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University of South Carolina
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 19, 2018

The University of South Carolina Board of Trustees met at 2:54 p.m. on Friday, October 19, 2018, in the Alumni Center's C. Edward Floyd Boardroom.

Members present were: Mr. John C. von Lehe Jr., Chairman; Mr. Hubert F. Mobley, Vice Chairman; Mr. Chuck Allen; Mr. Thomas C. Cofield; Mr. Robert F. Dozier Jr.; Mr. A. C. "Bubba" Fennell III; Dr. C. Edward Floyd; Mr. William C. Hubbard; Mr. Toney J. Lister; Mr. Miles Loadholt; Ms. Rose Buyck Newton; Dr. C. Dorn Smith III; Ms. Molly M. Spearman; Mr. Eugene P. Warr Jr.; Mr. Thad H. Westbrook; and Mr. Mack I. Whittle Jr. Joining by telephone were: Mr. J. Egerton Burroughs; Ms. Leah B. Moody; and Mr. Charles H. Williams. Absent was Mr. Mark W. Buyck, Jr.

Also present were USC Columbia Faculty Senate Chairman Marco Valtorta and USC Columbia Student Government President Taylor Wright.

Others present were: President Harris Pastides; Secretary J. Cantey Heath Jr.; General Counsel Walter "Terry" H. Parham; Provost Joan Gabel; Chief Operating Officer Edward L. Walton; Vice President for Student Affairs Dennis A. Pruitt; Chief Advancement Officer and Senior Advisor to the President Paula Harper Bethea; Vice President for Information Technology Doug Foster; Vice President for Human Resources Caroline Agardy; Chief Communications Officer Wes Hickman; Athletics Director Ray Tanner; Chief Audit Executive Pam Doran; USC Aiken Chancellor Sandra Jordan; USC Beaufort Chancellor Al Panu; Palmetto College Chancellor Susan Elkins; USC Upstate Chancellor Brendan Kelly; University Treasurer Pat Lardner; Director of State Government and Community Relations Derrick Meggie; Assistant to the President for System Affairs Eddie King; Director of Facilities Planning and Programming and University Architect Derek S. Gruner; Associate Dean of Academics, College of Hospitality, Retail and Sport Management, David A. Cárdenas; College of Engineering and Computing Dean Hossein Haj-Hariri; Senior Associate Dean of International Programs and Partnerships, Darla Moore School of Business, Kendall Roth; Department Chair and Professor of Integrated Information Technology, College of Engineering and Computing, Elizabeth Regan; Associate Provost for Academic Programs Tena B. Crews; Senior Associate Provost for Inclusion and Chief Diversity Officer John H.

Dozier; Co-Owner and Co-Publisher of *Insight Into Diversity* magazine Lenore Pearlstein; Cynthia Lister, wife of Trustee Toney Lister; University Technology Services Production Manager Matt Warthen; and Board staff members Debra Allen and Terri Saxon.

I. Call to Order

Chairman von Lehe called the meeting to order and stated notice of the meeting had been posted and the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act; the agenda and supporting materials had been circulated; and a quorum was present to conduct business. Secretary Heath confirmed Trustees joining the meeting by telephone.

Mr. Hickman introduced Hannah Dear with *The Daily Gamecock*.

Chairman von Lehe invited The Reverend Father Michael Platanis, representing USC's Orthodox Christian Fellowship, to deliver the invocation.

Motion for Executive Session

Chairman von Lehe requested a motion and second for an Executive Session for personnel matters related to the appointment of honorary academic titles, appointments with tenure, the awarding of honorary degrees, the election of a member to the Board of Visitors, and President Pastides' retirement.

Dr. Floyd made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Dozier. The vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Chairman von Lehe invited Secretary Heath and Mr. Parham to join voting Trustees in Executive Session. President Pastides left the room.

Executive Session

When there were no other matters appropriate for discussion in Executive Session, Chairman von Lehe declared the meeting returned to Open Session.

Return to Open Session

II. 2018 Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award

Taking agenda items out of order, Chairman von Lehe called on Chief Diversity Officer John Dozier to introduce a special guest who had a significant national recognition to present the University.

Dr. Dozier said the challenge to make the University more inclusive and more diverse is an ongoing journey. For years, *Insight into Diversity* magazine has been the only organization recognizing universities that are exemplars in doing this work. Here today to recognize the University of South Carolina with its seventh

Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award (HEED Award) is Ms. Lenore Pearlstein, president and co-owner of Potomac Publishing and co-publisher of *Insight into Diversity* magazine.

