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Intercollegiate Athletics Committee

June 17, 2013

The Intercollegiate Athletics Committee of the University of South Carolina Board of Trustees met on Monday, June 17, 2013, at 9:25 a.m., in the 1600 Hampton Street Board Room.

Members present were: Mr. Mark W. Buyck, Jr., Chairman; Mr. Chuck Allen; Dr. C. Edward Floyd; Mr. William C. Hubbard; Mr. William W. Jones, Jr.; Mr. Toney J. Lister; Ms. Leah B. Moody; Mr. Mack I. Whittle, Jr.; Mr. Eugene P. Warr, Jr., Board Chairman; and Mr. John C. von Lehe, Jr., Board Vice Chairman.

Other Trustees present were: Mr. Robert E. Brown; Mr. J. Egerton Burroughs; Mr. Tommy C. Cofield; Mr. A. C. "Bubba" Fennell; Mr. Miles Loadholt; Mr. Hubert F. Mobley; Dr. C. Dorn Smith III; Mr. Thad Westbrook; and Dr. Mitchell M. Zais.

Chair of the Faculty Senate Sandra Kelly and Student Government Association President Chase Mizzell were present. Also in attendance were Associate NCAA/SEC Representative for the University and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Faculty Athletics Representative, and Professor in the Department of Educational Leadership and Policies, College of Education, Zach Kelehear; Chairman of the Board of Directors, Gamecock Club, Chip Comer; President of the USC Lettermen's Association Gary Gregor; Chair, Athletics Advisory Committee, Charles F. Adams.

Others present were: President Harris Pastides; Secretary Amy E. Stone; Chief Financial Officer Edward L. Walton; General Counsel Walter (Terry) H. Parham; Vice President for Student Affairs and Vice Provost for Academic Support Dennis A. Pruitt; Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer William F. Hogue; Vice President for Human Resources Chris Byrd; Interim Vice President for Communications Wes Hickman; Interim Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations Susan Lee; Associate Vice President for Finance and Budget Director, Division of Finance and Planning, Leslie Brunelli; Vice Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Studies Helen I. Doerpinghaus; Chancellor of USC Aiken Sandra J. Jordan; Chancellor of USC Beaufort Jane T. Upshaw; Chancellor of Palmetto College Susan A. Elkins; Dean of USC Union Alice Taylor-Colbert; Chancellor of USC Upstate

Tom Moore; Director of Athletics Ray Tanner; Executive Associate Athletics Director Kevin O'Connell; Chief Financial Officer, Department of Athletics, Jeff Tallant; Associate Vice President for Administration, Division of Student Affairs and Academic Support, Stacey Bradley; Associate Vice President for Business and Finance and Medical Business Affairs Jeffrey L. Perkins; Executive Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Roger H. Sawyer; Director of the Department of Internal Audit Phil Iapalucci; Director of Academic Programs, Office of the Provost, Kristia H. Finnigan; Director of Capital Budgets and Financing, Division of Finance and Planning, Charlie Fitzsimons; Assistant Athletics Director, Ticket Operations, Lance Grantham; Assistant to the President J. Cantey Heath, Jr.; Chair of the Faculty Budget Committee, and Associate Professor in the Department of Sport and Entertainment Management, College of Hospitality, Retail and Sport Management, Thomas H. Regan; Director of State Relations Trey Walker; University Budget Director Harry Bell; Student Government Association Vice President Ryan Bailey; University Technology Services Production Manager Matt Warthen; and Board staff members Debra Allen and Terri Saxon.

Chairman Buyck called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone, and asked Board members to introduce themselves. Mr. Hickman introduced members of the media who were in attendance: Jody Barr, *WIS TV*; Scott Hood, *Gamecock Central*; Josh Kendall, *The State*; Amanda Coyne, *The State* and *The Daily Gamecock*; and Drew Brooks, *The Spartanburg Herald-Journal*.

