

FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY

MINUTES, SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

FSU BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chancellor's Office, C. J. Barber Administration Building
and via teleconference
Monday, January 13, 2020
9:00 a.m.

A Special Called Meeting of the Fayetteville State University Board of Trustees was held Monday, January 13, 2020, at 9:02 a.m. telephonically and from the Chancellor's Conference Room in the Barber Building. Chairman Stuart Augustine presided.

ROLL CALL

The following Trustees were in attendance: Ms. Val Applewhite, Mr. Stuart Augustine, Mr. Jonathan Charleston, Dr. Warren McDonald, Mr. John McFadyen, Mrs. Sherida McMullan, and Ms. Brenda Timberlake. Others in attendance were: Interim Chancellor Peggy Valentine, Vice Chancellor and Chief of Staff Wendell Phillips, Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance Carlton Spellman, Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities Management Jon Parsons, General Counsel Wanda Jenkins, and Mr. Jeffrey Womble.

Before proceeding into the main portion of the meeting, Chairman Augustine read the State Government Ethics Act to remind all members of the Committee of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict under this Act.

Chairman Augustine relinquished the floor to VC Spellman.

Vice Chancellor Spellman shared that in 2016, FSU received project authority of \$10 million as part of the Connect NC bond referendum for renovations to the Lyons Science building. In 2018, an additional \$1 million in project authority was approved by the FSU Board of Trustees and UNC Board of Governors. Due to increases in construction costs, there's need for an additional authorization of \$1 million for a total of \$12 million.

Vice Chancellor Spellman stated that they've identified additional monies, however, they will have to reallocate some of the projects that were scheduled to be funded.

Trustee Warren McDonald asked when did the project began. Mr. Spellman stated that the project was awarded in 2016 and went through several design phases. At present, preparing for open bidding, which should begin at the end of

this month. Although funding was approved in 2016, funding doesn't usually come until six months later. As of today, the university is still waiting for the budget to be passed to gain funds already due us.

Trustee Jonathan Charleston indicated that we be mindful that when we award contracts that we do business within our market.

Trustee Charleston made a motion to approve the Lyons Science Comprehensive Renovation project authority to be increased from \$11 million to \$12 million, with final approval by the UNC Board of Governors (BoG). Trustee McDonald second the motion.

Trustee Val Applewhite asked about the impact the reallocation of \$1 million has on the projects that the money was initially slated for. VC Spellman stated that window and roof repairs, interior work and floors might be affected. However, they would consider the lowest priority item (if it isn't an immediate detriment to safety etc.).

Trustee Charleston asked if the UNC Board of Governors was already aware of this request. Vice Chancellor Spellman stated that the BoG already had the paperwork and that he was waiting the approval of the FSU Board of Trustees.

Trustee Applewhite wanted to know what we could do to overcome cost overruns. Vice Chancellor Spellman stated that due to increase costs of construction and the length of time that we receive funding, the requests for additional funding will likely happen again.

As there was no more discussion, Chairman asked for a vote in wake of the motions. *The motion carried.*

The meeting was adjourned at 9:19 a.m.

Suzetta M. Perkins, *Recorder*

Trustee Brenda Timberlake, *Secretary*