

**Minutes**  
**Coastal Carolina University**  
**Board of Trustees**

**Government Affairs Committee**  
**E. Craig Wall Jr. Board Room**  
**October 20, 2016**

**Committee Members Present:** Mr. Samuel H. Frink, Mr. William L. Lyles Jr.,  
Mr. Daniel W. R. Moore Sr., and Mr. George E. Mullen

**Committee Members Not Present:** Ms. Natasha M. Hanna and Mr. Marion B. Lee

**Other Board Members Present:** Mr. William S. Biggs, Mr. D. Wyatt Henderson, Mr. Carlos C. Johnson, Mr. Charles E. Lewis, Dr. Oran P. Smith, and Mr. William E. Turner III

**Others Present:** Ms. Stacie A. Bowie, Dr. J. Ralph Byington, Ms. Nedy Campbell, Mr. Josh Chesson, Ms. Lori Church, Dr. David A. DeCenzo, Ms. Martha S. Hunn, Mr. Timothy E. Meacham, Ms. Jennifer Packard, Mr. William M. Plate Jr., Dr. Michal H. Roberts, Ms. V. Chyrel Stalvey, Mr. John Vrooman, and Ms. Kathy T. Watts

(In accordance with the requirements of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, the news media were notified of the time, location, and agenda for the meeting.)

Chairman Larry Lyles brought the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Dan Moore moved to approve the August 11, 2016, Government Affairs Committee minutes. Sam Frink seconded, and the motion passed.

President David DeCenzo stated that Mark Kelley, Ambassador David Wilkins of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, LLP, and he had spent two days discussing Coastal Carolina's needs in Columbia with the legislature.

Dean/Vice President for Research and Emerging Initiatives Mike Roberts reported that Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, LLP, has arranged to have Senators Lindsey Graham and Tim Scott staffers come on campus in November to meet with the deans and faculty to discuss needed initiatives, with special emphasis on a grant endowment for the humanities.

Roberts reported that the Conway 5T innovation group have reached an agreement to be the agent for microloans throughout the statewide organization. This will be especially effective with the recent Hurricane disaster in Horry and Georgetown counties.

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DeCenzo reported that next week begins the first of three budget presentations with the governor's staff for 2017 in Columbia. In the spring there will be the House and Senate budget presentations.

The College of Charleston, Francis Marion University and Coastal Carolina is working together to have a law amended to allow offering additional doctorates, especially in the college of education.

There seems to be some talk in Columbia to pilot the concept of a covered university.

As there was no further business, Larry Lyles moved to adjourn and Dan Moore seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

*Chyrel Stalvey*

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Recorder