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Chairman Billy Alford brought the Executive Committee retreat to order at 1:15 p.m.

Mr. Larry Lyles moved to approve the Executive Committee minutes of May 5, 2011. Larry Biddle seconded and motion carried.

Mr. Wayne George reported that the Nominating Committee had received input from 14 Board members regarding a slate of officers for next year. The following will be presented tomorrow:

D. Wyatt Henderson – Chair
Gary W. Brown – Vice Chair
Larry L. Biddle – Secretary/Treasurer

Dr. David Decenzo distributed the President’s Report Card for the last 2010-2011 academic year. Under his leadership, the land space has doubled and financial aid and scholarship has also doubled. All was accomplished with the loss of 68% in state appropriations. He expressed appreciation to everyone and, in particular, Chairman Alford for his friendship and leadership.

Chairman Alford responded that it had not been a perfect world but we feel that we have gone through downturns and have come through in strong fashion. He expressed appreciation to Coastal Carolina’s founding fathers and the taxpayers. Many great things are happening both academically and in athletics. He has appreciated working with Dr. DeCenzo and Mr. Dyer.
Today, we celebrate the University’s 20th year anniversary of independence. It has been a wonderful ride.

Mr. Biddle suggested making a pocket-sized pamphlet with this report for the trustees and Foundations to use to promote the University.

As there were contractual and personnel issues to discuss Gene Spivey moved to go into Executive Session and Larry Biddle seconded. Upon reconvening it was noted that no action was taken.

The following trustees were present when the subsequent voting took place: Billy Alford, Larry Biddle, Gary Brown, Sam Frink, Wayne George, Natasha Hanna, Wyatt Henderson, Gene Spivey, and Will Turner.

Mr. Spivey moved to give a three percent across-the-board raise to employees, excluding senior administration and athletic coaches with contractual pay increases. Mr. Frink seconded and the motion passed by acclamation.

Mr. Spivey made a motion to grant authorization to the Finance and Administration Department and to the University Housing Foundation to request that the state solicit bids on the University’s behalf for additional student housing to be available by Fall 2012 as a lease terms with the winner of the bid. The lease, once negotiated, will follow the state approval process beginning with the approval of the Board of Trustees (Motion 11-35). Larry Biddle seconded. The motion passed. Billy Alford recused himself from discussion.

The Academic & Student Affairs Committee made a motion and Gary Brown seconded to:

- approve the Charles W. Joyner Reading Room in honor of Dr. Charles W. Joyner in recognition of his distinctive research, scholarship, leadership and service in the realm of Southern history and culture for future generations in the Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts Building, Room 202 (Motion 11-34).
- hire with tenure Jonathan C. Smith, Associate Professor of Politics and Director of Intelligence and National Security (Motion 11-37).

As there was no further business, the meet adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Chyrel Stalvey