NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 26, 2019

The NCCU Board of Trustees convened in the Emma Marable Conference Room in the William Jones Building on the campus of North Carolina Central University on Wednesday, June 26, 2019. Chairman Hamilton called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

INVOCATION: Trustee Siegel gave the invocation

ROLL CALL: <u>Present:</u> Mr. George Hamilton, Mrs. Karyn Wilkerson, Mrs. Oita Coleman, Mr. Kevin Holloway, Mr. James Walker, Mr. Isaiah Tidwell (via telephone conference), Dr. Kenneth Tindall, Mr. John Herrera, Mr. Michael Johnson, Ms. Allyson Siegel, Dr. John McCubbins (via telephone conference) and Mr. Brandon Hedgebeth (via telephone conference)

Absent: Mr. John Barbee

OPEN SESSION

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: It was moved by Trustee Coleman and properly seconded by Trustee Walker that the agenda be adopted. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: It was moved by Trustee Johnson and properly seconded by Trustee Coleman to approve the minutes dated April 24, 2019 and June 17, 2019. The motion carried.

CHAIR'S REMARKS: Chairman Hamilton informed the Board, as Chair, it is his responsibility to remind all members of the Board of their duty under the State Government Ethics Act to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict of interest as required by this Act. Each member has received the agenda and related information for this Board of Trustees meeting. If any board member knows of any conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matter coming before the board of trustees at this meeting, the conflict or appearance of conflict should be identified at this time. No conflict was presented.

REPORT OF THE CHANCELLOR: Chancellor Johnson Akinleye presented the Chancellor's Report.

Provided a summary of updates from the university, as we have three groundbreaking ceremonies today.

RECOGNITION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Chancellor Akinleye recognized Trustee Isaiah Tidwell who joined by phone. He asked that we all keep him in our thoughts and prayers.

Toward the end of the meeting, Chancellor will formally recognize members of the Board of Trustees who have faithfully served the university. Chancellor extended his personal thanks to Chairman George Hamilton, Vice Chairman John Barbee and Trustee John McCubbins for their honorable and dedicated service on behalf of our students. Your insight, advocacy and actions have helped NCCU move forward, and for that we are grateful.

Additional, congratulations were in order for Trustee Michael Johnson, who will be honored in September with the Lifetime Achievement award by the National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame Foundation for his investment in and activism for HBCUs and higher education, as well as his many professional career achievements.

NEW APPOINTMENT

On June 1, NCCU welcomed Dr. Patrick Liverpool as our Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. He joined us following his retirement as provost of the University of Maryland at Eastern Shore. He is a seasoned academic administrator and served in a number of leadership roles at institutions, including Fisk University, Florida A&M University, Central State University, North Carolina A&T State University and Delaware State University.

133rd COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

NCCU is making great headway in each of the four pillars of The Eagle Promise. This May, NCCU graduated 1,092 students at one of our largest Spring Commencement exercises. More of our students are graduating on time and even more are headed to full-time employment or graduate programs.

At the Graduate and Professional ceremony, NCCU awarded an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters to our speaker, North Carolina Chief Justice Cheri Beasley, the first African American chief justice for the state of North Carolina. NCCU alumnus, pastor and activist, the Rev. Dr. William Barber II, gave a charge to undergraduate students at

our Baccalaureate ceremony to use their education to help reduce poverty, racism and other injustices in America and around the world.

DAY OF GIVING

We commemorated the NCCU Day of Giving from May 30-31. It was a 24-hour online fundraising campaign that demonstrates the collective positive impact of gifts of all sizes. Thanks is due to Dr. Harriet Davis, Vice Chancellor of Institutional Advancement, and her team for their work in making that day a tremendous success. For the Day of Giving, themed, "One Day One Decision to Soar," we raised \$143,000 that was given by 449 donors.

ENROLLMENT

Yesterday, you heard a detailed presentation from Dr. Monica Leach, Senior Associate Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management, on our enrollment projections. A few highlights include our intent-to-enroll numbers: we have 1,065 first-year students, 382 transfer students and 382 graduate students who have indicated their intent to enroll at NCCU in Fall 2019.

