The Fayetteville State University Board of Trustees convened on Thursday, September 22, 2016 at 1:32 p.m. in the J. C. Jones Board Room in the Charles Chesnutt Library. Chairman Donald Porter presided. Trustee Elliot O. Jackson delivered the invocation.

ROLL CALL

The following trustees were in attendance: Richard C. Adams, Claude Bogues, Edward Dickerson, Jodie Ervin, Elliot Jackson, Vedas Neal, Inder Nijhawan, Donald Porter and Brenda Timberlake. Trustees Rajan Shamdasani and Kirk deViere were not in attendance.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Vedas Neal and properly second by Trustee Inder Nijhawan that the minutes of the Board meeting held June 9, 2016, be accepted as printed. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Audit Committee – Trustee Claude Bogues, Chair

Chairman Bogues asked the Board to approve the Internal Audit Office Charter. Trustee Jackson made a motion to approve the Charter. Trustee Neal seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Business and Finance – Trustee Donald Porter, Acting Chair

Acting Chairman Donald Porter asked the Board to approve the selected corporation, Szostak Design, to provide design/architectural and engineering services for the Lyons Science Building Comprehensive Renovation. He asked the Board to authorize the university staff to negotiate a contract and fee with Szostak Design. It was moved by Trustee Inder Nijhawan and properly seconded by Trustee Claude Bogues. The motion carried.
Acting Chairman Donald Porter asked the Board to approve the selected firm, Hanson Professional Services, Inc., to provide commissioning services for the Lyons Science Building Comprehensive Renovation. He asked the Board to also authorize the university staff to negotiate a contract and fee with Hanson Professional Services, Inc. It was moved by Trustee Claude Bogues and properly seconded by Trustee Jodie Ervin. The motion carried.

Lastly, Acting Chairman Donald Porter asked the Board to approve the selected firm, Metcon, Inc., to provide CMR services for the Lyons Science Building Comprehensive Renovation. He asked the Board to also authorize the university staff to negotiate a contract and fee with Metcon. Further, it was recommended that should negotiations with the first choice CMR firm fail, that the Board authorize university staff to negotiate a contract and fee with the 2nd choice. It was moved by Trustee Claude Bogues and properly seconded by Trustee Inder Nijhawan. The motion carried.

STUDENT REPORT

Trustee Elliot O. Jackson provided an update of Student Government Association (SGA) activities.

Trustee Jackson was accepted at the University of Minnesota for an Internship with focus on genetics.

Trustee Elliot provided a list of events planned by the SGA during the months of September and November.

9/22 – BPAH Academy Relief
9/23 – Educate students about voting
9/24 – Residents Life – travel to all dorms
9/25 – Rock the vote (opportunity to register students to vote). The SGA registered 125 students. The Pre-Law Society worked in tandem with the SGA.
9/25 – Water Olympics (Promoting fun that includes volleyball and water balloons)
10/1 – Party to the Poll
10/8 – March on Murchison...to the polls

Trustee Elliot stated that the SGA has bi-weekly open Senate meetings. Some recent concerns have been 1) the return of the Pan-Hellenic Council plots; 2) the quality of food/presentation by Aramark; 3) lighting on campus—SGA working with Chief Kimble on campus safety and lighting; 4) parking lots being congested;
and 5) air conditioning in the residence halls—working with Greg Moyd to resolve issue.

During SGA week, voter pledge cards were handed out to emphasize voter registration. The level of participation included 200+ students.

Other engagements include a rally to keep Smith Recreation Center as a site for early voting. Trustee Elliot says that he wrote plenty of letters to support this effort. He also applied for a campus engagement mini grant in the amount of $500. The SGA will utilize the money to have a party at the polls.

The SGA took part in the campus cleanup, which was a success. As well, the SGA has initiated a Giving Campaign entitled Project 1867. The goal is to raise $1,867.00 and use it to help students (in the amount of $250 stipends) who may need assistance with funds—“Fill in the Gap.”

Trustee Inder Nijhawan praised the SGA for what they are doing, especially in the area of getting students registered to vote.

CHAIRMAN’S REMARKS

Chairman Porter pointed out the importance of shared governance as we go forward. He received a lot of good information on shared governance at the AGB forum in Washington, D.C. that he attended earlier in the year. He also commended Trustee and SGA President Elliot Jackson for his due diligence in his charge to get students registered to vote.

With humbleness, Chairman Porter stated that it would be his last meeting as Chairman of the Board. It was an honor and a pleasure to serve and thanked everyone who supported his chairmanship. He gave a special thank-you to Chancellor Anderson—for his support, respect and admiration of the military. A special thank you went to Dr. Jon Young for continuing to give the Board homework assignments that were so helpful. It was noted that there are still two vacancies on the Board that have yet to be filled. We hope to hear something soon on the vacancies.

