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Intercollegiate Athletics Committee

September 13, 2019

The Intercollegiate Athletics Committee of the University of South Carolina Board of Trustees met at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, September 13, 2019, in the C. Edward Floyd Boardroom at the Pastides Alumni Center.

Members present were: Mr. Mack I. Whittle Jr., Chairman; Mr. Chuck Allen; Mr. J. Egerton Burroughs; Mr. Toney J. Lister; Mr. Miles Loadholt; Mr. Eugene P. Warr Jr.; Mr. Thad Westbrook; Mr. Charles H. Williams; Mr. John C. von Lehe Jr., Board Chairman; and Mr. Hubert F. Mobley, Board Vice Chairman.

Other Trustees present were: Mr. C. Dan Adams; Mr. Robert F. Dozier Jr.; Mr. A.C. "Bubba" Fennell III; Dr. C. Edward Floyd; Mr. William C. Hubbard; Mr. Richard A. Jones Jr.; Ms. Leah B. Moody; Ms. Rose Buyck Newton; and Dr. C. Dorn Smith III.

Also present were: Strategic Advisor David Seaton; University Faculty Athletics NCAA/SEC Representative Valinda Littlefield; University Athletics Advisory Committee Chair Peter Bineve; USC Columbia Faculty Senate Chair Mark Cooper; and USC Columbia Student Government President Luke Rankin.

Others present were: President Robert L. Caslen Jr.; Secretary J. Cantey Heath Jr.; General Counsel Walter "Terry" H. Parham; Interim Provost Tayloe Harding; Senior Vice President for Administration and Chief Operating Officer Edward L. Walton; Vice President for Student Affairs Dennis A. Pruitt; Vice President for Human Resources Caroline Agardy; Senior Advisor to the President for Advancement Paula Harper Bethea; President and Chief Executive Officer of University Foundations Jason Caskey; Interim Chief Communications Officer Jeff Stensland; Interim Chief Development Officer Will Elliott; Athletics Director Ray Tanner; USC Aiken Chancellor Sandra Jordan; Palmetto College Chancellor Susan Elkins; USC Upstate Chancellor Brendan Kelly; University Treasurer Pat Lardner; University Controller Mandy Kibler; University Budget Director Joe Sobieralski; College of Engineering and Computing Dean Hossein Haj-Hariri; Deputy Athletics Director for Internal Operations and Risk Management Judy Van Horn;

Executive Associate Athletics Director for Academics and Senior Woman Administrator Maria Hickman; Senior Associate Athletics Director, Ticketing and Customer Relations, Lance Grantham; Senior Deputy Athletics Director Chance Miller; Associate Athletics Director for Sports Medicine John Kasik; Associate Vice President for Administration and Finance and Medical Business Affairs Jeffrey L. Perkins III; Associate Vice President for Finance Kelly Epting; Executive Director of Military Programs and Strategies, Palmetto College, James Smith; Executive Director for the Office of Economic Engagement William D. “Bill” Kirkland; Chief Executive Officer My Carolina Alumni Association Wes Hickman; Chief Diversity Officer and Senior Associate Provost for Inclusion, Office of Diversity and Inclusion, John H. Dozier; Vice Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Studies Sandra Kelly; University Architect, Associate Vice President of Facilities Planning, Design and Construction Derek S. Gruner; Director of Capital Budgets and Financing Charlie FitzSimons; Chief Audit Executive Pam Doran; Equal Opportunity Programs Director Clifford Scott; Executive Director for Strategic Initiatives Jack Claypoole; Director of Government Relations Craig H. Parks; Associate Professor, College of Social Work, and Faculty Welfare Committee Chair Bethany Bell; Assistant to the President for System Affairs Eddie King; Administrative Coordinator, Department of Athletics, Jessica Allison; J. S. Tate, architect with Watson Tate Savory; Steve Anderson, guest of Trustee Fennell; University Technology Services Production Manager Matt Warthen; and Board staff members Debra Allen and Ina Wilson.