Ms. Pearlstein said she travels the country visiting schools to present the HEED Award and speak with college presidents and administrators about diversity and inclusion. *Insight into Diversity* magazine is the largest and oldest diversity magazine in higher education. She said the magazine advances the national conversation about diversity and inclusion through discussion of best practices, profiles of successful programs and initiatives on college campuses across the United States, and much more.

In 2012, she realized many institutions were doing great work in diversity and inclusion across their campuses; yet, no one was recognizing their accomplishments. Thus, the HEED Award was created and is the only application-based award for colleges and universities that demonstrate an outstanding commitment to diversity and inclusion throughout their campuses.

The HEED Award application is comprehensive and requires individuals from across a campus many weeks to complete, she said. Application questions relate to recruitment and retention, programs for underrepresented students and employees, best practices, leadership support, and many other aspects of campus diversity and inclusion. Each school receives two scores. The first is embedded in the application itself, the second is calculated after a committee reviews each application. In addition to the numbers, a wholistic approach – much like that used by admissions officers – is used to determine who receives the award. Current and future programming matters as much as past numbers, she said.

In 2018, a record number of applications were received – over 350 from all types of institutions. Of that number, only 96 schools were selected to receive the HEED Award. While the University of South Carolina is one of these 96 schools, it also is one of only 15 U.S. schools to be named a HEED institution since the inception of the award, making USC a seven-time winner – an impressive accomplishment, she said. The University also is the only SEC school on the list and the only school in South Carolina to be named a HEED Award recipient seven times.

Campus diversity cannot be accomplished by a single individual; it is a team effort that begins with support from leadership, Ms. Pearlstein said. “As Dr. Pastides’ 10-year tenure as president nears its conclusion next summer, his legacy must not only include his outstanding leadership as president, but also his tremendous support for all aspects of diversity and inclusion across this campus. We know he understands the value that a diverse and inclusive environment plays in creating a welcoming, safe and respectful campus for students as well as employees. This record run for the past seven years could not have happened without him.”

She also recognized the contributions of Dr. Dozier before presenting the 2018 HEED Award to President Pastides.

III. Approval of Minutes

- A. Executive Committee, June 22, 2018
- B. Board of Trustees, June 22, 2018
- C. Executive and Governance Committee, Called, July 11, 2018
- D. Ad Hoc Committee on Strategic Planning, Called, August 7, 2018
- E. Ad Hoc Committee on Honorary Degrees, Called, August 10, 2018
- F. Audit and Compliance Committee, August 17, 2018
- G. Executive and Governance Committee, Committee Appointments, August 17, 2018
- H. Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee, Audit and Compliance Committee, Buildings and Grounds Committee, Health Affairs Committee, Intercollegiate Athletics Committee, Student and System Affairs Committee, Election of Committee Chairs, August 17, 2018
- I. Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee, September 19, 2018
- J. Buildings and Grounds Committee, September 19, 2018
- K. Board of Trustees, Called, September 19, 2018

There being no additions, deletions or corrections, Chairman von Lehe said these 17 sets of minutes stood approved as submitted.

IV. Committee Reports (Consent Agendas)

Chairman von Lehe announced that in September, Trustees discussed testing of consent agendas for reports coming forward from Board committees. As a reminder, he said all reports and action items recommended for approval would be handled as a single motion from each committee. If a Trustee objects to an individual item being included, he asked a motion be made for the item to be pulled from the consent agenda so it could be discussed and voted on separately. The Board will address any item pulled from the consent agenda following acceptance of the committee's larger motion. He said he would ask the chair of the committee to come forward to address questions related to an item pulled from the consent agenda, if there should be one.

- A. Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee, September 19, 2018
(The Honorable Leah B. Moody, Chair)

The Academic Affairs and Faculty Liaison Committee met on September 19, 2018, and the committee recommends for approval all items listed on the consent agenda, which also have received the appropriate academic and administrative approvals.