Chairman Buyck said that notice of the meeting had been posted; the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act; the agenda and supporting materials circulated to the Committee; and a quorum was present to conduct business.

Chairman Buyck welcomed the Intercollegiate Athletics Committee representatives: Zach Kelehear; Chip Comer; Gary Gregor; and Charles F. Adams.

Academic Success 2012-13

Chairman Buyck called on Mr. Tanner who reported that the Spring 2013 student-athlete grade point average (GPA) of 3.198 was the thirteenth consecutive semester average above a 3.0 GPA. Also in Spring 2013, fifteen of seventeen teams maintained a GPA of 3.0 or better. The Fall 2012 GPA was 3.267.

In this time period, a total of 89 student-athletes graduated, including eighteen from Football. An additional sixteen student-athletes were on track to graduate in August.

In Fall 2012, the Football team had a record setting GPA of 2.918. In Spring 2013, five teams had record setting GPAs: Men's Basketball, 3.012; Women's Track, 3.446; Men's Soccer, 3.619; Women's

Tennis, 3.688; and Volleyball, 3.727. This year was the second time in history that the Men’s Basketball team GPA was over 3.0. Additional academic successes included:

- 140 Student-Athletes made the President’s List (requires 4.0 GPA)

Spring 2013	64 Student-Athletes had a 4.0 GPA
Fall 2012	76 Student-Athletes had a 4.0 GPA

- 322 Student-Athletes made the Dean’s List (requires a 3.5 GPA over 30 hours and a 3.25 GPA under 30 hours)

Spring 2013	157 Student-Athletes had a 3.5 or 3.25 GPA
Fall 2012	165 Student-Athletes had a 3.5 or a 3.25 GPA

- 711 Student-Athletes made the AD’s Honor Roll (requires 3.0 GPA)

Spring 2013	333 Student-Athletes had a 3.0 GPA
Fall 2012	378 Student-Athletes had a 3.0 GPA

Mr. Tanner explained that the Academic Progress Rate (APR) was a point system established by the NCAA based on scholarship student-athletes’ eligibility and retention, for a four-year period. Each student-athlete has the ability to earn two points per semester. The NCAA calculates team APR using the total points earned, divided by total points possible. He reported the Gamecock’s 2011-2012 APR statistics: all teams had a multi-year score of at least 959 (best ever); nine of nineteen sports matched or surpassed their highest mark in the seven year history of the APR; Football equaled its multi-year high score of 966; Men’s Basketball posted a multi-year high score of 983; Women’s Basketball posted a multi-year high score of 980; and seven teams posted a perfect single year APR of 1000.

In addition to their academic successes, Gamecock student-athletes logged 4,246 hours of community service during the 2012-2013 academic year.

Mr. Tanner commended Maria Hickman, Associate AD, Academics and Student Development, her staff, and the student-athletes for the academic successes.

Department of Athletics FY 2013-2014 Budget:

Mr. Jeff Tallant presented an overview of the FY 2013-2014 Athletics Department Budget.

\$20,324,500	Admissions/Ticket Sales	\$32,477,400	Personnel Services
\$19,200,000	NCAA/SEC Revenue	\$ 9,661,500	Grants-in-Aids
\$13,337,000	Gamecock Club Revenues	\$ 6,346,800	Facilities
\$ 9,383,000	Sponsorship and Royalties	\$ 5,635,400	Game Services
\$ 6,615,000	Gifts and Donations	\$ 5,560,600	General and Administrative
\$ 5,041,000	Premium Seat Payments	\$ 4,797,100	Team Travel
\$ 3,873,500	Ancillary Sales	\$ 4,194,000	Uniforms, Supplies & Equipment
\$ 3,712,800	Other Revenue	\$ 3,236,800	Other Services
\$ 2,310,000	Student Fees	\$ 1,638,000	Guarantees
\$ 306,500	Guarantees	\$ 1,126,500	Recruiting
		<u>\$ 634,300</u>	General Travel
\$84,103,300	Total Revenues	\$75,308,400	Total Expenditures
		\$ 8,384,500	Transfers

