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**Minutes
Coastal Carolina University
Board of Trustees**

**Student Affairs Committee
Williams-Brice Recreation Center, Room 114
June 12, 2008**

Members of the

Committee Present: Mr. Samuel H. Frink and Mr. Eugene C. Spivey

Committee Members

Not Present: Mr. William L. Lyles

Other Board Members

Present: Mr. Robert G. Templeton and Mr. Tommy M. Stringer

Others Present:

Ms. Jennie Cassidy, Mr. Jody H. Davis, Ms. Paula Drummond, Ms. Haven Hart, Mr. Tim Meacham, Ms. Anne T. Monk, Mr. Caesar C. Ross, Dr. Rob Sheehan, Ms. Susan Talbot, Dr. Judy W. Vogt, Mr. Greg Weisner, Dr. Lynn Willett, and Ms. Nila Hutchinson

Mr. Spivey called the Student Affairs Committee meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. New trustee, Robert Templeton, was introduced.

Mr. Frink moved to approve the February 14 and April 13, 2008 Student Affairs Committee minutes and Mr. Spivey seconded. The motion carried.

Everyone received a copy of the Summary of Accomplishments, 2007-2008 for Division of Student Affairs. Dr. Willett highlighted:

- Campus Recreation participated in campus tours and planning sessions to make recommendations for enhancements to recreation facilities.
- Organized Sports Club Council – Sports clubs help to fill the gap between intercollegiate and the intramural program. Mr. Jody Davis reported that the most active club sports are rugby, swim, and lacrosse. Most of their competitions are held on the weekends.
- Career Services has increased the number of student contacts by over 300% through the University 101 course for freshmen and the TEAL Seminary for seniors.
- Counseling Services has sponsored new outreach events including: State Fair/Now What Week; Are You in jeopardy?; Take Back the Night; EveryBODY is Beautiful Week/Fair; and White Out Sexual Assault Week/Walk a Mile. Counseling Services managed a client load of over 1,000 students with a 25% increase in crisis appointments.

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- Disability Services has been enhanced with improved communications with parents, faculty, and students. The number of students registered for approved accommodations in courses increased from 144 to 210.
- Approximately 750 judicial cases have been reviewed this year for violations of the Code of Conduct and the Residence Life Living Guide.
- The recruitment program for Greek Life has greatly improved and recruitment increased from 100 in Fall 2006 to 170 in Fall 2007.
- Multi-Cultural Services has hired a new Coordinator of Diversity Programs which will help to expand the sphere of influence on campus.
- Public Safety has developed emergency response systems and methods of communicating with faculty, staff, students and parents including the Coastal Carolina University Alert text messaging system, the Emergency Website and the Emergency Response Manual.
- Chief Weisner and Deputy Chief Moore worked with key community members to assess and plan for parking needs. Enforcement, facilities, policies and available space were reviewed. Changes were made in the areas of enforcement, regulations and facilities to improve traffic and parking.
- Good communication and coordination exists between Public Safety, Counseling, Residence Halls and Judicial Affairs.
- Residence Life hired a new technology staff member who has implemented several communication improvements.
- Student Health Services' (SHS) expanded services for all undergraduates which resulted in a 65% increase in patient utilization. SHS achieved high ratings in customer satisfaction and 93% of students rated their overall SHS experience as excellent or good.

In addition, five other projects were reviewed:

- Some work has been completed on the second floor for the Student Center renovations. The completion date is August 2009.
- The Alcohol and Drug Policy has been revised.
- As newer technology becomes available, the emergency response system will be updated.
- The improved laundry facilities for resident students will be completed by mid-July.
- Improved community relations with adjacent neighbors is ongoing and has included distributing a "Be a Good Neighbor Guide" to off-campus students, conducting five neighborhood clean-up days, and increasing public safety response and campus judicial hearings for off-campus violations.

A job description is being developed for an additional Student Services staff.

Mr. Frink wanted to know if we planned to have a pharmacy on campus. Dr. Willett stated that a pharmacy is on our wish list. Mr. Ross continues to explore clarification of SC Pharmacy Board laws and meeting with drug representatives to pursue discounted pharmaceuticals options. We are concerned with the number of students who lack transportation and/or of funds to get their prescriptions filled. After receiving a three-day sample dosage of medicine, the students are returning for more treatment. This has resulted in an increase of students coming back to the health center.

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Ms. Hart, Interim Associate Vice President & Dean of Students, reviewed this year's Summary of Incidents. She emphasized that the summary reflects the number of charges and not the number of students actually found in violation. Some students may have had more than one charge. These numbers reflect incidences which took place on campus, in residence halls, at tailgating event, and off-campus (Wild Wing and Campus Edge). Of the 1,076 incidences this year, 750 individuals were involved. Each case requires at least a couple of hours. Proper staffing is monitored for residence life and judicial areas for this process.

The summary reported the following:

2004-2005	391	(database came on-line in 2005 and reporting was different)
2005-2006	944	
2006-2007	1,031	
2007-2008	1,076	

“Failure to comply” means that students did not complete the sanctions assigned to them. Students are then recharged and issued a higher level of sanction. The drastic change in “other violation of state/federal law” is attributed to off-campus incidents.

Chief Wiesner noted that this report means that 90% of our students did not get in trouble and that is a good number.

Chief Weisner reminded everyone of the two off-campus shootings—one a homicide. Because of the increasing crime activity in the area of campus, Dr. DeCenzo met with officials from the City of Conway, SLED, the solicitor and the solicitor's drug unit and other law enforcement entities and determined that a good course of action would be to develop an exercise to look for weapons and drugs in University residential areas (not Campus Edge). After four days of preparation and just before finals week in the spring, Operation Safe Campus was held. About 30 law enforcement officers and seven canine teams were used in the canvas. As a result three students were arrested and four were charged with drug related charges. Over a pound of marijuana was found in one room. At University Place, a student was growing marijuana plants. As a result of the canvas, students realize that the University is serious about drugs on campus.

The solicitor has begun his taskforce on campus safety with Horry-Georgetown Technical College and Coastal Carolina University.

Ms. Drummond reported that 1,407 applications have been received for housing for Fall 2008. This is the first year that freshmen have been required to live on campus and freshmen have been given priority to campus housing. We have leased five buildings from University Place for freshmen overflow.

Dr. Sheehan reviewed an Academic & Student Affairs organizational chart. This is a fluid chart and additional changes will be coming. The number of personnel reporting to Dr. DeCenzo will decrease from fourteen to five.

Dr. Sheehan is pleased that Dr. Willett will continue to work as Special Projects Coordinator and will assess the Student Affairs area.

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Dr. Willett expressed appreciation to the Student Affairs Committee for their support over the past five years. She looks forward to her new role and expressed best wishes to Ms. Hart.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Chyrel Stalvey for
Tommy M. Stringer
Secretary/Treasurer