There being no objections, Chairman von Lehe called for a vote and the motion passed approving the following from the committee's written report:

1. Honorary Academic Titles

For the title Professor Emerita:

Dorothy Disterheft

For the title Professor Emeritus:

Gregory B. Adams

For the title Distinguished Professor Emeritus:

Rayburn Barton

Charles L. Calvert

David Cowart

Andrew D. Gowan

Björn Kjerfve

James Knapp

Richard Maltz

Laszlo Marton

Thomas J. Rice

William Rivers

Gordon D. Sproul

Herbert M. Steele

Robert C. Thunell

Lemuel W. Watson

For the title Dean Emeritus:

Lemuel W. Watson

For the title Carolina Distinguished Professor Emeritus:

Jerrold Griggs

Robert C. Thunell

For the title Associate Dean Emeritus:

Andrew D. Gowan

2. Appointments with Tenure

Dr. Kim Thompson – Appointment with tenure at the rank of associate professor in the School of Library and Information Science of the College of Information and Communications.

Dr. Nükhet Varlik – Appointment with tenure at the rank of associate professor in the History Department of the College of Arts and Sciences.

3. USC Columbia: New Dual Degree Programs
 - a. PhD in Business Administration – EGADE Business School, Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey and Darla Moore School of Business (DMSB)
 - b. PhD in Management, FEN, Universidad de Chile; and PhD in Business Administration, DMSB
 - c. Advanced Master in Strategy and Management of International Business (SMIB), ESSEC Business School, France; and Master in International Business (MIB), DMSB
 - d. BS in Tourism Management or BS in Hospitality Management – Beijing International Studies University (BISU) and College of Hospitality, Retail and Sport Management
 - e. BS in Chemistry, Claflin University; and BS in Chemical Engineering, College of Engineering and Computing
 - f. BS in Electrical Engineering Technology, South Carolina State University; and BS in Electrical Engineering, College of Engineering and Computing
4. USC Columbia Articulation Agreement: Midlands Technical College (MTC) and College of Engineering and Computing
5. USC Columbia CIP Code Change: Master of Health Information Technology (MHIT)
6. USC Columbia Faculty Manual Changes
7. USC Aiken Program Terminations
 - c. BS in Industrial Mathematics
 - d. BA in Psychology
 - e. BA in English
8. USC Aiken Faculty Manual Changes
9. USC Upstate Program Termination: BA in Urban and Regional Studies
10. USC Upstate Program Name Change: From MEd in Teaching and Learning to MEd in Applied Learning and Instruction

In addition, the committee voted to return the proposed drafts of the University's Honorary Degree Policy (BTRU 2.01) to the Ad Hoc Committee on Honorary Degrees for further review. Board Chairman von Lehe also appointed two additional members (Mr. Charles H. Williams and Dr. C. Edward Floyd) to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee on Honorary Degrees.

The Annual Review of New Programs reports also were presented during the meeting.

- B. Buildings and Grounds Committee, September 19, 2018
(The Honorable William C. Hubbard, Chair)

Chairman von Lehe said the Buildings and Grounds Committee met on September 19, 2018 and the committee recommends for approval all items listed on the consent agenda. He reminded Trustees that five items were approved at a called meeting of the full Board on September 19, 2018, to

meet state regulatory deadlines. There being no objections, Chairman von Lehe called for a vote and the motion passed approving the following from the committee's written report:

The University hereby declares its official intent, pursuant to Federal Regulations, to reimburse itself from the amounts of proceeds of the tax-exempt bond issue.

1. Project Approvals: Other Approvals

- a. Kay and Eddie Floyd Football Building Renovation – to establish and fully fund this project with a budget of \$750,000 to be funded with Athletic Operating Funds.
- b. Capstone Flooring Replacement – to establish and fully fund this project with a budget of \$990,000 to be funded with Housing Maintenance Reserve.
- c. Green Quadrangle Interior Repainting – to establish and fully fund this project with a budget of \$850,000 to be funded with Housing Maintenance Reserve.
- d. Bates West Flooring Replacement – to establish and fully fund this project with a budget of \$650,000 to be funded with Housing Maintenance Reserve.
- e. Campus Fire Sprinkler Installation I – to establish and fully fund this project with a budget of \$975,000 to be funded with Institutional Capital Project Funds.
- f. Campus Building Exterior Envelope Maintenance III – to establish and fully fund this project with a budget of \$975,000 to be funded with Institutional Capital Project Funds.
- g. 1600 Hampton Street Parking Garage Maintenance Renovation II – to establish and fully fund this project with a budget of \$500,000 to be funded with Auxiliary Maintenance Reserve.
- h. Close-Hipp Event Space Renovation – to establish and fully fund this project with a budget of \$400,000 to be funded with Institutional Funds.
- i. USC Lancaster Maintenance and Repair Project – to establish and fully fund this project with a budget of \$2,300,000 to be funded with \$1,800,000 from the FY2019 State Capital Reserve Fund Appropriation and \$500,000 from State Lottery Funds.
- j. USC Sumter Science Lab Renovation II – to establish and fully fund this project with a budget of \$2,250,000 to be funded by the FY2019 State Capital Reserve Fund Appropriation.
- k. 2018 USC Columbia Campus Master Plan – to adopt the 2018 USC Columbia Campus Master Plan.

