

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

Tuesday, June 24, 2025

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

The Committee on Academic and Student Affairs convened in person at the NCCU Student Center Event Hall on the campus of North Carolina Central University on Tuesday, June 24, 2025. Committee Chairman, Trustee Roderick Allison called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

Chairwoman Alexandra Valladares, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, called the roll.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Chairman Roderick Allison	Yes
Trustee David Alexander	Yes
Trustee Emmanuel Davis	Yes
Trustee James Mitchell	Absent
Trustee Antwan Thornton	Yes

There were four (4) members present at roll call. A quorum was established.

Provost Ontario Wooden shared informational items as noted on the agenda.

Spring 2025 Commencement

Total Degrees Conferred: 979

- Ph.D.: 1
- Juris Doctorate: 130
- Master's: 337
- Bachelor's: 511

Fall Enrollment Goals – New Undergraduates

- Freshman – 1,787
- Transfer – 467
- PKH – 223
- New Undergraduates – 2,477

Summer 2025 Enrollment (as of 6/12/25):

- Total Registered: 3,766
- Total Validated: 3,319
- Compared to Summer 2024: 2,977 validated

Programs Over 120 Credit Hours

Over 120 Hours:

- B.S. Dual Degree (Physics & Engineering)
- B.S.N. Nursing
- B.A. Theatre (Dance Education)

Reduced to 120 Hours:

- B.A. History (Social Studies)
- B.A. Elementary Education
- B.A. Middle Grades Education

Foundations of American Democracy Requirement

UNC Policy 400.1.5 mandates a course on American democracy for students entering after July 1, 2025.

NCCU Implementation:

- HIST 1320 (World Societies) fulfills the requirement.
- Transfer students complete a self-paced Canvas module.

Sponsored Research Update

- Total Awarded: \$4.88 million
- Potential Loss: \$2.48 million

Projects Impacting Students and Staff:

- Topics include health equity, education, environmental justice, homeland security, and more.
- Several projects involve summer salary losses and student research opportunities.

Peer Institutions (2025–2029)

- 10 Peer Institutions Identified
- 9 were peers in 2020, 4 in 2011

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Vice Chancellor Angela Coleman shared informational items as noted on the agenda.

- Student Orientation (SOAR): Multiple sessions held for first-year, transfer, and student-athletes from June to August 2025.
- Fall 2025 Move-In: 1,975 students registered (8.5% increase from 2024); includes 1,792 freshmen and 183 transfers.

Residential Life:

- 3,925 total applications (4.2% increase).
- 2.5M invested in maintenance (HVAC, fire alarms, elevators, etc.).
- Monthly room inspections and enhanced pest control.
- Air quality improvements and mold remediation.

Student Support Initiatives:

- “Adulting Series” webinars on financial aid and off-campus living.
- GoDurham bus pass program.
- Facilities office hours and cleaning kits for residents.

Future Investments:

- \$100M proposal for infrastructure upgrades and expanded housing.

Community Engagement:

- Off-campus housing partnerships with local apartments.
- Collaboration with College Pads for student housing search.

Events:

- Eagle Pinning Ceremony: August 17, 2025.
- Eagle Mania: August 13–23, 2025.

Student Leadership:

- SGA President: Sha’Lexus Sanders
- SGA VP: Haneef Eiermann
- Miss NCCU: Thesha Johnson
- Mister NCCU: Christopher Thorns

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING: It was moved by Trustee David Alexander and properly seconded by Trustee Emmanuel Davis that the meeting was adjourned at 9:38 a.m.

There was no further business discussed.

Break – 9:38 until 10:00 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON ADVANCEMENT AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Advancement and External Affairs convened in person the NCCU Student Center Event Hall on the campus of North Carolina Central University on Tuesday, June 24, 2025. Committee Chair, Trustee Cornell Slade, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

Chairman Cornell Slade recognized Trustee Alexandra Valladares, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, to call the roll.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Chairman Cornell Slade	Yes
Trustee Emmanuel Davis	Yes
Trustee Kevin Holloway	Absent
Trustee Lisa Martinez	Yes
Trustee James Mitchell	Absent
Trustee Alexandra Valladares	Yes

There were four (4) members present at roll call. A quorum was established. Trustee Slade motioned to approve the agenda and the minutes of March 20, 2025, 2nd by Trustee Valladares and Trustee Emmanuel Davis.

