Capital Projects Committee, May 3, 2007

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Mr. Moore called the meeting to order. Mr. Parker introduced Mr. Steve Blake, outside auditor, and Ms. Alison Hawk, Mr. Parker’s business associate.

**Mr. Carter moved to approve the minutes of January 10 and March 19, 2007, seconded by Mr. DuBard and so carried.**

Mr. Keith Hinson proposes gifting to the university a plat of land for a Myrtle Beach Higher Education Center. The land is approximately 8.5 acres, including a wetlands buffer, and is located near the corner of International Drive and River Oaks Boulevard. An agreement is currently being drawn up.

The Commission on Higher Education (CHE) has encouraged the university to develop a Master Land Acquisition Plan that includes lands within a two-mile radius of campus and current Coastal Carolina properties and includes property currently being negotiated. Anything within the CHE approved area would not be held up in the normal process of receiving approval from the state. A map was viewed by everyone with the proposed area. The Master Land Acquisition Plan will require the full Board’s approval tomorrow.

Dr. Dyer was asked to review the current leases and report back to the committee at the next meeting.

The Coastal Educational Foundation has given the arena developer until October 1 to secure funding and a building permit. The arena developer has three funding sites
and is asking for an extension to prepare a feasibility study required by the Rural Development Administration (RDA).

There is some confusion regarding the increase in the amount of the fieldhouse facility project. It has been filed with the state for $10.7 million. At the onset, the Foundation was asked to add $3 million of private money for the project and has done so. Mr. Hodge suggested putting it out for bids and asking companies what they could do with a set amount.

There is an issue with Horry-Georgetown Tech and the greens at Quail Creek Golf Course. The problem seems to be that there is not a clear line of authority for the maintenance of the course, and a general manager is needed. It was felt that it would be helpful for Dr. DeCenzo to meet with Mr. Neyle Wilson and develop a memorandum of understanding with Horry-Georgetown Tech regarding the keeping of the greens.

The golf course irrigation project was budgeted for $600,000 from the institutional bonds, but the first bid for the project was for $800,000. The general consensus was to defer repairing the irrigation system until management of the course is under control.

The meeting went into Executive Session and no action was taken.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Samuel H. Frink
Secretary/Treasurer