2. Gift Naming Opportunities: Athletics
 - a. Armond and Jacqueline Groves Bench
 - b. Brenan Family Coach's Locker Room
 - c. Calliham Family Assistant Strength Coach Office
 - d. Carol Bourne, Terry A. Hunt and Madeline Hunt Bench
 - e. Dr. Ronald S. Wilson Sports Medicine Office
 - f. Karen and Leon Ortner Leadership Wall
 - g. Moore Family Terrace
 - h. Moore Team Meeting Room
 - i. Nelson Fortson Assistant Coach Office
 - j. Nenie and Ed Pasky Nutrition Office – Amendment
 - k. Roof Lobby
 - l. Zane Christopher Family Head Coach's Office

Also, the committee approved three Phase I and two Phase II projects that were approved in a called full Board meeting September 19, 2018, in order to meet state regulatory approval process deadlines.

The committee received several planning updates, also.

C. Audit and Compliance Committee, October 19, 2018
(The Honorable Rose Buyck Newton, Chair)

Chairman von Lehe said the Audit and Compliance Committee met earlier in the day and a written summary had been submitted for review by Trustees. There being no objection, details from the written report, which includes no action items, are included below.

The Audit and Compliance Committee met on October 19, 2018, and Mr. Brian D'Amico with the audit firm of Elliott Davis presented the USC System Financial Statement Audit for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

Pam Doran, Chief Audit Executive, presented the Cybersecurity – State Information Security Standards Audit Report and the PeopleSoft Human Capital Management (HCM) Pre-implementation Review – Report I and said efforts were underway to address noted findings. Vice President for Information Technology Doug Foster also discussed delay of the HCM implementation.

In the Tracking Report, Ms. Doran said 6 of the 31 audit findings noted in August 2018 had been implemented. Of the remaining 25 findings, 10 had extended completion dates and 15 were not yet due. She reported efforts were underway to address the concerns in the remaining findings.

Ms. Doran provided a Conflicts of Interest Disclosure update, She reported no changes in her annual review of Board policies BTRU 1.06, Audit & Advisory Services and BTRU 1.18, Conflicts of Interest and Commitment.

The committee also received an IT overview from Mr. Foster. Chair Newton provided an updated copy of the Committee Matrix and asked the committee members to complete a self-assessment.

D. Executive and Governance Committee, October 19, 2018
(The Honorable John C. von Lehe, Jr., Chair)

The Executive and Governance Committee met October 19, 2018, and the committee recommends for approval all items listed on the consent agenda. There being no objection, Chairman von Lehe called for a vote and the motion passed approving the consent agenda action items and accepting the committee's written report as presented below.

1. Contracts Valued at \$750,000 and Above

a. USC Upstate Associate Athletics Director Appointment

As required by the Board of Trustees Bylaws, approval of the appointment of USC Upstate Head Women's Softball Coach Chris Hawkins to also serve as associate athletics director. The four-year appointment will provide an administrative supplement of \$10,000 in year one, which is pro-rated based on the contract year beginning June 1, 2018; \$15,000 in year two; and \$20,000 each in years three and four.

b. Roof Gift Agreement, Athletics Department

An agreement accepting a donation from Maxine and Victor Roof of \$1,500,000 to the Football Facilities Enhancement Fund to name the Roof Lobby in the Football Operations Center.

c. PASCAL Shared Library Services Agreement

Up to a five-year agreement valued at \$1,538,614 for access to online information resources and library services through PASCAL, a non-profit consortium of public and private academic libraries in South Carolina.

d. Gamecock Sports Properties, LLC Multi-Media Rights Agreement

An amendment to the existing multi-media rights agreement under which Gamecock Sports Properties (GSP) will advance the Athletics Department \$1 million from GSP's 2023-2024 through 2026-2027 Guaranteed Signage Expenditures for the purchase and installation of a new outfield videoboard for USC's baseball stadium, Founders Park, prior to the 2019 baseball season.

e. Blackbaud, Inc. Advancement CRM Software

A five-year, \$2,973,140 agreement with Blackbaud, Inc. for customer relationship management (CRM) software site license, support and training, and other services supporting donor management and strategic fundraising.

f. USC School of Medicine Greenville/Greenville Health System Memorandum of Understanding

Annual approval of Addendum A of the Master Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperation of Services Exchange between the USC School of Medicine Greenville and the Greenville Health System confirming the budgeted value of professional services and non-professional services to be provided by the Greenville Health System for 2018-2019 in the sum not to exceed \$13,334,199.