Vice Chancellor Susan Hester shared informational items as noted on the agenda.

Institutional Advancement Update

Fundraising Performance (FY23–FY25):

- FY25 YTD: \$15.6M (↑ from \$10.3M in FY24 and \$9.8M in FY23)
- Alumni giving doubled from FY24
- 5,553 donors, including 1,497 new donors
- 801 donors gave \$1,000+
- Top colleges: Arts & Humanities, Business, Education

Scholarships Awarded:

- 568 students received \$2.16M total
- Split: \$1.64M annual, \$518K endowed

Board of Trustees Giving:

- FY25: \$302K (↑ from \$76K in FY24)

- Participation: 92% (↑ from 77%)

Call to Action for Trustees:

- Share funding leads
- Help build funder relationships
- Make introductions via your network

Upcoming Event:

- MEAC/SWAC Challenge – August 23, 2025, in Atlanta, GA

Closed Session

At 10:12 a.m., a motion was made by Chairman Cornell Slade to go into Closed Session for the approval of a donor naming opportunity. Trustee Valladares, Secretary made a motion to go into Closed session pursuant to North Carolina General Statute Section 143-318.11 (2) and (5).

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING: It was moved by Committee Chair, Trustee Cornell Slade, and properly seconded by Trustee Emmanuel Davis that the meeting was adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Chairman Cornell Slade	Yes
Trustee Alexandra Valladares	Yes
Trustee Emmanuel Davis	Yes
Trustee Lisa Martinez	Yes

There were Four (4) members present at roll call. A quorum was established.

There was no further business discussed.

THE COMMITTEE ON ATHLETICS

The Committee on Athletics convened in person the NCCU Student Center Event Hall on the campus of North Carolina Central University on Tuesday, June 24, 2025. Trustee James Walker presided as Chairman in Trustee Mitchell's absence. The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

Trustee James Walker recognized Trustee Alexandra Valladares, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, to call the roll.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Chairman James Mitchell	Absent
Trustee William Bell	Yes
Trustee David Alexander	Yes
Trustee Emmanuel Davis	Yes
Trustee James Walker	Yes
Trustee Cornell Slade	Yes

There were five (5) members present at roll call. A quorum was established. Trustee Walker motioned to approve the agenda and the minutes of March 20, 2025. Trustee Emmanuel Davis and Trustee David Alexander 2nd that motion.

Athletic Director and Vice Chancellor Louis Perkins shared informational items as noted on the agenda. Football Coach Trei Oliver and Tennis Coach Curtis Lawson also presented informational items to the Board.

Academic Excellence

Record-setting GPAs:

- Term GPA: Highest ever recorded.
- Cumulative GPA: Also, a record high.

Top Programs (Term GPA):

- Men's Tennis: 3.83
- Women's Tennis: 3.70
- Men's Golf: 3.68

Top Programs (Cumulative GPA):

- Men's Tennis: 3.86
- Women's Golf: 3.64
- Volleyball: 3.58

APR (Academic Progress Rate):

- NCCU achieved a perfect 1,000, the highest possible by NCAA.
- Tied for #1 with top programs across major conferences (e.g., Clemson, Ohio State, LSU, Dartmouth).
- 12 Football Student-Athletes were inducted into the 2025 NFF Hampshire Honor Society.

Football Program**Recruiting Philosophy:**

- Academic fit, strong character, and comprehensive evaluation "Everything Matters."
- Academic Risk Evaluations are part of recruitment.

Student-Athlete Engagement & Development

12,000+ hours of community service, including:

- Sidekicks Academy Mentorship
- HBCU RISE NIL Academy
- Financial Literacy Programs
- National Girls & Women in Sports Day
- Homecoming Parade
- SOAR to the Polls initiative

Career & Leadership Highlights:

- Internships at Nike, Cisco, and First Tee
- Representation at NCAA forums, NYU Stern Summit, Black Student-Athlete Summit
- Awards: Doris Robinson Scholar Athlete, MEAC Student-Athlete of the Year

Athletic Performance

Overall: 3rd in MEAC standings.

