

(Approved at April 11-12, 2024 Board of Trustees Meetings)

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

Board of Trustees Special Meeting
Randolph Hall Boardroom/Zoom Video Conference
March 18, 2024
3:30 p.m.

Presiding:

Renée Romberger, Chair, Board of Trustees

Board Members in Person – Trustee David Hay

Board Members Participating via Zoom Video Conference – Trustees Renée Romberger (chair), Laurin Burch, Beth Burke, John Busch, Demetria Clemons, Hank Futch, Andy Gianoukos, Henrietta Golding, Shawn Holland, Toya Pound, Penny Rosner, Brian Stern, Craig Thornton, Ricci Welch, Neysa Williams and John Wood

Board Members Absent – Trustees Steve Swanson and Tav Swarat

President’s Cabinet Participating in Person – President Hsu, Chuck Baker, Mark Berry, John Loonan and Paul Patrick

President’s Cabinet Participating via Zoom Video Conference – Dan Frezza

Other Attendees in Person – Joh-nette Brown, Betty Craig and Elizabeth Kassebaum

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Romberger called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m. noting that the meeting notice has been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The motion was made by Trustee Ricci Welch, and seconded by Trustee Laurin Burch, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of “Receipt of legal advice where the legal advice relates to a pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege; and “Personnel matters – legal matters covered by attorney-client privilege.”

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

The motion was made by Trustee Henrietta Golding, and seconded by Trustee Ricci Welch, to come out of Executive Session and resume regular session at 4:00 p.m. All in favor.

Chair Romberger noted that no action was taken in Executive Session.

MOTION REGARDING CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR MATT ROBERTS

Chair Romberger called for a motion to approve Matt Roberts’ contract extension.

The motion was made by Trustee David Hay, and seconded by Trustee John Wood, that the Board of Trustees approve a contract extension for the Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, Matt Roberts. The summary points of the extension are as follows:

- **Term extension to June 30, 2028.**
- **New base compensation will be \$325,000/year with the increase over current base compensation to be funded by private philanthropy.**
- **Retain existing bonus structure, adding a \$20,000/year bonus for achievement of certain budgetary benchmarks as established by the President.**
- **The College and Mr. Roberts will work to incorporate these changes into a formal contract.**

Following the motion, Chair Romberger asked if there's any discussion. Hearing none, the Chair called for the yeas and nays, and the motion was approved.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

The motion was made by Trustee Beth Burke, and seconded by Trustee Andy Gianoukos, that the meeting be adjourned at 4:03 p.m. All in favor.