairs would be awarded from 1-3 years; funding would be provided from the operating budgets of the individual colleges.

Mr. Westbrook moved approval of the establishment of fixed term chairs in the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Music and School of Law as presented. Dr. Smith seconded the motion.

Responding to Mr. Westbrook's inquiry about the use of this tool at the University, Provost Amiridis indicated that the process had begun last spring in the College of Engineering and Computing. He believed that other schools would choose this option in the future.

The vote was taken and the motion carried.

VII. Report on Law School Review:

Provost Amiridis advised the committee that a Blue Ribbon Panel President Pastides and he recently appointed had conducted an intense review of the School of Law from September 1st - September 3rd.

Members of this review panel included four outstanding academics from across the country; Dean Kent D. Syverud of the Washington University School of Law in St. Louis was the chair.

In addition, two outstanding legal professionals from the state of South Carolina were also members: Justice Costa M. Pleicones and Carl L. Solomon, the current president of the South Carolina Bar Association.

Provost Amiridis reported that the panel met with every faculty member in the Law School either individually or in groups of 2 or 3. They also had an opportunity to meet with members of the University administration; members of the Law School administration; and with members of the Board of Trustees.

In addition, the panel engaged in a very lively meeting with a focus group consisting of 15 individuals with very strong legal credentials who were either alumni or very good friends of the Law School.

He anticipated a report within the week which, he noted, will be publicized in the near future.

Provost Amiridis introduced two representatives from the South Carolina Bar Association: the Executive Director, Mr. Bob Wells, and the President-Elect of the South Carolina Bar Association, Mr. Marvin Quattlebaum.

Mr. Quattlebaum thanked the committee for the opportunity to speak. He thanked the administration for including a representative from the Bar on the Blue Ribbon Panel. In addition, the chair of the Bar's House of Delegates was a member of the Law School Dean Search Committee.

He reiterated a few issues which were important to the Bar. They included scholarship and academic importance which he characterized as "very critical to the success of the Law School"; skills training to benefit law students because the practice of law was changing; the relationship of funding to Law School facilities vs. other matters (scholarships, sabbaticals, retention of quality professors).

In closing, Mr. Quattlebaum stressed that the South Carolina Bar Association was available to help the University. "If there are things that you as a Board of Trustees believe that the Bar can do to assist with the Law School, we would like to hear from you. We would like to have a closer relationship than perhaps we have had in the past." The Law School, he noted, was an important topic particularly this year and the Bar would welcome feedback and exchange of information.

Chairman Jones announced that, following discussion with the President and the chair of the Blue Ribbon Panel, he intended to appoint Board members who were lawyers as well as others to an advisory ad hoc committee in order to meet with and assist the Provost with the prioritization and implementation of the recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Panel. This advisory ad hoc committee would always meet with the Provost; liaise with the Bar relative to the Law School; liaise through the Provost to the faculty when appropriate regarding programs consistent with the Blue Ribbon Panel report; and, most importantly, send a signal to the faculty and students of the Law School and the Bar that the Board of Trustees and this committee were dedicated to the Law School and were going to do those things that were necessary to try to revitalize the Law School to its former status.

President Pastides thanked Chairman Jones for this initiative and looked forward to that liaison with the Provost. He characterized the draft report of the Blue Ribbon Panel as "blunt." Some of the suggested changes, he anticipated, will be "the hardest to accomplish because they refer and relate to a culture change." The administration, he further stressed, was not only committed to change but decisive and rapid change.

Chairman Jones concluded that he was convinced the Administration was "committed to getting the Law School back to where it ought to be." The sole purpose of establishing

this ad hoc committee was to maintain an appropriate focus on the Law School and to assist with the implementation of the Blue Ribbon Panel recommendations.

Since there were no other matters to come before the Committee, Chairman Jones declared the meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas L. Stepp
Secretary