One regret that the Chairman had was that the Board retreat was not held. However, he recommended that we use Dr. Bell Whalen from SACS to facilitate a future retreat. Also, a Town Hall Meeting in Fayetteville to bring the Board, Foundation Board and the community together is a must.

While Chairman Porter is stepping down as Chair of the Board, he’s stepping up as Chair of the Capital Campaign. He states that we will make the goal, especially with the new Institutional Advancement team we now have in place.
Every four years, there is a Chancellor’s Evaluation. The Board will utilize a consulting firm to handle it. Trustees Timberlake, Nijhawan, Ervin, and Porter form the evaluation team.

CHANCELLOR’S REPORT

Chancellor Anderson began by sharing recent meetings with the CIAA in regards to the CIAA conference pulling out of Charlotte due to the recent controversy regarding HB2 and the recent shooting in Charlotte of an African-American male. In light of the NBA All-Star game and the ACC championships pulling out of Charlotte, there was a question in the air as to whether or not the CIAA would be moving the basketball tournament from Charlotte. Pulling out of Charlotte would be very costly to the CIAA and the universities that comprise the CIAA. To move would mean the loss of significant revenue—loss of scholarship revenue for our student and student athletes, as well as contractual obligations that were already in process. The CIAA could lose approximately $2.7 million in guaranteed revenue per contractual agreement with Charlotte and per contractual arrangements associated with hosting our championships. Total loss to the conference will be approximately $12 million over four years. Chancellor Anderson is participating on a conference call at 4 p.m. today, and a final decision will be made by the commissioners as to whether to move the CIAA basketball tournament.

On tomorrow, Chancellor Anderson will travel to NC State in Raleigh with several of our faculty members to participate in a presentation on how to take an invention to market. Drs. Darusla Ilya, Carlo Padilla, and Shirley Chao recently presented products they’ve invented and have or either are receiving patents; therefore, the presentation is to benefit their next steps in getting their product to market.

The E. E. Smith house, which is currently downtown, is a historical landmark but was considered for raising due to maintenance cost. In a conversation with Mayor Nat Robertson, Chancellor Anderson has talked the city into letting FSU have the house and move it behind the football field. The move will be at no cost to the university. FSU will have to pick up the ancillary costs associated with the move.

Sesquicentennial Challenges in Funding

1. A new entryway is being planned on campus. Seventy per cent of the cost will be borne by the departments.
2. Costs Associated with Title IX Violations.
3. Major Speakers/Entertainers (Minimum $100,000)
4. Upgrades for Department of Communications and Athletic Department.

5. Move E. E. Smith House from Downtown to Campus (city will provide initial move at no expense. FSU picks up ancillary costs).

Chancellor Anderson informed the Board of three major events happening the weekend of November 4 – 5, 2016. They are as follows:

1. Football game on November 5th, FSU vs Winston-Salem State University
2. The Cotton Club II (main focus is on selling sponsorship tables)
3. The Performing and Fine Arts Department is hosting a 16th NAAHBCU and NCA National Conference

The Business Center lot on Murchison Road is getting ready to be listed for sale.

President Margaret Spellings and The Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina system are in the process of developing a strategic plan that will guide decision making in the years ahead. Chancellor Anderson, who sits on the Strategic Planning Committee, stated that Chancellors and Board members will be asked to assist in developing the strategic plan that will focus on the following themes: access, student success, affordability and efficiency, excellence in diverse institutions, and economic and community input. Also a survey module will be sent to the universities and request students, faculty, and staff to complete. FSU will host forums in mid-October and November.

CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Jodie Ervin made a motion to go into closed session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143-318.11(a)(6). The motion was seconded and carried.

OPEN SESSION

The Board of Trustees reconvened in open session.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Trustee Brenda Timberlake, Chair of the Nominating Committee, presented the nominees for the following offices as follows:

Mr. Jodie Ervin – Chair
Mrs. Vedas Neal – Vice Chair
Mr. Claude Bogues – Secretary
Chairman Porter asked if there were any nominations from the floor. As there were none, Chairman Porter asked for a motion. Trustee Vedas Neal made a motion to accept the nomination as given by the Nominating Committee. Trustee Claude Bogues seconded the motion. *The motion carried.*

Newly appointed Chairman, Mr. Jodie Ervin, thanked the Committee for their vote of confidence and accepted the position. He stated that he looked forward to working with the Executive Officers and the Board.

**ADJORNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jodie Ervin, Secretary
Suzetta Perkins, Recorder