\$ 410,400 Projected-Net Increase
To Athletics Reserves
\$84,103,300

Budget highlights include: estimated \$13,165,438 (approximately 15 percent) in Reserves at FY end June 30, 2014 (this amount does not take into account the cost of the repairs to Carolina Stadium); an increase in the SEC TV contribution to the University from \$1 million to \$2 million; \$459,300 for a new sport – Sand Volleyball; \$1,095,400 for Football, Women’s and Men’s Basketball salary increases; and an Athletics Grants and Aid increase of \$438,100 for a total of \$9.66 million contributed by the Gamecock Club for athletic scholarships.

FY 2013/2014 Athletics Department Transfers

To/From University Auxiliary – Net	\$1,826,800	(Band, USC Law Enforcement, Sports Medicine; Football Shuttle
To University Scholarships – (Projected)	\$ 557,700	(\$250 General Scholarships \$307,000 – 2 nd \$5 Clemson Game)
To University SEC TV revenue	\$2,000,000	University Scholarships
To Athletics Department Debt Service	\$1,000,000	
To Reserve and Replacement Projects	\$1,250,000	Deferred Maintenance Projects
To Athletic Capital Projects	<u>\$1,750,000</u>	
Total Transfers (Net)	\$8,384,500	
Revenue over Expenditures and Transfers	\$ 410,400	

In FY 2013/2014 the Athletics Department will provide the University financial support as follows:

\$2,000,000	Scholarships – SEC/ESPN Television
\$ 615,344	Scholarships – Clemson Football Game (Projected)
\$ 375,000	Scholarships – Gamecock Club Matching Gifts from Foundation to University
\$ 250,000	Scholarships – Annual Transfer to University
\$ 650,000	Direct Cost Recovery – Annual Payment
\$ <u>350,000</u>	University Band Support/Away Game Tickets
\$4,142,344	Total Payments and Support to the University

Mr. Tallant stated that the Athletics Department largest revenue sources came from the SEC conference distribution and ticket sales.

The current Athletics Department Outstanding Debt as of June 2013 was \$121,915,000 with an annual debt service payment (current) of \$8,343,888. In Spring 2014, the indoor football facility will increase the debt by \$14,000,000 with an annual debt service payment (20 years at 4.75 percent) of \$1,099,707. After FY 2013/14 principal payments, the debt would be reduced by \$2,665,000. Therefore, the projected debt on June 30, 2014 is estimated at \$133,250,000 with an annual debt service payment projected for FY 2014/15 of \$9,443,595.

The FY 2013/14 \$8,343,888 debt service will derive from the following sources:

Football Bond Fee of \$8 per ticket (Increased from \$3 per ticket)	\$3,306,472
Men’s Basketball (\$4) and Women’s Basketball (\$1) Bond Fee per ticket	\$ 325,000

Student Facility Fee \$34.50 per semester	\$1,530,000
Athletics – (Operating/Debt Service Fund)	\$3,182,416

Following Mr. Tallant’s presentation, Chairman Buyck stated that this budget would be included in the University’s FY 2014 budget, which would be considered by the Executive Committee and by the full Board later in the day.

Athletic Success 2012-2013

Chairman Buyck called on Mr. Tanner who reported that the Baseball team had advanced to the NCAA Super Regionals for the fourth straight year, after winning the Columbia Regional. They have won twenty-seven consecutive postseason games at Carolina Stadium. Team member L. B. Dantzler was selected as the Capital One Academic All-American of the Year.

The following Gamecocks were drafted by Major League Baseball: Tyler Webb, New York Yankees; L. B. Dantzler and Brison Celek, Toronto Blue Jays; and Adam Westmoreland, Miami Marlins.