6 out of 13 sports finished in MEAC Top 3:

- Football (2nd)
- Men's Cross-Country (2nd)
- Men's Tennis (Runner-up)
- Women's Tennis (Runner-up)

- Women's Cross-Country (3rd)
- Women's Indoor Track (3rd)

Hosting MEAC Championships for Tennis and Cross-Country

- Venues: Cary Tennis Park and WakeMed Park

Revenue

2023–2024 Football & Basketball Concession Revenue: \$43,269.38

This concludes the informational items for the Committee on Athletics.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING: Trustee James Walker sought a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was moved by Trustee David Alexander and properly seconded by Trustee Emmanuel Davis that the meeting was adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

Chairman James Mitchell	Absent
Trustee William Bell	Yes
Trustee David Alexander	Yes
Trustee Emmanuel Davis	Yes
Trustee James Walker	Yes

There were four (4) members present at roll call. A quorum was established.

There was no further business discussed.

COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

The Committee on Audit convened in person the NCCU Student Center Event Hall on the campus of North Carolina Central University on Tuesday, June 24, 2025. Committee Chair, Trustee Keith Chadwell, called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

Committee Chair, Trustee Keith Chadwell, recognized Trustee Alexandra Valladares, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, to call the roll.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Chairman Keith Chadwell	Yes
Trustee Roderick Allison	Yes
Trustee William Bell	Yes
Trustee Antwan Thornton	Yes

There were four (4) members present at roll call. A quorum was established. A motion was made to approve the agenda and the minutes of March 20, 2025. Trustee Antwan Thornton and Trustee Roderick Allison 2nd that motion.

Mr. Robert Gaines, Chief Audit Officer, shared informational items as noted on the agenda.

Internal Audit Overview

Charter Purpose: Provide independent, objective assurance and consulting services.

Reporting Structure:

- Reports administratively to the Chancellor.
- Reports functionally to the Audit Committee.

Audit Committee Responsibilities

- Approve annual audit plans.
- Review internal audit charter and budget.
- Meet privately with the Chief Audit Officer.
- Ensure independence and proper structure of the audit function.

Risk Assessment Summary

- Collaborative process with senior leadership.
- 98% completion for FY26; 91% for FY25.
- Response from 8 divisions/130 units.

Audit Plans

FY26 Audit Plan

Focused on operational/compliance audits across:

- Administration & Finance
- Academic Affairs
- Facilities
- Police
- Internal Audit Office
- Including:
- Budget & Financial Planning
- Sponsored Research
- Procurement Regulation
- Emergency Communication Systems
- State-Owned Vehicles

FY25 Revised Audit Plan

Expanded to include:

- Travel Card
- Hazardous Waste
- Human Resources
- Secondary Employment
- Cash Audit
- State Financial Reporting
- Single Audit Follow-up

Chairman Keith Chadwell offered a motion to move the following Action Items to the Full Board agenda for approval. Trustee Roderick Allison and Trustee Antwan Thornton 2nd that motion.

Action Items:

- FY26 Audit Committee Charter
- FY26 Internal Audit Charter
- FY25 Revised Audit Plan
- FY26 Audit Plan

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING: It was moved by Committee Chair, Trustee Keith Chadwell, and properly seconded by Trustee Antwan Thornton and Trustee Roderick Allison that the meeting was adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

Chairman Keith Chadwell	Yes
Trustee Roderick Allison	Yes
Trustee William Bell	Yes
Trustee Antwan Thornton	Yes

There were four (4) members present at roll call. A quorum was established.

There was no further business discussed.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND FACILITIES

The Committee on Finance and Facilities convened in person the NCCU Student Center Event Hall on the campus of North Carolina Central University on Tuesday, June 24, 2025. Chair Lisa Martinez called the meeting to order at 11:33 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

Chair Lisa Martinez recognized Trustee Alexandra Valladares, Secretary to the Board of Trustees, to call the roll.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Chair Lisa Martinez	Yes
Trustee William Bell	Yes
Trustee Kevin Holloway	Absent
Trustee Cornell Slade	Yes
Trustee Alexandra Valladares	Yes

There were four (4) members present at roll call. A quorum was established.

