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Minutes Coastal Carolina University Board of Trustees

Facilities Committee E. Craig Wall, Sr. College of Business Building, Board Room Thursday, October 11, 2007

Members of the Mr. Gary W. Brown, Mr. Joseph L. Carter, and

Committee Present: Mr. Robert L. Rabon

Other Board Members

Present: Mr. William H. Alford and Mr. Clark B. Parker

Others Present: Dr. David A. DeCenzo, Dr. Edgar L. Dyer, Ms. Stacie

Bowie, Mr. Wilbur L. Garland, Mr. Warren Koegel, Ms. Linda P. Lyerly, Dr. Rob Sheehan, Dr. Judy W. Vogt, Ms. Sandra W. Williams, Dr. Lynn Willett, Ms. Brenda

Cox, and Ms. Chyrel Stalvey

Mr. Rabon welcomed everyone to the Facilities Committee meeting and called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Mr. Carter moved to approve the minutes of the Facilities Committee meeting held on June 21, 2007. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brown and passed unanimously.

Ms. Sandy Williams reviewed the lease report. She explained that the Testing Center will be moving back to campus in the near future. Therefore, it is desirable to have a month-to-month lease for the space at Colonial Mall. Since additional parking is needed on campus, the University would like to lease approximately 2.8 acres on University Boulevard from the Coastal Educational Foundation. The cost of this lease is \$1 per year.

After a discussion, Mr. Brown made a motion that the Facilities Committee recommend to the full Board of Trustees to approve these two leases. (1) A month-to-month lease for the Testing Center, not to exceed six months, at Colonial Mall with Marelda Myrtle Beach Mall LLC. This lease will begin on January 1, 2008. (2) The lease of approximately 2.8 acres on University Boulevard from the Coastal Educational Foundation for overflow parking. The cost of the lease is \$1 per year beginning August 30, 2007 and ending on August 29, 2010. Mr. Carter seconded and the motion passed.

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Mr. Carter inquired as to what progress has been made in the purchase of the Band Building. Mr. Garland stated that the environmental study has slowed the state process. The S.C. Commission on Higher Education has approved it, but it still needs Budget and Control Board approval. If the purchase of this building is not closed by December 31, 2007, the owner, Mr. Tom Rice, will increase the price by \$100,000. The purchase price is now \$500,000 and the appraisal of this property is \$1.1 million.

Mr. Alford thanked Mr. Rabon for chairing the Facilities Committee and for his time and energy put forth in the Science Building. He explained that facilities are a key component to the University and creative ways need to be explored to fund and build new buildings. The Campus Master Plan needs to be reviewed and the focus should be totally on how to remain stable and not make a lot of moves after renovating a building for a specific use.

Mr. Garland gave an update on capital projects and stated that Coastal Carolina ended last year with a \$4.4 million surplus. The Science Building project budget currently has \$2 million for renovations. An additional \$2.7 million could be earmarked toward this project. A decision needs to be made concerning the renovation and/or addition to the Science Building. Due to Mr. Rabon's dedication to locate the problems which existed in the Science Building and make the necessary repairs, it is no longer considered a "sick" building. The Ecology/Chemistry Laboratory renovations should be completed in the spring of 2008. This will help to alleviate the laboratory space problem when the Science Building is closed for renovation.

After discussion, Mr. Brown made a motion that the Facilities Committee recommend to the full Board of Trustees to give the administration instructions to develop a plan to expand the Science Building towards Prince Lawn by approximately 20,000 sq. ft. The administration, working with the Facilities Committee, is encouraged to hire professional consultants to do an assessment and a feasibility study, use the Campus Master Plan as a guide, and make this addition aesthetically pleasing to the quadrangle. This plan would be brought back to the Board for approval. Mr. Carter seconded and the motion passed.

Mr. Garland stated that the cost estimates for the Athletic Field House should be ready by the end of November. It was suggested that this committee meet when those numbers are available.

Dr. Dyer informed the committee that Mr. Ed Jackson has offered to give \$150,000 and assist Coastal Carolina to raise another \$300,000 to build a chapel on campus and name it the Ronald Lackey Memorial Chapel.

Mr. Brown suggested it would be a valuable tool to have the poster board of the Campus Master Plan at the Facilities Committee meetings in the future.

Mr. Carter feels that it would be beneficial to add more members to this committee.

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda M. Cox Tommy M. Stringer Secretary/Treasurer