Minutes
Coastal Carolina University
Board of Trustees

Student Affairs and Retention Committee
E. Craig Wall Jr. Board Room
August 2, 2018

Committee Members
Mr. John H. Bartell Jr., Ms. Natasha M. Hanna, Mr. Daniel W.R. Moore Sr., Mr. George E. Mullen, Mr. Patrick S. Sparks, Dr. Oran P. Smith, and Mr. William E. Turner III

Present:

Other Board
Mr. D. Wyatt Henderson, Mr. Carlos C. Johnson, Mr. Charles E. Lewis, Mr. William L. Lyles Jr., Mr. Daniel W. R. Moore Sr., and Mr. Eugene C. Spivey, and Dr. Samuel J. Swad

Members Present:

Others Present:
Ms. Sandra Baldridge-Adrian, Ms. Katherine M. Brooks, Ms. Susan M. Butcher, Dr. Brian Bunton, Dr. J. Ralph Byington, Ms. Nedy Campbell, Ms. Julie M. Cheney, Mr. Joshua M. Chesson, Dr. Debbie C. Conner, Ms. Julianne H. Cooke, Ms. Amanda E. Craddock, Dr. Melvin D. Davis, Dr. David A. DeCenzo, Dr. Daniel J. Ennis, Mr. D’Andre Fletcher, Mr. Samuel H. Frink, Mr. David A. Frost, Ms. Kasey D. Harrington, Mr. Matthew L. Hogue, Dr. Sara N. Hottinger, Ms. Jennifer H. Hughes, Ms. Martha S. Hunn, Ms. Jasmine Jackson, Dr. Edward Jadallah, Mr. Christopher A. Johnson, Ms. Robyn A. Jones, Mr. Timothy E. Meacham, Mr. T. Rein Mungo, Mr. Travis E. Overton, Ms. Jennifer Packard, Mr. William M. Plate Jr., Dr. Barbara A. Ritter, Mr. Mark A. Roach, Dr. Michael H. Roberts, Dr. Renée Smith, Ms. V. Chyrel Stalvey, Mr. Bryan Steros, Mr. John Vrooman, and Mr. David Yancey

(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. No media were in attendance.)

Chairman Dan Moore brought the Student Affairs & Retention Committee meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Will Turner moved to approve the May 3, 2018 Student Affairs & Retention Committee meeting minutes. George Mullen seconded and noted that he was in attendance at the meeting but was not included in the minutes. With that correction noted, the motion carried.
Vice President Debbie Conner introduced the new Student Government Association (SGA) President D’Andre Fletcher and Executive Vice President Jasmine Jackson. Fletcher stated that he would like the theme of his presidency to be “go forward living within the realm of possibility.” He is looking forward to attending the SGA Presidents’ Summit in August to learn new ideas to help him be more successful in his position.

Conner reported that orientation had been very successful in the summer with a great deal of parents and other family members attending. As a result, a Future Chant Program is being developed to be held during orientation for family members from the ages of 5-17.

A new LiveWell initiative will be introduced to students this fall promoting the holistic well-being of students, faculty, and staff by connecting them to resources that support healthy and sustainable lifestyles. This is especially geared to students in the 110 program. The LiveWell office will offer educational presentations to classes, student organizations and other groups on a variety of wellness topics.

Provost Ralph Byington reported the two major initiatives of learning resources and availability is being stressed on campus. Often students are not quite prepared to balance campus life and studying and lose their scholarships. The proposed academic enhancement building will include a resource center that will be very important to increase retention and have more successful students. We now have academic coaches to help the students learn study skills and how to take tests.

He noted that the student achievement funding which is being used in various initiatives to help students be more successful has produced good results. It expected that the retention rate will be about 71% which is up a point or point and a half from last year.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

V. Chyrel Stalvey

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Recorder