

(Approved at March 20, 2020 Special Board of Trustees Meeting)

**COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON
UNIVERSITY OF CHARLESTON, SC**

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Randolph Hall Boardroom¹

February 10, 2020
2:00 p.m.

Presiding:
David Hay, Chair

Board Members Present: Trustee David Hay (Chair)

Board Members Participating by Conference Call: Trustees Chuck Baker, Laurin Burch, Beth Burke, Demetria Clemons (Vice Chair), Cherry Daniel, Hank Futch, Henrietta Golding, Shawn Holland, Renee Romberger, Penny Rosner, Brian Stern, Steve Swanson, Tav Swarat, Craig Thornton, Ricci Welch, and John Wood

Board Members Absent: Trustees John Busch, Randy Lowell and Toya Pound

Others Present: Andrew Hsu (President), Michaela Abbott (*Staff Assistant*), Mark Berry (*Deputy Chief of Staff*), Betty Craig (*Executive Assistant*), John Curtis (*IT Support*), Shirley Hinson (Director, Government Relations), Elizabeth Kassebaum (*Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees/VP, College Projects*), Ron Menchaca (*VP, Communications*), Angela Mulholland (*General Counsel*) and Paul Patrick (*Chief of Staff*)

Special Guests Participating by Conference Call: Lobbyists: Boyd Brown, Jim Merrill, Michael Thompson and Warren Tompkins

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:

Chair Hay called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. noting that the press had been notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

Before going into Executive Session, Chair Hay announced that Judge Richard Gergel, Kathleen Parker and Bernie Powers have agreed to serve as May Commencement Speakers. We are planning for Judge Gergel to speak at Friday's ceremony, Kathleen Parker at Saturday's a.m. ceremony and Bernie Powers at Saturday's p.m. ceremony.

¹In accordance with requirements of the *S. C. Freedom of Information Act*, news media was notified of the time, location, and agenda for this meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The motion was made by Trustee Cherry Daniel, and seconded by Trustee Craig Thornton, to resolve the Board into Executive Session for discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed purchase/lease of property. All in favor.

Trustees Chuck Baker, Beth Burke, Laurin Burch, Demetria Clemons (Vice Chair), Cherry Daniel, Hank Futch, Henrietta Golding, Shawn Holland, Renée Romberger, Penny Rosner, Brian Stern, Steve Swanson, Tav Swarat, Craig Thornton, Ricci Welch, and John Wood participated by conference call.

Only the Board Members, President Hsu, Mark Berry, Shirley Hinson, Elizabeth Kassebaum, Ron Menchaca, Angela Mulholland and Paul Patrick remained for Executive Session. Lobbyists Boyd Brown, Jim Merrill, Michael Thompson and Warren Tompkins joined the conference call.

Chair Hay asked all conference call participants to acknowledge that they were on a phone line not being recorded and in a private venue and alone while on the call. All responded affirmatively.

[Everyone not requested to attend Executive Session left the Boardroom.]

The motion was made by Trustee Craig Thornton, and seconded by Trustee Shawn Holland, to come out of Executive Session. All in favor.

[Regular session resumed.]

Chair Hay noted for the record that no action was taken during Executive Session.

The motion was made by Trustee Renée Romberger, and seconded by Trustee John Wood, to adjourn the meeting at 3:04 p.m. All in favor.