CHAIR'S REMARKS:

A motion was made to approve the agenda and the minutes of May 5, 2025, Special Call Meeting. Trustee William Bell and Trustee Alexandra Valladares 2nd that motion.

The Division of Administration and Finance shared informational items as noted on the agenda.

Leadership Updates

New Appointments:

- Aubrey Clark-Brown – Associate VC for Budget & Planning (June 20)
- Lavelle Hayes – Associate Budget Director (June 2)
- Julian Johnson – Director of Purchasing (July 10)
- Ashley Hill – Interim Associate Purchasing Director (April 1)
- Tamar VanDerVeer – Executive Assistant to VC (May 1)

Vacancy: Associate Controller position remains unfilled.

Financial Status

Moody's Rating: A3 with Stable Outlook.

FY25 Focus:

- Closing in progress.
- Projected \$2.5M (2.5%) state funding carry-forward due to hiring freeze and spending controls.
- Audit planning underway.
- Endowment project completed, stewardship reports in preparation.

FY26 Budget: Preparation in progress.

- Monitoring: State and federal budget developments.
Potential impacts on grants, financial aid, and indirect cost shares (e.g., NIH reduction to 15%).

Action Item:

Designer Approval for Boiler Replacement

- 1.9 M to replace boiler
- 3 companies were final bids
- Dewberry is the selected designer to replace the boiler

A motion was made to move the designer approval for the boiler to the full board agenda. Trustee Valladares and Trustee Cornell Slade 2nd that motion.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING: It was moved by Trustee Valladares and properly seconded by Trustee Cornell Slade that the meeting was adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Chair Lisa Martinez	Yes
Trustee William Bell	Yes
Trustee Kevin Holloway	Absent
Trustee Cornell Slade	Yes
Trustee Alexandra Valladares	Yes

There were four (4) members present at roll call. A quorum was established.

There was no further business discussed.

Lunch – 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

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

The NCCU Board of Trustees convened in person the NCCU Student Center Event Hall on the campus of North Carolina Central University on Tuesday, June 24, 2025. Chair Emily M. Dickens called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

INVOCATION: Trustee David Alexander gave the invocation.

Chair Emily M. Dickens recognized the Secretary to the Board of Trustees, Alexandra Valladares, to call the roll.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Chair Emily M. Dickens	Yes
Trustee David Alexander	Yes
Trustee Roderick G. Allison	Yes
Trustee William V. Bell	Yes
Trustee G. Keith Chadwell	Yes
Trustee Emmanuel Davis	Yes
Trustee Kevin Holloway	Absent
Trustee Lisa Martinez	Yes
Trustee James Mitchell	Absent
Trustee Cornell Slade	Yes
Trustee Antwan Thornton	Yes
Trustee Alexandra Valladares	Yes
Trustee James S. Walker	Yes

There were eleven (11) members present at roll call. A quorum was established.

CHAIR'S REMARKS:

As Chair of the Board of Trustees, it is my 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.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA FOR June 24, 2025: It was moved by Trustee Antwan Thornton and properly seconded by Trustee Emmanuel Davis that the agenda be adopted.

Chair Emily M. Dickens	Yes
[Trustee David Alexander	Yes
Trustee Roderick G. Allison	Yes
Trustee William V. Bell	Yes
Trustee G. Keith Chadwell	Yes
Trustee Emmanuel Davis	Yes
Trustee Kevin Holloway	Absent
Trustee Lisa Martinez	Yes
Trustee James Mitchell	Absent
Trustee Cornell Slade	Yes
Trustee Antwan Thornton	Yes
Trustee Alexandra Valladares	Yes
Trustee James S. Walker	Yes

The motion carried with eleven (11) votes in the affirmative.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

It was moved by Trustee Antwan Thornton and properly seconded by Trustee Emmanuel Davis that the meeting minutes be approved.

