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University of South Carolina  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Board of Trustees – Called  
In Person, Floyd Boardroom, Pastides Alumni Center  
and By Microsoft Teams  
August 22, 2025

OPEN SESSION

I. Call to Order

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

Members in attendance:

Thad H. Westbrook, *Board Chair*  
Rose Buyck Newton, *Board Vice Chair*  
W. Michael Bond  
Coleman Floyd Buckhouse (online)  
Alex English  
Brian C. Harlan  
Henry L. Jolly, Jr.  
Richard A. Jones Jr.  
Hubert F. Mobley  
Leah B. Moody  
Emma W. Morris  
Reid T. Sherard  
C. Dorn Smith III  
John C. von Lehe Jr. (online)  
Ellen Weaver  
Charles Williams

Members absent:

C. Dan Adams

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 Communication 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 for Academic Affairs and Provost

Terry Parham, General Counsel

Ed Walton, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Media in attendance:

Jackson Castellano, the *State*

David Cloninger, the *Post & Courier*

Colin Elam, the *Daily Gamecock*

Ian Grenier, the *Post & Courier*

Alexa Jurado, the *State*

Jordan Kaye, the *State*

Lulu Kesin, the *Greenville News*

Dwayne McLemore, the *State*

Kevin Miller, GamecockCentral.com

Michael Sauls, the *State*

Jack Veltri, GamecockCentral.com

John Whittle, the BigSpur.com

Notice:

Chair Westbrook 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 Board; and a quorum was present to conduct business.

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Westbrook stated there was a need for an Executive Session for the receipt of legal advice related to the proposed contractual matters listed on the public agenda, for the discussion of an interim Provost, and for the discussion of matters related to IT security.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

– Executive Session Removed

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

II. Approval of Minutes

The following sets of minutes were circulated for review in advance of the meeting.

A. Academic Excellence and Student Experience Committee – June 20, 2025

B. Audit, Compliance and Risk Committee – June 20, 2025

- C. Board of Trustees – June 20, 2025
- D. Finance and Infrastructure Committee – June 20, 2025
- E. Governance Committee – June 20, 2025

Mr. Mobley made a motion to approve the minutes as circulated. Mr. Sherard seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

### III. Approval of Contracts and Agreements

General Counsel Terry Parham presented the following contracts for approval.

#### A. Office of University Registrar: Leepfrog Technologies, Inc.

Dr. Smith made a motion to approve the University Registrar's agreement with Leepfrog Technologies as presented. Ms. Newton seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

#### B. Athletic Department Employment Agreement: Wesley Mallette, Deputy Athletics Director

Dr. Smith made a motion to approve the employment agreement with Wesley Mallette as presented. Mr. Mobley seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

#### C. Athletics Department Official Apparel Agreement – Nike USC, Inc.

Dr. Smith made a motion to approve the Athletic Department's term sheet with Nike USA Inc. subject to mutually executing the long form contract as presented. Mr. Mobley seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

### IV. Adjournment

Chair Westbrook declared the meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacey Bradley  
Interim Secretary