In other business at its meeting on October 19, 2018, the Executive and Governance Committee approved eight contracts with values between \$250,000 and \$750,000.

2. Contracts Valued from \$250,000 to \$750,000

a. SIOS Technology Corp. Software Gift

A software gift valued at \$475,000 to the College of Engineering and Computing from the SIOS Technology Corp. The SIOS iQ software is a next-generation IT analytics solution that applies advanced machine-learning technology to cut the time and effort needed to ensure delivery of critical application services.

b. Civitas Learning, Inc. Master Services Agreement

A five-year, \$600,000 master services agreement with Civitas Learning, Inc. for USC Beaufort to access a predictive analytics platform to help the campus build a strategic analytics infrastructure to increase retention, improve student completion and better utilize institutional resources.

c. USC Upstate Employment Agreement for Head Women's Softball Coach

Head Women's Softball Coach: A four-year agreement appointing Chris Hawkins Head Women's Softball Coach at USC Upstate, with an annual salary of \$74,852. The employment agreement includes the following incentive-based supplemental compensation: \$4,000 if named the Big South Conference Coach of the Year and \$4,000 if the softball team wins the Big South Conference regular season championship; \$4,000 if the softball team wins the Big South Conference Tournament Championship or \$2,500 if the team is an at-large selection to and participates in the NCAA

Regional Tournament; \$5,000 if the softball team advances to and participates in the NCAA Super Regional Tournament or \$10,000 if the softball team advances to and participates in the NCAA College World Series or \$25,000 if the softball team wins the NCAA College World Series. The employment agreement includes the University's standard termination language.

d. STM Charters, Inc. Flight Services Agreements

Two charter flight agreements, one each for the Men's and Women's Basketball Team's 2018-2019 season, with STM Charters, Inc. The agreement for the Men's Basketball Team is in the amount of \$580,600, while the agreement for the Women's Basketball Team totals \$404,500.

e. Moore Gift Agreements

Approved two gift agreements to the Athletics Department from Renee and William H. Moore, Jr. One is a \$250,000 donation to the Baseball Program Enhancement Fund to name a room in the baseball stadium, the Moore Team Meeting Room. The second is a \$500,000 donation to the Football Facilities Enhancement Fund to name a terrace at the Football Operations Center, the Moore Family Terrace.

f. Christopher Gift Agreement

Approved a gift agreement to the Athletics Department from Zane Christopher for a \$500,000 donation to the Football Facilities Enhancement Fund to name the head coach's office at the Football Operations Center, the Zane Christopher Family Head Coach's Office.

The committee also received a FY2018 year-end financial review from Chief Financial Officer Leslie Brunelli.

V. Board of Trustees Bylaws Amendments: Miscellaneous Updates

Chairman von Lehe said several miscellaneous updates to the Board of Trustees Bylaws were placed on the table at the Board's meeting on August 17, 2018. He called for discussion. There was no discussion and he called for a vote on the motion to approve the miscellaneous updates as previously made on behalf of the Executive and Governance Committee. The vote was taken, and the motion passed.

VI. Presidential Candidate Search Committee

On behalf of the Executive and Governance Committee, Chairman von Lehe moved approval of the following Trustees to serve on the Presidential Candidate Search Committee, with Mr. Mobley serving as chair: William C. Hubbard; Hubert F. Mobley; Leah B. Moody; C. Dorn Smith III, M.D.; and Eugene P. Warr, Jr. In addition to these five, the Executive and Governance Committee

recommends two special advisors to the search committee: Trustees Mark Buyck and Miles Loadholt.