Additionally, the university is excited to welcome Ms. Ny'Quasia Smith, a 16-year-old first-year student who has earned more than \$1.5 million in scholarships with acceptances to more than six institutions. Her story has been covered nationally. One of our new law school students this fall is Ms. Brittany Reaves. She is an 18-year-old graduate of Fayetteville State University who completed 85 credits at the Cumberland International Early College High School over a four-year period.

CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

As you likely saw upon entering the perimeter of the campus, our three capital projects are now underway and we are very pleased at the progress thus far. Yesterday's presentation during the Finance and Facilities Committee provided a thorough overview of all five of our capital projects—the New School of Business, George Street Residence Hall, Chidley Residence Hall, Lawson Street Residence Hall and the New Student Center. With construction underway for the Chidley South and George Street residence halls and the New Student Center, we will prepare for construction for the Lawson Street Residence Hall and New School of Business to begin in early 2020.

We look forward to having you join us beginning at 11 a.m. for the Groundbreaking Ceremonies at Chidley South and George Street residence halls and the New Student Center.

HBCU AWARDS 2019

Last week, NCCU was announced as a finalist in 10 categories for the 2019 HBCU Awards presented by HBCU Digest. The list of finalist categories that include NCCU is noted on the screen. These are:

- Best Research Center for BBRI's RCMI Center for Health Disparities
- Best Student Government Association
- Best Alumni Publication for NCCU Now
- Alumnus of the Year the Rev. William J. Barber
- Male Coach of the Year D. Curtis Lawson
- Male Athlete of the Year Raasean Davis
- Men's Team of the Year Men's Basketball
- Female Student of the Year former UNC student government president Bettylenah Njaramba
- Male Student of the Year Denzel Goodlin
- Male Faculty of the Year Dr. Jonathan Livingston

NCCU is certain that we will be winners in many if not all categories!

RANKINGS AND REPORTS

NCCU has been privileged to earn several other notable rankings in the past two months.

Of particular note, NCCU was recognized as one of the safest college campuses in the nation at Alarms.org, the official website for the National Council for Home Safety and Security. Out of 500 campuses listed in the site's "The Safest Colleges in America" report, NCCU ranked in the top 60th percentile nationwide. In the state of N.C., NCCU was ranked 15th safest. The institution was also noted as the third-safest HBCU in the state.

Our Counselor Education Program earned high praise from topcounselingschools.org, which named it as one of the nation's top five accredited online master's counseling degree programs. The degree, offered through the Department of Allied Professions in

the School of Education, has three nationally accredited programs: career counseling, clinical mental health counseling and school counseling.

In late May, the Juvenile Justice Institute in the Department of Criminal Justice in cooperation with the Durham Police Department released a report on low level misdemeanor offenses in Durham. Based on a project at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice at The City University of New York, the Data Collaborative for Justice research initiative was funded by a \$3.25 million, three-year grant from the Laura and John Arnold Foundation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Trustee Tindall presented the Academic and Student Affairs Committee Report. There was one (1) action item and several informational items.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Yesterday, Dr. Yolanda Anderson, Associate Vice Chancellor for Faculty Development Resources presented proposed modifications to the 2017 Faculty Handbook.

It moved by Trustee Walker and properly seconded by Trustee Johnson that the NCCU Board of Trustees approve the modifications to the 2017 Faculty Handbook. The motion carried.

The 2019 Enrollment Preview was presented by Dr. Monica Leach, Senior Associate Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management and Academic Affairs. Highlights of her presentation included the following:

- Enrollment Goals
- Intent to Enroll Trending
- First Time Students Trending
- Future of High School Graduates in North Carolina
- Transfer Students Trending
- Distance Education Trending
- Graduate Students Trending
- Law Students Trend
- Enrollment Yield Strategies and Media Optimization

• Cheatham White Scholars

Following Dr. Leach's presentation, she recognized and introduced Ms. Christina Garrett, Director, Cheatham White Scholars Program.

Trustees also requested Dr. Leach to present an Enrollment Update at the September 24, 2019 Board of Trustees meeting.

