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University of South Carolina  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Called Meeting

April 8, 2022

The University of South Carolina Board of Trustees convened in a called meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, April 8, 2022 by Microsoft Teams video conference hosted from room 206B of the Osborne Administration Building.

Members participating in person were Dr. C. Dorn Smith III, Chair; and Mr. Thad H. Westbrook, Vice Chair. Members participating by Microsoft Teams video conference were Mr. C. Dan Adams, Mr. Alex English, Mr. Brian C. Harlan, Mr. Richard A. Jones Jr., Mr. Toney J. Lister, Mr. Miles Loadholt, Mr. Hubert F. Mobley, Ms. Emma W. Morris, Ms. Rose Buyck Newton, Mr. Robin D. Roberts, Ms. Molly M. Spearman, and Mr. John C. von Lehe Jr. Mr. J. Egerton Burroughs, Dr. C. Edward Floyd, Ms. Leah B. Moody, Mr. Mack I. Whittle, and Mr. Charles H. Williams were absent.

Also participating by Microsoft Teams were USC Columbia Faculty Senate Chair Dr. Audrey Korsgaard and USC Columbia Student Body President Ms. Reedy Newton.

Others present in the room were Interim President Harris Pastides, Secretary Cameron Howell, General Counsel Terry Parham, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Ed Walton, Vice President for Student Affairs and Vice Provost Dennis Pruitt, IT Production Manager Matt Warthen, Senior Public Relations Manager Dana Woodward, and Board of Trustees support staff Cary Graham.

## **OPEN SESSION**

### I. Call to Order

Chair Smith called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance. Secretary Howell confirmed Trustees attending by Microsoft Teams video conference. Chair Smith called on Senior Public Relations Manager Dana Woodward to introduce members of the press. Ms. Woodward announced David Cloninger with the *Post & Courier*, Corey Diaz with USC Today network, Michael Lananna with the *State*, and Collyn Taylor with Gamecock Central were on the press line.

Chair Smith 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 to the Board, and a quorum was present to conduct business.

## **MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chair Smith stated there was a need for an Executive Session to discuss matters regarding an Athletics contract for employment of an assistant men's basketball coach. Mr. Harlan made the motion to enter Executive Session and Mr. von Lehe seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

Chair Smith stated no action would be taken in Executive Session and invited the following to remain: Trustees, Interim President Pastides, Secretary Howell, Dr. Korsgaard, Ms. Reedy Newton, Mr. Parham, Mr. Walton, Mr. Tanner, Dr. Pruitt, Mr. Warthen, and Ms. Graham.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

– Executive Session Removed

## **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

### II. Approval of Contract for Athletics Coach

Chair Smith called for a motion to approve the assistant men's basketball coach employment contract for Tanner Bronson as posted to the Board portal and presented in Executive Session. Mr. Jones made the motion, and Ms. Morris seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously. Chair Smith stated that a summary of the contract terms for assistant men's basketball Coach Tanner Bronson would be provided to the media.

III. Approval of Minutes

Chair Smith stated seven sets of minutes were listed on the agenda and posted to the Board portal. There being no additions, deletions, or corrections to the minutes, he called for a motion to approve the minutes as distributed. Mr. Westbrook made the motion, and Ms. Spearman seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously.

IV. Adjournment

There being no other matters on the called meeting agenda, Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cameron Howell  
Secretary