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University of South Carolina
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Advancement, Engagement and Communications Committee

In Person, Floyd Boardroom, Pastides Alumni Center

and By Microsoft Teams

August 22, 2025

OPEN SESSION

I. Call to Order

Chair Sherard called the meeting to order at 10:53 a.m. Interim Secretary Bradley confirmed Trustees attending in person and by Microsoft Teams audio and video conference.

Committee Members in attendance:

Reid T. Sherard, Chair

C. Dan Adams

W. Michael Bond

Brian C. Harlan

Leah B. Moody

C. Dorn Smith III

Ellen E. Weaver

Charles H. Williams

Thad H. Westbrook, *Board Chair*

Rose Buyck Newton, *Board Vice Chair*

Other Trustees in attendance:

Coleman F. Buckhouse (online)

Alex English

Henry L. Jolly Jr.

Richard A. Jones Jr.

Hubert F. Mobley

Emma W. Morris

John C. von Lehe Jr. (online)

Others in attendance:

Courtney Tkacs, USC Columbia Student Government President

Liam Hein, USC Columbia Faculty Senate Chair

Robin Roberts, Advisor to the Advancement, Engagement and Communications Committee

David Seaton, Advisor to the Governance Committee (online)

Administrators in attendance:

Michael Amiridis, President

Stacey Bradley, Interim University Secretary and Secretary of the Board of Trustees

Mary Anne Fitzpatrick, Interim Executive Vice President and Provost

Terry Parham, General Counsel

Ed Walton, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Media in attendance:

Colin Elam, the *Daily Gamecock*

Ian Grenier, the *Post and Courier*

Alexa Jurado, the *State*

Notice:

Chair Sherard 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 Sherard stated there was a need for an Executive Session for discussion of confidential trade secrets related to marketing studies and governmental relations.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

– Executive Session Removed

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

II. Development Update

Vice President for Development Michelle Dodenhoff provided a Development update. The update was received as information.

III. Alumni Association Update

An Alumni Association report was circulated for review in advance of the meeting. The update was received as information.

IV. State Government Relations Update

A state government relations report was circulated for review in advance of the meeting. The update was received as information.

V. Federal Government Relations Update

A federal government relations report was circulated for review in advance of the meeting. The update was received as information.

VI. Other Matters

Chair Sherard called for any other matters to come before the Committee. There were none.

VII. Adjournment

Chair Sherard declared the meeting adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacey Bradley
Interim Secretary