STUDENT AFFAIRS

Dr. Angela Coleman, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, presented the Division of Student Affairs update. Highlights of her presentation included the following:

- Workplace for Commuters
- Bike Friendly University
- Grants
- Residential Life
- Student Advocacy Award

An update of the Office of Career and Professional Development Services was provided by Ms. Catrina DosReis, Director. Highlights included:

- The Office of Career and Professional Development Services awarded NC DOT Employer of the Year. Thirty students participated in paid summer internships.
- NCCU received a \$50,000.00 Grant from Home Free USA to host professional development programming.
- The Director to serve on McKinney's Diversity and Inclusion Corporate Advisory Committee.

ADVANCEMENT, ATHLETICS AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Trustee Siegel presented the Advancement, Athletics and External Affairs Committee Report. There were several informational items

ATHLETICS

Dr. Ingrid Wicker-McCree, Director of Athletics, presentation included the following:

- Eagle Excellence
- Football Championship Subdivision Situational Analysis

• NC Helper Community Service Program

Next Mr. Jamaal Mayo, Associate Athletic Director for Development presented FY 19 Annual Fund and Eagle Club Revenues as of March 2019.

Mr. Derrick Magee, Senior Associate Athletic Director for Finance and Administration presentation included the following:

- Athletics Tickets, Foundation and Corporate Revenue
- Overall Budget Summary

ADVANCEMENT

Dr. Harriet Davis, Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement presentation included the following:

- Countdown to June 30th
- 4th Quarter Report
 - o FY 2019 Fundraising Goal
 - o FY 2019 Alumni Giving Goal
 - o FY 2019Total Percentage Committed
 - o Donors by Colleges/Schools/Units
 - o Gifts In-Kind
 - Major Gift Support Contributed/Committed \$50,000 and Above
 - o Three Year Comparison
 - o Major Gifts Report
 - o New Endowments/Namings
 - o Major Gifts (Non Endowment)
 - o Planned Gifts
 - o Old Chidley Hall Brick Campaign
 - o Day of Giving Campaign

The NCCU Fundraising Guide which contained fundraising practices, procedures and policies was included in the Trustees packet.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee has three (3) action items for Open Session, several informational items and one (1) action item for Closed Session.

Yesterday, Mr. Robert Gaines, Internal Auditor presented the FY 2020 Internal Audit Plan.

It was moved by Trustee Johnson and properly seconded by Trustee Siegel that the NCCU Board of Trustees approve FY 2020 Internal Audit Plan. The motion carried.

Next, he presented the FY 2020 Audit Committee Charter.

It was moved by Trustee Johnson and properly seconded by Trustee Tidwell that the NCCU Board of Trustees approve FY 2020 Audit Committee Charter. The motion carried.

Mr. Gaines also presented the FY 2020 Internal Audit Charter.

It was moved by Trustee Johnson and properly seconded by Trustee Tidwell that the NCCU Board of Trustees approve FY 2020 Internal Audit Charter. The motion carried.

Yesterday, also, Mr. Robert Gaines, Internal Auditor, presented the Planned Internal Audit Activities and Unplanned Internal Audit Activities as of June 25, 2019 and the Interviews for Risk Assessment and the FY 2020 Risk Assessment Results.

FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Trustee Holloway presented the Finance and Facilities Committee Report. There was one (1) action item and several informational items.

FINANCE

Dr. Cornelius Wooten presented the Third Quarter Budget Report for the period ending March 31, 2019.

- General Fund Budget
- Auxiliary Services Budget
- University Auxiliary Budget

- Residence Life
- Athletics
- Food Services

FACILITIES

Dr. Wooten continued with the Capital Project update which included:

- Major Capital Projects Updates
 - New School of Business
 - Student Housing P-3
 - New Student Center
- Master Plan Update
- Minor Capital Projects Updates
 - o Repairs to Mary Townes Science Complex
 - o Repairs at Walker PE Complex
 - o Lee Biology Building Partial Renovation
 - o Shepard Library Renovation Phase III
 - Outdoor Track Resurfacing Project
 - o Facilities Management In-House Projects

Mr. Victor Vines, Principal, Vines Architecture along with Mr. Robert Thomas, Director of Design, Mr. David Hardin, Project Manager and Mr. Adam Brakenbury, Project Architect presented renderings for the new School of Business. Highlights of his presentation included the following:

- Strategic Principles
- Design Principles
- Program Overview
- Project Schedule

Much conversation was generated around the actual exterior design. The Trustees requested Vines Architecture to provide the following:

- Costs of different applications metal panels, glass or brick
- Clearer renderings with panel vs brick
- Represent more as gateway building of prominence
- Not increase size of building
- Needs to blend with NCCU and be attractive and transparent with more glass

Mr. Richard Reith and Mr. Wilson Jones Advisors/Consultants for P-3 Project provided an update which included financial close for Residence Hall projects. They reported this project is on time and on budget

Following the Capital Projects Update Vice Chancellor Wooten presented the Annual Services Agreement for approval.

It was moved by Trustee Holloway and properly seconded by Trustee Johnson that the NCCU Board of Trustees approve the Annual Services Agreement. The motion carried.

Next Ms. Leah Kraus, Chief Information Officer and Mr. Joel Faison, Director, Network Services and Telecommunications presented an Information Technology Services outline of technologies and/or programs completed over the past 5 years. Copies of annual reports with the 2018-19 to be completed in the fall.

ENDOWMENT FUND

Chairman Hamilton presented The Endowment Fund Report. There were several informational items.

Vice Chancellor Dr. Cornelius Wooten presented the University's Endowment report.

The UNC Management Company Fund had a performance return of 5.88% for Fiscal Year 2019. Piedmont Investment Advisors had a performance return of 10.23%.

The market value of the University's Endowment Fund as of April 30, 2019, was \$39,095,887 compared to \$36,629,410 as of July 01, 2018. This change reflects a market value increase of \$2,466,477 or 6.73% for fiscal year 2019.

Administration and Finance Staff will reach out to The Asset Strategy Consultants asking for a review of the University's Investment portfolio, and target to present at the September Board of Trustees meeting.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Trustee Wilkerson presented the Governance Committee Report. There were several informational items and one (1) action item.

The UNC Board of Governors voted on March 21, 2019 on the Appointments and Reappointments to the Boards of Trustees. The Board of Governors re-elected Trustee Tidwell and Trustee Johnson. Newly elected appointments include Mr. William (Bill) Bell (former Mayor of Durham) and Mr. Keith Chadwell (Deputy City Manager for Durham).

However, on June 21, 2019 the UNC Board of Governors met and amended Section 401 of The Code.

AMENDMENT TO SECTION 401 A OF THE CODE

REVISED 11/3/17

CURRENT SECTION 401-A AMENDED SECTION 401-A **REVISED 6/21/19**

CHAPTER IV – BOARD OF TRUSTEES SECTION 400 - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 401, OFFICERS

At the first regular meeting after June 30 of each year, each board of trustees shall elect from its membership a chair, a vice chair, and a secretary. [See G.S. 116-32] Each of these officers shall serve until his or her successor is elected. If the term of the chair on the board of trustees expires before his or her successor as chair is elected, then the vice chair shall become the interim chair until the chair's successor is elected.

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SECTION 401. OFFICERS. 401 A. Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary.

At the first regular meeting after June 30 of each year, each board of trustees shall elect from its membership a chair, a vice chair, and a secretary. [See G.S. 116-32] In no event shall officer elections take place before July 1, or before the swearing in of new board members whose terms commence on July 1. Any member of the board who is or who shall be duly appointed and sworn in at the time of the election shall be is eligible to serve as an officer, regardless of length of service on the board. Elections shall be conducted such that each member of the board, including newly appointed members, can fully participate in the nomination, consideration, and election of officers. Nominating committees convening prior to July 1 to determine a slate of officer candidates may include members who have been appointed but have not vet been sworn in, but may not include current members whose terms end June 30 and who have not been reappointed. Each of these elected officers shall serve until his or her successor is elected. If the term of the chair on the board of trustees expires before his or her successor as chair is elected, then the vice chair shall become the interim chair until the chair's successor is elected.

As a result of this amendment to The Code officer elections cannot take place before July 1st or before the swearing in of new board members who would be eligible to serve as an officer, regardless of length of service on the Board and fully participate in the nomination, consideration and election process.

