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# University of South Carolina BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Governance Committee – Called

By Microsoft Teams

Hosted from Osborne Administration, Suite 206

March 15, 2024

#### OPEN SESSION

# I. <u>Call to Order</u>

Chair Newton called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Secretary Howell confirmed Trustees attending in person and by Microsoft Teams audio and video conference.

## Committee Members in attendance:

Rose Buyck Newton, Chair (online)

C. Dan Adams (online)

Alex English (online)

Hubert F. Mobley (online)

E. Scott Moïse (online)

Leah B. Moody (online)

C. Dorn Smith III (online)

Thad H. Westbrook, Board Chair

#### Other Trustees in attendance:

Brian C. Harlan (online)

Henry L. Jolly Jr. (online)

Richard A. Jones Jr. (online)

Emma W. Morris (online)

Reid T. Sherard (online)

John C. von Lehe Jr. (online)

Charles H. Williams (online)

#### Others in attendance:

Robin Roberts, Advisor to the Advancement, Engagement and Communications Committee (online)

David Seaton, Advisor to the Governance Committee (online)

#### Administrators in attendance:

Michael Amiridis, President

Cameron Howell, University Secretary and Secretary of the Board of Trustees

Terry Parham, General Counsel

Ray Tanner, Athletics Director

Ed Walton, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

# Media in attendance:

David Cloninger, the *Post & Courier* Alan Cole, GamecockScoop.com Thomas Gore, FoxCarolina.com Hale McGranahan, BigSpur.com Dwayne McLemore, the *State* Wes Mitchell, GamecockCentral.com

#### Notice:

Chair Newton stated notice of the meeting and agenda had been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act; the agenda and supporting materials had been circulated to the Committee; and a quorum was present to conduct business.

# MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Newton stated there was a need for an Executive Session for a discussion about a proposed contractual matter regarding an amendment to the employment contract for the Head Men's Basketball Coach.

Dr. Smith made the motion to enter Executive Session, and Mr. Mobley seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

Chair Newton invited the following to remain: Trustees, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Seaton, President Amiridis, Secretary Howell, Dr. Fritz, Mr. Parham, Mr. Tanner, and Board support staff.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Executive Session Removed

# <u>RETURN TO OPEN SESSION</u>

## II. Approval of Athletics Contracts

General Counsel Terry Parham presented an Athletics contract for approval.

 Amendment #1 to Employment Agreement for Head Men's Basketball Coach Lamont Paris Dr. Smith made a motion to approve the amendment to the employment agreement for Head Men's Basketball Coach Lamont Paris as presented. Ms. Moïse seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

# III. Adjournment

Chair Newton declared the meeting adjourned at 9:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cameron Howell Secretary