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**Board of Trustees Special Meeting
September 17, 2021**

**Minutes
Coastal Carolina University
Board of Trustees- Special Meeting
Teleconference
September 17, 2021**

Presiding: Vice Chair Natasha Hanna

Board Members Present: John Bartell, Lee Belcher, William Biggs, Lisa Davis, Dalton Floyd, Joe Jarrett, Sherry Johnson, Mark Kelley, George Mullen, Bradley Poston, Jason Repak, Patrick Sparks, Gene Spivey, William Turner

Board Members Not Present: Oran Smith, Delan Stevens

Others Present: Michael Benson, Daniel Ennis, David Frost, Martha Hunn, Carlos Johnson, Carissa Medeiros, Travis Overton

(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. Steve Ross, WBTW; Emanuel Martinez, WBTW; Rob Blomquist, WMBF; Katie Powell, MyHorryNews; Mary Norkol, The Sun News; Amanda Kinseth, WPDE; Derek Harrison, WMBF; Heather Gayle, WPDE were in attendance on the call.)

Chair Natasha Hanna called the Board meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. Roll call was taken by, Travis Overton, Chief of Staff.

Chair Hanna provided an overview of the last decision and presented three options for review at this four-week timeframe a) maintain the current decision, b) become more restrictive by increasing the mandate to include outdoors, or c) lessen the mask mandate.

Provost Dan Ennis provided an update on online instruction and noted that our online courses are comparable to the online offerings of Fall 2019.

Patrick Sparks moved to go into Executive Session to review the legal ramifications of the mask mandate decision. Bill Biggs seconded, and the motion carried.

Upon returning from Executive Session, it is noted that no action was taken.

Chair Hanna stated that the sentiment of the board is to maintain the current status of the mask mandate.

V. Adjournment

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As there was no more business, Trustee Bill Biggs moved to adjourn. Turner seconded, and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Travis E. Overton
Chief of Staff