

Minutes
Coastal Carolina University
Board of Trustees

Government Affairs Committee
E. Craig Wall Jr. Board Room
February 18, 2016

Committee Members Present: Mr. Samuel H. Frink, Ms. Natasha M. Hanna Mr. Marion B. Lee, Mr. William L. Lyles Jr., and Mr. George E. Mullen

Committee Member Not Present: Mr. Daniel W. R. Moore Sr.

Other Board Members Present: Mr. Fred F. DuBard III, Mr. Carlos C. Johnson, Mr. Charles E. Lewis, Dr. Oran P. Smith, Mr. H. Delan Stevens, and Mr. William E. Turner III

Others Present: Dr. Brian Bunton, Dr. J. Ralph Byington, Ms. Nedy Campbell, Mr. Josh Chesson, Dr. David A. DeCenzo, Ms. Martha S. Hunn, Mr. Timothy E. Meacham, Ms. Jennifer Packard, Mr. William M. Plate Jr., Dr. Sherer W. Royce, Ms. V. Chyrel Stalvey, and Ms. Kathy T. Watts

(In accordance with the requirements of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, the news media were notified of the time, location, and agenda for the meeting. Claire Byun of The Sun News was in attendance.)

Chairman Larry Lyles brought the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.

Lyles moved to approve the October 1, 2015, Government Affairs Committee minutes. Marion Lee seconded, and the motion carried.

President David DeCenzo reported that next year's budget presentation was made to the House of Representatives a few weeks ago. He asked for more positions to hire faculty to accommodate the University's growth. The presentation was only half as long as last year but received well. The Senate presentation will be sometime in March.

Provost and Executive Vice President Ralph Byington reported for Dean Michael Roberts that a \$350,000 NSF grant has been applied for to purchase a 400 MHz Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectrometer (NMR) to be used in biochemistry and chemistry.

In order for Coastal Carolina to better serve the Georgetown area, a Fifth T Innovation Group been established. The intent is for local entrepreneurs who are creating new business ventures to receive support from the Innovation Center. It is uncertain when the office will be opened because of the recent flooding.

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As there was no further business, Marion Lee moved to adjourn and Sam Frink seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Chyrel Stalvey
Recorder