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**Minutes**  
**Coastal Carolina University**  
**Board of Trustees**

**Government Affairs Committee**  
**July 20, 2012**

**Committee Members Present:** Dr. Larry L. Biddle, Mr. Samuel H. Frink, Ms. Natasha M. Hanna and Mr. William L. Lyles Jr.

**Committee Member Not Present:** Mr. Daniel W. R. Moore Sr.

**Other Board Members Present:** Mr. Gary W. Brown, Mr. J. Wayne George, Mr. D. Wyatt Henderson, Mr. Carlos C. Johnson, Dr. Oran P. Smith, Mr. Eugene C. Spivey, Mr. Robert G. Templeton, and Mr. William E. Turner III

**Others Present:** Ms. Stacie A. Bowie, Ms. Lori Church, Ms. Heather A. Crawford, Dr. David A. DeCenzo, Mr. Edgar L. Dyer, Ms. Martha S. Hunn, Mr. Tim Meacham, Dr. Robert Sheehan, Ms. Jennifer Packard and Ms. Chyrel Stalvey

(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. Heather Gale of The Horry Independent was in attendance.)

Chairman Larry Lyles brought the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Sam Frink moved to approve the Government Affairs Committee minutes of May 3, 2012. Dr. Larry Biddle seconded, and the motion passed.

Dr. DeCenzo was very pleased with the progress of the legislation for the Marine Science Ph.D. and receipt of funds for the research vessel, a necessary part of the program. State research institutions were neutral or positive and Frances Marion University withdrew their physician's assistant program from the legislature. He expressed appreciation to Mr. Mark Kelly and Ms. Natasha Hanna.

Ms. Hanna stated that Governor Haley rewards universities who keep tuition down and that is one of the reasons why she was so supportive of the research vessel.

Dr. DeCenzo congratulated Mr. Dyer on Sunday's op-ed piece in The Sun News, "CCU: An Economic Engine for Horry County."

Mr. Dyer reported that the Horry County Higher Education Commission received a formal ordinance from Horry County Council transferring ownership and maintenance rights for all the

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roads and common areas in the Atlantic Center and approval to build a tennis complex on about 11.7 acres of land. Because we are the major owners there, the Atlantic Center Property Owners' Association will oversee the road maintenance and work with Coastal Carolina.

Newly elected Representative Heather Ammons Crawford was introduced. She is married to a graduate of Coastal Carolina University.

Mr. Larry Lyles moved to go into Executive Session to discuss legal matters and Ms. Hanna seconded. Upon reconvening, it was noted that no action taken.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Chyrel Stalvey  
for Larry L. Biddle  
Secretary/Treasurer