He called for discussion. There was no discussion and he called for a vote. The vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Chair von Lehe said joining Trustees on the committee will be:

Faculty

1. Dr. Marco Valtorta, Chair, USC Columbia Faculty Senate
2. Faculty member elected by USC Columbia Faculty Senate, to be determined
3. Faculty member elected by Comprehensive Universities and Regional Palmetto Colleges, to be determined

Student

- Taylor Wright, USC Columbia Student Government President

Alumni Representative

- Robert F. Dozier, Jr., President of My Carolina Alumni Association

Foundations Representative

- Mr. William C. "W.C." Hammett, Jr., Chair, USC Development Foundation

VII. Election of Member to the Board of Visitors

Chairman von Lehe called for a motion and second to approve the USC Columbia Faculty Senate nomination of Dr. August "Augie" E. Grant as the Faculty Representative on the Board of Visitors. Dr. Smith made the motion and Mr. Cofield seconded the motion. The vote was taken, and the motion was approved, with Chairman von Lehe noting Dr. Grant's three-year term will end August 31, 2021.

VIII. Report of the USC Columbia Student Government President

Chairman von Lehe called on Mr. Wright, who said he would defer his report.

IX. Report of the President

Chairman von Lehe called on President Pastides who said:

Good evening, everyone, and good riddance to Hurricane's Florence and Michael. Our universities weathered these storms better than the harshly affected communities of North and South Carolina and we are back on track academically.

As everybody knows, a special Senate committee convened on Wednesday (Oct. 17) to hold hearings on the Higher Education Opportunity Act. Thanks to many of you who are here today who joined in that meeting.

I'm very optimistic about that bill – it's rooted in fairness. It represents the most significant step forward in higher education policy and funding in more than a decade.

The hearing was a good start and we look forward to a follow up hearing next Tuesday. We would look forward to freezing our tuition next year if this act, of course, gets passed.

We have exciting news from around the USC System. We

opened our new Digital Transformation Lab on September 27, inaugurating a partnership with IBM, Samsung, Siemens and Yaskawa. It was a beautiful event and I urge every Board member when possible to go over to the McNair Center to see this amazing Digital Transformation Lab. It is a place where these companies will be bringing their customers from all over the world to see high-end robotics and other material developments there working side by side with students and faculty.

We also had a great South Carolina Aerospace Conference last week. I had the pleasure of kicking off the conference – introducing Major General Charles Bolden and moderating a panel. It was attended by hundreds of people from all over the country. We are squarely on America's aerospace map and on Boeings aerospace map; and the McNair Center is winning accolades from near and far.

A few other shout outs. USC Aiken welcomed their first class into the new Aiken Scholar's Academy. These are very bright high school students who will enter USC Aiken, studying on campus as college students in their junior year of high school. Another great collaboration with the South Carolina State Department of Education. Can you imagine how much this will reduce the cost of their college degree; by nearly half.

USC Beaufort will be celebrating a ribbon cutting for their Hilton Head Island campus on November 14. I look forward to being there. Hilton Head becomes the first new USC campus since our Medical School opened in Greenville five years ago.

Earlier this month, USC Upstate presented its two newest colleges, the Colleges of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, and the College of Science and Technology – building two smaller, cohesive units to better serve the needs of students and the Upstate community.

Our regional Palmetto Colleges have exceeded their highest, full-time freshman enrollment in over a decade, topping 1,000 new enrollees this semester.

Here in Columbia, the Arnold School of Public Health was ranked No. 6 among all public schools of public health in the country and No. 10 overall – that includes Harvard, Hopkins, Emory and others – in the new (Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health 2017) peer ratings. Additionally, we are now the second largest public health school in the United States.

Congratulations to our College of Nursing – led by Dean Andrews. Their 2018 class received a 100% pass rate on the national licensure exam, with the national average about 89%.

And finally, if you haven't heard, South Carolina Honors College was once again chosen as the top honors college in the nation.

I'll just end with this. At my State of the University address on October 3, I highlighted what I hope will be a 10-year vision for the university. I said that 10 years from now, we will be even more affordable – hopefully with state support, but also through Palmetto College and On Your Time. We will have a new School of Medicine and Health Sciences campus in Columbia; a state-of-the-art Campus Village; a second student union; a more pedestrian friendly campus; greater system unity

and strength; and will continue to advance a positive and diverse culture; and grow more public-private partnerships.

So, 10 years from now, we will be an even better university than today – stronger and more impactful. Because we must be – and because of you the Board of Trustees and everyone else on our campus.

Chairman von Lehe thanked President Pastides for his report and called for any other matters to come before the Board.

X. Adjournment

With no other matters to come before the committee, Chairman von Lehe declared the meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Cantey Heath, Jr.
Secretary