- Minutes of (open) March 20, 2025
- Minutes of Special Call | Designer Approval | April 10, 2025
- Minutes of Special Call | Designer Approval | April 22, 2025
- Minutes of Special Call | Finance Committee Meeting | May 5, 2025
- Minutes of Special Call | All Funds Budget Meeting | May 13, 2025
- Minutes of Chancellor Dixon's Strategic Plan Workshop | June 4, 2025

Chair Emily M. Dickens	Yes
Trustee David Alexander	Yes
Trustee Roderick G. Allison	Yes
Trustee William V. Bell	Yes
Trustee G. Keith Chadwell	Yes
Trustee Emmanuel Davis	Yes
Trustee Kevin Holloway	Absent
Trustee Lisa Martinez	Yes
Trustee James Mitchell	Absent
Trustee Cornell Slade	Yes
Trustee Antwan Thornton	Yes
Trustee Alexandra Valladares	Yes
Trustee James S. Walker	Yes

The motion carried with eleven (11) votes in the affirmative.

ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

The Chair motioned the adoption of the consent agenda to be approved.

It was moved by Trustee Antwan Thornton and properly seconded by Trustee Emmanuel Davis that the Consent Agenda be adopted. All Aye, None Opposed.

Adoption of the Consent Agenda

- FY25 Revised Audit Plan
- FY26 Audit Plan
- FY26 Audit Committee Charter
- FY26 Internal Audit Charter
- School of Business Innovation Lab – Naming (closed session)
- Designer Dewberry - Approval for Boiler Replacement

Chair Emily M. Dickens	Yes
Trustee David Alexander	Yes
Trustee Roderick G. Allison	Yes
Trustee William V. Bell	Yes
Trustee G. Keith Chadwell	Yes
Trustee Kevin Holloway	Absent
Trustee Lisa Martinez	Yes
Trustee James Mitchell	Absent
Trustee Cornell Slade	Yes
Trustee Antwan Thornton	Yes
Trustee Alexandra Valladares	Yes
Trustee James S. Walker	Yes

The motion carried with eleven (11) votes in the affirmative.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Opening & Recognition

Acknowledgment of Board of Trustees honorees for their service from 2017–2025, including leadership roles.

Mr. Kevin M. Holloway | 2017 – 2025 | Chair 2019 - 2024

Ms. Alexandra Valladares | 2022 – 2025 | Secretary 2023 - 2025

Mr. James S. Walker | 2017 – 2025

Mr. Emmanuel Davis | 2024 – 2025 | President, Student Government Association

Mr. James Mitchell | 2021 – 2025

Mr. Cornell Slade | 2021 – 2025

Chancellor's Installation

Celebration of Chancellor Dixon's installation as NCCU's 13th Chancellor.

Commencement Highlights

Total Graduates: 979

511 Baccalaureate, 337 Master's, 130 Juris Doctorate, 1 Ph.D.

Commencement held on May 9–10, 2025.

UNC System Mandates

Hiring Cap: Personnel and salary levels frozen at April benchmarks.

Chancellor/CFO/COO approval required for all new hires.

Emphasis on long-term cost considerations.

Board of Trustees Subcommittee Requirement

Each BOT Chair (2025–26) must form a 5-member subcommittee.

Deadline for submission to President Hans: July 31, 2025.

Subcommittees will oversee training and role realignment related to Equality Policy Certification.

External Engagement

Thurgood Marshall 2025 Presidents & Chancellors HBCU Fly-In.

NCCU Legislative Reception at the NC Museum of Natural Sciences.

UNC System University Day at the NC General Assembly.

Community Engagement: Durham CROP Hunger Walk, Walker Complex – Chancellor's Walk and Health Fair, Lincoln Health Center tour, and Early College High School graduation and Downtown Durham, Inc. Speaker Series.

Student Engagement

Ladies Soaring to Eagle Promise Luncheon

Strategic Plan: Soaring to New Heights: Vision 2030

Development Process: BOT approval of goals and objectives, stakeholder engagement via surveys, interviews, and town halls.

Metrics to be developed post-approval during cabinet retreat.

BOT Responsibilities: Approve mission, vision, values, goals, and objectives.

Plan Highlights: 5-year span, 5 strategic goals, 36 objectives managed by 6 senior leaders, vision and core values updated (mission unchanged).