The National Football League drafted the following Gamecocks: Ace Sanders, Jacksonville Jaguars; Devin Taylor, Detroit Lions; Marcus Lattimore, San Francisco 49ers; DeVonte Holloman, Dallas Cowboys; T. J. Johnson, Cincinnati Bengals; Justice Cunningham, Indianapolis Colts; and D. J. Swearingen, Houston Texans.

Mr. Tanner reported on additional athletic successes.

Men’s Basketball – Coach Frank Martin was selected as an assistant coach for the USA Men’s World University Games Team.

Women’s Basketball – The team reached the second round of the NCAA Tournament; matched the University’s record for regular season wins (23); and set a University record with (11) SEC wins. Coach Dawn Staley will be inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in September.

Cross Country – The team finished tenth at the NCAA Regionals, their best finish since 1994, and logged the second-best GPA in the country.

Equestrian – The team won the inaugural SEC Championship with wins over Georgia and Auburn. Coach Boo Major was selected as the SEC Coach of the Year.

Football – The team won eleven games for the second straight season, a University record; and recorded the highest national finish in the University’s history, ranking seventh in the final USC/Today/ESPN Coaches poll. Steve Spurrier became the University’s all-time football coach with the most wins.

Men's Golf – The team finished second at the SEC Championships; tied for second at the NCAA Regionals; and finished tied for twenty-seventh at the NCAA Championships.

Women's Golf – The team finished fourth at the NCAA West Regionals and finished twentieth at the NCAA Championships.

Men's Soccer – Ten players were awarded the prestigious Conference USA Commissioner's Academic Medal for achieving a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or better.

Softball – The Carolina Softball Stadium opened and garnered an NCAA Tournament bid for the first time since 2007; and the team advanced to the championship round of the regionals.

Swimming and Diving – The teams earned four All-American honors (as the 800-meter freestyle team place) at the NCAA Championships. Amanda Rutqvist appeared in three-straight NCAA Championships. Head Swim Coach McGee Moody was named to the Team USA staff for the 2013 World University Games.

Men's Tennis – Defeated #8 Kentucky for the first win over a top-10 team since 2005; tied the school record with seven SEC wins; and reached the NCAA Tournament. Josh Goffi was selected as both the SEC and the Carolina Region Coach of the Year.

Women's Tennis – The team reached the NCAA Tournament for the ninetieth consecutive season.

Track and Field – Jeannelle Scheper broke the school record in the high jump. She finished fifth place in the high jump finals at the NCAA Outdoor Championships. Erika Rucker finished eighth place in the 400 meter dash finals at the NCAA Outdoor Championships. The women's team is ranked twenty-second in the country and secured nine NCAA bids, the most since 2006. Head coach Curtis Frye and assistant head coach Delethea Quarles were named to the coach staff for the 2013 World Outdoor Championships.

Mr. Tanner concluded his presentation by noting that all Spring sports qualified for post-season play and the Track and Field team for national finals.

Chairman Buyck thanked Mr. Tanner for his informative presentation and stated that this report was received as information.

V. SEC Annual Spring Meeting Report:

Chairman Buyck recognized President Pastides who reported on the SEC 2013 President and Chancellors Spring Meeting in Destin, Florida which was held May 29 – 31. Among topics discussed at the meeting was whether to add a ninth conference football game; a majority were not in favor of doing so.

The SEC Presidents and Chancellors committed to a review of football scheduling to be completed in time for preparation of the 2016 season.

Discussion ensued regarding revenue the University would begin receiving in Summer 2015, from the new ESPN/SEC contract. Dr. Floyd urged that the revenue be used to reduce the athletic debt. President Pastides responded that he was engaged in ongoing conversations with the Director of Athletics regarding potential uses for this revenue and that he planned to communicate their recommendation to the Committee.

Also discussed at the meeting were the SEC revenue sharing plan; and the issue of concussions, helmets, and penalties related to head shots.

VI. Other Matters:

Since there were no other matters to come before the Committee, Chairman Buyck declared the meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amy E. Stone". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "A".

Amy E. Stone
Secretary