

(Approved at January 18-19, 2024 Board of Trustees Meetings)

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

DAGER Committee Special Meeting
Board of Trustees Special Meeting
Randolph Hall Boardroom/Zoom Video Conference
October 31, 2023
9:00 a.m.

Presiding:

Renée Romberger, Chair, Board of Trustees

Board Members Participating in person – Trustees Renée Romberger (chair), Beth Burke and Steve Swanson (vice chair)

Board Members Participating via Zoom Video Conference – Trustees Laurin Burch, Demetria Clemons, Hank Futch, Andy Gianoukos, Henrietta Golding, David Hay, Shawn Holland, Toya Pound, Penny Rosner, Brian Stern, Tav Swarat, Craig Thornton, Ricci Welch and Neysa Williams

Board Members Absent: Trustees John Busch and John Wood

Other Attendees Participating in person – Chuck Baker, Mark Berry, Joh-nette Brown, Betty Craig, Dan Frezza, Elizabeth Kassebaum, John Loonan and Paul Patrick

Other Attendees Participating via Zoom Video Conference – Alicia Caudill, Ron Menchaca and Ashleigh Parr

WELCOME

Chair Romberger welcomed everyone to the special meetings of the Development, Alumni, Governmental and External Relations Committee (DAGER) and the full Board of Trustees and handed the floor over to DAGER Chair, Trustee Beth Burke.

DEVELOPMENT, ALUMNI AND GOVERNMENTAL & EXTERNAL RELATIONS (DAGER) COMMITTEE MEETING

Committee Member(s): Trustees Beth Burke (chair), John Wood (vice chair), Laurin Burch, John Busch, Hank Futch, Henrietta Golding, Renée Romberger, Penny Rosner, Brian Stern, Steve Swanson and Tav Swarat

DAGER Chair Burke called this special meeting of the DAGER Committee to order at 9:00 a.m. noting that the meeting notice has been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

She welcomed the members of the DAGER Committee joining her for the meeting today – Trustees Laurin Burch, Hank Futch, Henrietta Golding, Renée Romberger, Penny Rosner, Brian Stern, Steve Swanson, Tav Swarat and David Hay (*ex officio, voting*). Trustees John Bush and John Wood were absent.

Executive Session

The motion was made by Trustee Steve Swanson, and seconded by Trustee Penny Rosner, to go into Executive Session at 9:01 a.m. for the purpose of “Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed purchase/lease of property.” All in favor.

(Only the Board Members, President Hsu, Chuck Baker, Mark Berry, Alicia Caudill, Betty Craig, Dan Frezza, Elizabeth Kassebaum, John Loonan, Ron Menchaca and Paul Patrick remained for Executive Session.)

The motion was made by Trustee Steve Swanson, and seconded by Trustee Henrietta Golding, to come out of Executive Session at 9:23 a.m. and resume regular session. All in favor.

DAGER Chair Burke noted that no action was taken in Executive Session.

The motion was made by Trustee Henrietta Golding, and seconded by Trustee Penny Rosner, that the four historical interpretative signs – Civil War Monument, 9 College Way, 63 ½ Coming Street and 14 Green Way – be approved as presented. The Chair called for the yeas and nays, and the motion was adopted.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

The motion was made by Trustee Steve Swanson, and seconded by Trustee Henrietta Golding, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:24 a.m. All in favor.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING

Chair Romberger called this special meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 9:25 a.m. noting that the meeting notice has been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

Four Historical Interpretative Signs

Chair Romberger noted that the Development, Alumni, Governmental and External Relations Committee (DAGER) just met and approved four historical interpretative signs – Civil War Monument, 9 College Way, 63 ½ Coming Street and 14 Green Way.

The Development, Alumni, Governmental and External Relations Committee (DAGER) moves that the four historical interpretative signs be approved as presented. No second needed. The Chair called for the yeas and nays, and the motion was adopted.

Update Regarding Lease of Private Residential Beds

Paul Patrick provided a brief update regarding the Administration’s efforts to lease private residential beds for College of Charleston students.

Never before has the Board of Trustees been asked to approve the College’s proposed lease for additional residential beds, but the S.C. Department of Administration has informed us that we need formal BOT action. The College is negotiating a three-year lease with Hilton Smith of the East Bay Company for 101 private beds at 60 Vanderhorst Street. This is critical for the Fall 2024 class.

Chair Romberger called for a motion to support the Administration’s efforts to lease private residential beds for College of Charleston of Charleston students.

Trustee Laurin Burch made the motion, seconded by Trustee Steve Swanson, that “The Board of Trustees supports the Administration’s efforts to lease private residential beds for College of Charleston students. The student housing rate and funding for this lease are approved annually as part of the annual operating budget for Residential Life/Housing Auxiliaries adopted in June.” The Chair called for the yeas and nays, and the motion was adopted.

Adjourn

Trustee Steve Swanson made the motion, seconded by Trustee Beth Burke, to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 a.m. The Chair called for the yeas and nays, and the motion was adopted.