Action Item:

- Board Of Trustees approval is requested for **The Strategic Plan: Soaring to New Heights: Vision 2030**.

The Chair motioned the adoption of **The Strategic Plan: Soaring to New Heights: Vision 2030** to be approved.

It was moved by Trustee David Alexander and properly seconded by Trustee Keith Chadwell that **The Strategic Plan: Soaring to New Heights: Vision 2030** be adopted. **All Aye, None Opposed.**

Provost and VC for Academic Affairs, Ontario Wooden presented the Law School Commission Update.

Chair Emily M. Dickens announced special recognition for Trustee and former Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Kevin Holloway. Trustee Holloway is not present today. The Chair motioned for the adoption of Mr. Kevin M. Holloway as ‘Trustee Emeritus’. It was moved by Trustee Alexandra Valladares and properly 2nd by Trustee David Alexander that title ‘Trustee Emeritus’ for Mr. Kevin Holloway be approved. All Aye, None Opposed.

BOT Membership Updates and Officer Elections

Trustee David Alexander, Governance Chair, announced the newly appointed members to the Board of Trustees...

- Ryan Combs
- Farad Ali
- Courtney Crowder
- Michael Goodman
- Sha ‘Lexus Sanders, SGA President

Motion to Suspend NCCU BOT Bylaws for Officer Elections

Trustee David Alexander proposed a motion to suspend the provisions of Article V, Section 5.2.1 and Article VI, Section 6.2.1 of the Bylaws for the 2025-26 cycle only, to allow the early election of officers once newly appointed members are sworn in on July 1, 2025. It was moved by Trustee William Bell and properly 2nd by Trustee Antwan Thornton. All Aye, None Opposed.

Report of Student Government Association

Trustee Emmanuel Davis provided the Student Government Association updates: Eagle Mania o 2025 Eagle Mania, running from August 13–23, offers social events, workshops, and resource fairs to support new students and promote retention.

Student Leadership Spotlight: We are proud to introduce:

- SGA President: Sha ‘Lexus Sanders
- SGA Vice President: Haneef Eiermann
- Miss NCCU: Thesha Johnson
- Mister NCCU: Christopher Thorns

These student leaders exemplify service, leadership, and Eagle pride!
It has been an honor to serve as a trustee during the 2024 2025 academic year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Committee Chair, Trustee Roderick Allison, presented the Academic Affairs and Student Affairs Committee Reports:

Academic and Student Affairs Division Highlights

Chairwoman Dickens and members of the Board of Trustees, the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs received updates from Provost Dr. Ontario S. Wooden and Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, Dr. Angela Coleman.

Dr. Ontario S. Wooden provided Academic Affairs updates:

- Spring 2025 Degrees: 979 total (511 Bachelor's, 337 Master's, 130 JD, 1 PhD)
- Fall 2025 Enrollment Goal and Summer 2025 validation up from previous years
- Programs Over 120 Hours: 3 remain; 3 reduced to 120 hours
- New Graduation Requirement: Course on American democracy (HIST 1320 or Canvas module for transfers)
- Sponsored Research: \$4.88M awarded; \$2.48M potential loss; multiple student/staff impacts
- Peer Institutions (2025–2029): 10 identified; 9 from 2020 list

Dr. Angela A. Coleman, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, provided Student Affairs updates:

- SOAR sessions are held for new and transfer students.
- Fall 2025 move-in: 1,975 students (8.5% increase).
- \$2.9M invested in residence hall maintenance.
- Health & safety enhancements: inspections, pest control, air quality.
- Support programs: financial aid workshops, bus pass program, cleaning kits.
- Future plans: \$100M proposal for housing and infrastructure.
- Key events: Eagle Pinning (Aug 17), Eagle Mania (Aug 13–23).
- New student leaders: SGA and Royal Court announced.

This concludes my report on Academic and Student Affairs.

ADVANCEMENT & EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Committee Chair, Trustee Cornell Slade, presented the Advancement Report.

The Institutional Advancement Committee has several items for information and one item designated for closed session.