The North Carolina General Assembly, Committee Substitute for House Bill 1016, UNC Boards of Trustees Appointments was calendared for public concurrence this past Monday and approved. The two Legislative Appointment/Reappointment are: Mr. Roderick Allison and Mrs. Oita Coleman.

Due to the amendments to The Code the NCCU Board of Trustees must elect a Chairman Pro Tem in order to conduct a Special Call meeting to elect officers for 2019-2020.

It was moved by Trustee Wilkerson and properly seconded by Trustee Coleman that the NCCU Board of Trustees approve Trustee Kevin Holloway to serve as Chairman Pro Tempore for the Special Call Meeting date and time to be determined. The motion carried.

Ms. Dottie Fuller, Administrative Support to the NCCU Board of Trustees will contact the three (3) new trustees-elect to seek their availability to be sworn in. On the same day a Special Call Meeting will occur to elect the NCCU Board of Trustees officers for 2019-2020.

EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Executive/Personnel Committee did not present at this meeting.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPORT: The Student Government Association did not present at this meeting

NATIONAL ALUMNI REPORT: Mr. Samuel Cooper, President, NCCU National Alumni Association presented his report. (Copy attached)

At the conclusion of this report Mr. Cooper presented Chairman Hamilton with a gift. Chairman Hamilton stated he has watched the Association grow under his leadership which is now better aligned with the goals and objectives of the Association. He also commended Mr. Cooper for his leadership.

FACULTY SENATE REPORT: Dr. Russell Robinson, Chair, Faculty Senate presented the Faculty Senate Report. A copy of his report is attached.

Note: Prior to the Staff Senate Report Chairman Hamilton invited Ms. Demetria Robinson, past Chair of the Staff Senate, to the podium and presented her a Resolution

for services she rendered as Chair. Her leadership has made a tremendous impact on the staff, faculty and the University. (Copy of Resolution attached)

STAFF SENATE REPORT. Ms. Demetria Robinson recognized and introduced Ms. Sharnia Herbin who presented the Staff Senate. (Copy attached)

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Chairman Hamilton and Chancellor Akinleye read and presented a Resolution and gift to Trustee John McCubbins (via telephone conference – unable to travel due to an injury) and thanked him for his service. (Copy of Resolution attached)

Next, Chairman Hamilton and Chancellor Akinleye read and presented a Resolution and gift to Trustee John Barbee (unable to participate due to a family illness) and thanked him for his service. (Copy of Resolution attached)

Chancellor Akinleye next read and presented a Resolution to Chairman George Hamilton along with a gift. The Chairman expressed his heartfelt appreciation while serving on the NCCU Board of Trustees for 11+ years. He was so pleased to serve on the Board of Trustees and enjoyed immensely working with so many as we strive together and truly excited about the future of this institution.

Next, it was moved by Trustee Coleman and properly seconded by Trustee Johnson to convene in Closed Session to prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of North Carolina or of the United States under N.C.G.S.126-22 and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of N.C.G.S. 143-318-11 (a)(1) The motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

During Closed Session Chancellor Akinleye updated the Board of Trustees on a personnel matter.

There being no further business for Closed Session, it was moved by Trustee Johnson and properly seconded by Trustee Coleman to reconvene in Open Session. The motion carried.

OPEN SESSION

CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Today is a big day, immediately following this meeting groundbreaking ceremonies for Chidley South and George Street Residence Halls and the Student Union. Shuttle bus available outside Jones Building. Trustees may wish to go to their vehicle to take belongings prior to boarding the shuttle.

Following the last groundbreaking there will be a reception in the Student Union. Shuttle to bring Trustees back to the Shepard Circle.

A Chancellor Akinleye announced earlier our own Trustee Michael Johnson will be formally installed on September 27, 2019 at the National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame induction ceremony in Atlanta.

August 18, 2019 - New Students Induction and Eagle Pinning Ceremony August 19, 2019 - First day of classes
September 2, 2019 - Labor Day
September 19-20, 2019 - UNC Board of Governors meeting
September 24-24, 2019 - NCCU Board of Trustees Meeting.

There being no further business, it was moved and properly seconded to adjourn. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Dottie Fuller Recorder