I. Call to Order

Chairman Whittle called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone and invited those at the table to introduce themselves. Secretary Heath confirmed no Trustees were on the telephone. Mr. Stensland introduced Andrew Ramspacher with *The State* newspaper; David Cloninger and Mike Fitts with the *Post and Courier* newspaper; Collyn Taylor with Gamecock Central; Josh Kendall with *The Athletic*; Emily Correll with WLTX-TV; Meghan Crum with *The Daily Gamecock*; and Genna Contino with *Carolina News & Reporter*.

Chairman Whittle said 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 provided to the committee; and a quorum was present to conduct business.

II. Athletics Director’s Report

Chairman Whittle called on Mr. Tanner who reported the day before our Women’s Soccer team defeated the University of Notre Dame to remain undefeated and our Women’s Volleyball team defeated Clemson for the 5th consecutive time. Other athletic achievements included 22nd national

placement in the final 2018-19 Learfield/IMG Sports Directors' Cup standings and clinching the 2018-19 Palmetto Series for the fourth consecutive year by earning 9.5 points, while Clemson earned 4.5 points. The award is based on overall success in head-to-head competition and academics.

Women's Head Basketball Coach Dawn Staley and Men's Head Basketball Coach Frank Martin were recognized in early September at the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts. Coach Staley was named the winner of the 2019 Mannie Jackson – Basketball's Human Spirit Award. The award is given annually to an individual who has found the game of basketball to be a contributing aspect to their personal growth and accomplishment, a place to develop an understanding of others, and an avenue that helped shape that individual's growth into a recognized visionary and leader. Coach Martin joined the Naismith Coaches Circle. Mr. Tanner said the Coaches Circle program was created by the Hall of Fame to recognize those coaches who have impacted their communities, players, other coaches, and society in a positive manner.

He reported, 47,422 season football tickets had been sold thus far for the 2019 season, with the Alabama game a sell out and sell outs expected for the Kentucky and Clemson games. Also, thus far in the Fall 2019 semester, 64% of the student body and 81% of the freshman class claimed tickets for at least one athletic event. Women's Soccer, Volleyball, and Men's Soccer attained national attendance records with Women's Soccer ranked 2nd.

Mr. Tanner recognized Ms. Judy van Horn, who he said spearheaded the Gamecock Sports Science Network initiative, recognized in the SEC and nationally. Mr. Tanner shared several videos about the network, which he said is committed to providing more resources and skilled health professionals for student-athletes through sports medicine, strength training and conditioning, orthopedic surgery, mental health, sports science, mental performance and nutrition.

The goal of the network is to ensure the highest quality medical care, while being mindful of student-athletes, coaches, and health care providers' needs and aspirations. The mental health team includes a psychiatrist, sports wellness coordinator, three psychologists, and a sport performance psychologist. USC is the only school in the SEC with in-house psychological testing for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and Learning Disabilities (LD). Efforts continue to identify and improve processes to decrease the stigma of mental health and to increase access to mental health services to improve the overall wellness of student-athletes, he said.

Mr. Tanner's report included a statistical representation of the student-athletes currently in each of the 16 South Carolina judicial circuits. Trustee Hubbard from the 5th Judicial Circuit, representing

Richland and Kershaw Counties, had the largest USC student-athlete representation at 24.

Mr. Tanner concluded his presentation by showing a video of Gamecock athletes in action.

In response to questions, Mr. Tanner said Gamecock athletics' facilities were superb and Mr. Kasik explained the specific medical coverage provided student-athletes. Trustee Allen asked the amount the University paid Charleston Southern to play the Gamecocks on September 7. Mr. Tanner said he thought \$450,000. In response to Trustee Burroughs questions, Mr. Tanner briefly commented on the national movement to pay student-athletes, noting he did not see how it would work. Mr. Miller also responded to questions as discussion ensued.

Chairman Whittle said this report was received as information.

III. Other Matters

Chairman Whittle called for any other matters to come before the committee.

IV. Adjournment

Chairman Whittle declared the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Cantey Heath, Jr.
Secretary