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University of South Carolina  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Board of Trustees – Called  
In Person Floyd Boardroom, Pastides Alumni Center  
and By Microsoft Teams  
November 17, 2023

OPEN SESSION

I. Call to Order

Chair Westbrook called the meeting to order at 1:43 p.m. Secretary Howell confirmed Trustees attending in person and by Microsoft Teams audio and video conference.

Members in attendance:

Thad H. Westbrook, *Board Chair*  
Rose Buyck Newton, *Board Vice Chair*  
C. Dan Adams  
Alex English  
C. Edward Floyd (online)  
Brian C. Harlan  
Henry L. Jolly Jr. (online)  
Richard A. Jones Jr.  
Miles Loadholt (online)  
Hubert F. Mobley  
E. Scott Moise  
Leah B. Moody  
Emma W. Morris  
Reid T. Sherard  
C. Dorn Smith III  
John C. von Lehe Jr. (online)  
Charles H. Williams

Members absent:

Ellen Weaver

Others in attendance:

Wayne Outten, USC Columbia Faculty Senate Chair  
Emmie Thompson, USC Columbia Student Government President  
Robin Roberts, Advisor to the Advancement, Engagement and Communications Committee  
David Seaton, Advisor to the Governance Committee

Administrators in attendance:

Michael Amiridis, President  
Cameron Howell, University Secretary and Secretary of the Board of Trustees  
Donna Arnett, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost  
Terry Parham, General Counsel  
Ed Walton, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Media in attendance:

Riley Edenback, the *Daily Gamecock*

Notice:

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

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Westbrook stated there was a need for an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters related to an appointment to the Board of Visitors.

Mr. Sherard made the motion to enter Executive Session. Mr. Mobley seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

Chair Westbrook invited the following to remain: Trustees, Dr. Outten, Ms. Thompson, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Seaton, President Amiridis, Secretary Howell, Chancellors, the President's Executive Council, and Board support staff.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

– Executive Session Removed

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

II. Approval of Minutes

The following sets of minutes were listed on the agenda and posted to the Board portal:

- A. Academic Excellence and Student Experience Committee – August 18, 2023
- B. Academic Excellence and Student Experience Committee (Called) – October 13, 2023

- C. Academic Excellence and Student Experience Committee (Called) – November 10, 2023
- D. Audit, Compliance and Risk Committee – October 13, 2023
- E. Board of Trustees – August 18, 2023
- F. Board of Trustees – October 13, 2023
- G. Board of Trustees (Called) – November 10, 2023
- H. Finance and Infrastructure Committee – June 9, 2023
- I. Finance and Infrastructure Committee – September 15, 2023
- J. Finance and Infrastructure Committee – October 13, 2023
- K. Governance Committee – August 18, 2023
- L. Governance Committee (Called) – September 15, 2023
- M. Governance Committee – October 13, 2023

Dr. Smith made a motion to adopt the minutes as posted, and Mr. Adams seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was approved.

### III. Election to the Board of Visitors

Chair Westbrook stated the USC Columbia Faculty Senate nominated Dr. Audrey Korsgaard to fill the faculty representative position on the Board of Visitors for a three-year term effective September 1, 2023.

Mr. Adams made a motion to approve the nomination of Dr. Audry Korsgaard. Dr. Smith seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the candidate was approved.

### MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Westbrook stated there was a need for an Executive Session for discussion of the President's compensation and for receipt of legal advice regarding a pending claim, a potential claim, state statute, a matter covered by the attorney-client privilege, and the development of security personnel.

Chair Westbrook stated no action would take place in Executive Session and once Open Session resumed, the Board would adjourn immediately. No other agenda items remained for discussion in Open Session.

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 Westbrook invited the following to remain: Trustees, Dr. Outten, Mr. Roberts, Ms. Thompson, Mr. Seaton, President Amiridis, Secretary Howell, Ms. Agardy, Mr. Parham, Mr. Tanner, and Mr. Walton.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

– Executive Session Removed

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

IV. Adjournment

Chair Westbrook declared the meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cameron Howell  
Secretary