Ms. Susan Hester, Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement, provided an update on fundraising efforts. As of May 30th, the Division has raised a total of \$16.4 million toward its \$17 million goal. This total reflects all non-research-related private fundraising activity.

Fundraising Highlights:

Alumni giving has increased by 100%, with 31% of alumni contributing over \$4 million, compared to \$2 million in the previous year. This increase is largely attributed to targeted annual fund appeals, enhanced social media outreach, and major gift solicitations.

Student support: As of May 30th, \$2.1 million has been awarded to 1,025 deserving students through annual and endowed scholarships.

Board engagement: The NCCU Board of Trustees increased their giving by 295% this year, with a 92% participation rate.

Upcoming Events:

MEAC/SWAC Challenge (NCCU vs. Southern University) – scheduled for August 23, 2025, in Atlanta, Georgia, Center Parc Stadium.

Eagles Welcome Reception – to be held on August 22, 2025. Additional details will be provided in the coming weeks.

Madam Chairwoman, if there are no questions, this concludes my report for the open session.

ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

Committee Chair, Trustee James Mitchell is not present today. Trustee James Walker presented the Athletics Report.

The Committee on Athletics received the following updates from the Athletic Director, Dr. Skip Perkins, Football Coach Trei Oliver and Tennis Coach Curtis Lawson:

Academic Excellence:

- Record-high department GPA and APR score (perfect 1,000)
- 12 football players named to NFF Hampshire Honor Society

Recruiting Philosophy:

- Emphasis on academics, character, and holistic evaluation

Student-Athlete Engagement:

- 12,000+ community service hours
- Leadership, financial literacy, and mentorship programs
- Multiple internships and national recognitions

Athletic Performance:

- 6 of 13 teams finished Top 3 in MEAC
- Football and Men's Cross-Country: 2nd place
- Hosting MEAC Championships in Tennis and Cross Country

Revenue:

- 2023–2024 Football & Basketball Concessions: \$43,269.38

This concludes my report on Athletics.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Committee Chair, Trustee Keith Chadwell, presented the Audit Committee Report.

The Audit Committee received the following updates from the Director of Internal Audit, Mr. Robert Gaines:

Purpose: Update on audit progress and plans.

Key Topics:

- FY25 Revised Audit Plan
- FY26 Audit Plan
- Risk Assessment (98%-unit response rate)
- Internal Audit & Committee Charters
- Audit Focus Areas:
 - Administration & Finance
 - Academic Affairs
 - Facilities
 - Compliance & Risk

Chairman Keith Chadwell offered a motion to the Full Board for approval of the Audit Committee action items. Trustee Roderick Allison and Trustee Antwan Thornton 2nd that motion. All Aye, None Opposed.

ACTION ITEMS:

- FY26 Audit Committee Charter
- FY26 Internal Audit Charter
- FY25 Revised Audit Plan
- FY26 Audit Plan

This concludes my report on Audit.

FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Committee Chair, Trustee Lisa Martinez, presented the Administration and Finance Committee Report.

Good afternoon, Madam Chair and members of the Board of Trustees. The Committee on Finance and Facilities received the following updates:

- Leadership Updates: New hires in Budget, Procurement, and Admin offices.

Finance Highlights:

- Moody's A3 rating with Stable Outlook maintained.
- FY25 'closing' in progress; \$2.5M state funding carry-forward expected.
- FY25 audit planning is underway.
- Planning Forward:
- Preparing FY26 budget.
- Monitoring federal and state funding impacts, especially on grants and indirect costs.

Action Item:

Designer Approval for Boiler Replacement

- 1.9 M to replace boiler
- 3 companies were final bids
- Dewberry is the selected designer to replace the boiler

A motion was made to approve Dewberry as the designer to replace the boiler. Trustee Valladares and Trustee Cornell Slade 2nd that motion. All Aye, None Opposed.

This concludes my report on finance and facilities.

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

Did not meet.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Did not meet.

EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Did not meet.

There being no other business before the Board, Chairwoman Dickens sought a motion to adjourn.

Trustee Antwan Thornton moved to adjourn, Trustee Martinez 2nd that motion to adjourn.

THE MEETING IS ADJOURNED at 3:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Deborah Y McQueen