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University of South Carolina
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Finance and Infrastructure Committee - Called

December 9, 2021

The Finance and Infrastructure Committee of the University of South Carolina Board of Trustees convened in a called meeting at 10:15 a.m. on Thursday, December 9, 2021 by Microsoft Teams video conference hosted from Room 206B of the Osborne Administration Building.

Committee members participating by Microsoft Teams were Mr. Mack I. Whittle Jr., Chair; Mr. C. Dan Adams; Mr. Alex English; Dr. C. Edward Floyd; Mr. Toney J. Lister; Ms. Rose Buyck Newton; Mr. Charles H. Williams; Dr. C. Dorn Smith III, Board Chair; and Mr. Thad H. Westbrook, Board Vice Chair. Mr. J. Egerton Burroughs was absent.

Other Board members participating by Microsoft Teams were Mr. Brian C. Harlan, Mr. Richard A. Jones Jr., Mr. Hubert F. Mobley, Ms. Emma W. Morris, Mr. Robin D. Roberts, Mr. John C. von Lehe Jr., and Mr. Eugene P. Warr Jr.

Others in attendance were Interim President Harris Pastides; Secretary Cameron Howell; University Architect and Associate Vice President for Facilities, Design and Construction Derek Gruner; General Counsel and Executive Director of Compliance Programs Terry Parham; University Treasurer and Associate Vice President and Chief of Staff for the Division of Administration and Finance Joe Sobieralski; Assistant Vice President, Media and External Engagement Jeff Stensland; Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer Ed Walton; IT Production Manager Matt Warthen; and Board of Trustees support staff Cary Graham.

OPEN SESSION

I. Call to Order

Chair Whittle called the meeting to order, welcomed those in attendance, and asked everyone in the room to introduce themselves. Secretary Howell confirmed Trustees joining by Microsoft Teams. Chair Whittle called on Mr. Stensland to introduce members of the press. Mr. Stensland stated Lucas Daprile with the *State* and Jessica Holdman with the *Post & Courier* were on the audio call.

Chair Whittle stated notice of the meeting had been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act; the agenda and supporting materials had been circulated; and a quorum was present to conduct business.

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Whittle stated there was a need for an Executive Session to discuss legal advice regarding a gift agreement and a matter covered by attorney-client privilege. Dr. Smith made the motion to enter Executive Session, and Mr. Adams seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

Chair Whittle stated no action would be taken in Executive Session and invited the following to remain: Trustees, Interim President Pastides, Secretary Howell, Mr. Parham, Mr. Gruner, Mr. Sobieralski, Mr. Walton, Mr. Warthen, and Ms. Graham. Chair Whittle asked those not invited to stay to please exit.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

– Executive Session Removed

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

II. Project Approvals

Chair Whittle called on University Architect and Associate Vice President of Facilities Planning, Design and Construction Derek Gruner to present project approvals.

A. Intramural Recreation Fields Site Development

Mr. Gruner presented a project to create outdoor intramural recreation fields on a 300-acre site at the west end of National Guard Road adjacent to the Congaree River. The parcel of land proposed was acquired by the University from the Development Foundation. The land will allow for the development of soccer, multi-use, and softball recreation fields in stages as funding becomes available. The 2018 Master Plan identifies a current shortfall of 10 outdoor recreation fields and projects a shortfall of 12 outdoor recreation fields by 2025. The project budget is \$4,850,000, of which the majority of costs will be funded with wellness fee reserves. Operating funds from Athletics will cover one half of the cost to pave and light the shared access road and all expenses associated with any potential minor improvements dedicated to Athletics such as fencing or lighting. The amount of Athletics operating funds will be determined from the cost of specific items identified by the successful bidder of the construction contract. The final allocation of wellness fee reserves and Athletics operating funds will be reported to the Board in the future.

Chair Whittle called for a motion to recommend full Board approval of the intramural recreation fields site development as presented and posted to the Board portal. Dr. Smith made the motion, and Mr. Adams seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

Chair Whittle stated this item would be included on the Finance and Infrastructure Committee's written consent agenda for consideration by the full Board at the next scheduled meeting.

B. War Memorial Roof Replacement

Mr. Gruner presented a project to fund the replacement of the roof and underlying substrate at the historic War Memorial building. The roof is beyond its service life, and water intrusion is a threat to the interior finishes and environmental control within the building. The project is budgeted at \$375,000, to be funded with institutional capital project funds.

Chair Whittle called for a motion to recommend full Board approval of the War Memorial building roof replacement as presented and posted to the Board portal. Ms. Newton made the motion, and Mr. English seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

Chair Whittle stated this item would be included on the Finance and Infrastructure Committee's written consent agenda for consideration by the full Board at the next scheduled meeting.

III. Adjournment

There being no other matters to be considered by the Committee, Chair Whittle declared the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cameron Howell
Secretary