The North Carolina State University Board of Trustees met in regular session in the Hood Board Room of the Dorothy and Roy Park Alumni Center on Centennial Campus, Raleigh, NC, on Wednesday July 15, 2015.

Members present: Robert F. Andrews  
Thomas E. Cabaniss  
Jimmy D. Clark  
Ann B. Goodnight  
Benjamin P. Jenkins III  
Stanhope A. Kelly  
Wendell H. Murphy  
James W. Owens  
Ronald W. Prestage, DVM  
Randall C. Ramsey  
Susan P. Ward  
Dewayne N. Washington  
Khari Cyrus, ex officio

Chair Jenkins called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. He reminded all members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts of interest under the State Government Ethics Act and inquired as to whether there were any known conflicts of interest or appearances of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the board at this meeting. Chair Jenkins called on Assistant Secretary PJ Teal for the roll call.

ROLL CALL  
Assistant Secretary PJ Teal called roll and certified that a quorum was present.

MINUTES  
Dr. Owens made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Ward, to approve the open and closed session minutes of the April 17, 2015 meeting of the full board. The motion passed.

OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEW MEMBERS  
Chair Jenkins introduced Judge Paul Ridgeway, Superior Court Judge, to administer the oath of office to new members, Chip Andrews, Khari Cyrus, Ann Goodnight, Stan Kelly and Dewayne Washington.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS – Acting Nominating Committee Chair Wendell Murphy  
Mr. Murphy reported that the nominating committee reviewed the slate that was announced at the April 2015 meeting given that not everybody on the slate was reappointed. The Committee unanimously recommended the following slate of officers for 2015-2016:

Jim Owens, Chair  
Jimmy Clark, First Vice Chair  
Tom Cabaniss, Second Vice Chair  
Ann Goodnight, Secretary  
P.J. Teal, Assistant Secretary

Mr. Murphy made a motion for the approval of the new slate of officers. It was seconded by Dr. Prestage. The motion passed.
CHAIR’S REPORT - Jim Owens
Chair Owens thanked Mr. Jenkins for his hard work as Chairman, and he thanked the Board for their support. He noted that he would send out the committee assignments tomorrow.

Chair Owens gave an Executive Committee update. He stated that he asked Mr. Ben Jenkins to chair the compensation committee of the Executive Committee. He reported that the Executive Committee approved the appointment of Dr. Alan Rebar, as the new Vice Chancellor for Research, Innovation, and Economic Development, effective August 31. The Executive Committee also approved conferral of tenure for Dr. Rebar at the rank of Professor in the Department of Population Health and Pathobiology, College of Veterinary Medicine. He reported that Dr. Rebar comes from his post, as the senior associate vice president for research, executive director of Discovery Park and professor of clinical pathology at Purdue University and has a successful leadership track record and has directed the tremendous growth of Purdue’s Discovery Park.

Chair Owens took a moment to discuss committee assignments and noted that he has done his best to take into consideration preferences, as much as possible. The committees benefit from having a combination of experienced veterans and fresh eyes, maintaining continuity and bringing new perspectives to the table. Chair Owens stated that he hopes trustees will take the opportunity to work on all four committees and in doing so contribute across the board to the success of NC State.

Chair Owens reported that the Board of Trustees has two seats on the Endowment Board – one is held by the Chair, and the other by the Chair of the Advancement Committee. He reported that the Board of Trustees for the Endowment Fund has selected the Conservation Fund, supported by the law firm of Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan, to manage land-use negotiations for Hofmann Forest. He stated that this group was chosen from among 14 submissions and brings deep experience and decades of achievement in environmental protection and economic vitality.

Chair Owens referred to the strategic plan and that he is looking forward to furthering the goals outlined in the plan.

CHANCELLOR’S REPORT – Randy Woodson
Chancellor Woodson began by giving a commencement update. He reported that 5,392 degrees – 103 associates, 3,703 bachelor’s, 1,329 master’s, 178 doctoral and 79 Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degrees - were awarded. A total of 138 valedictorians were recognized for earning perfect 4.0 grade-point averages during their academic careers at NC State. With the 3,462 degrees conferred last December, NC State awarded a total of 8,854 degrees in the 2014-15 academic year.

Chancellor Woodson reported that there will be 4250 new freshman this fall, and he noted the following statistics:

- Average SAT (Critical Reading + Math) is 1243.
- Average ACT is 27.6.
- Average HS GPA is 4.44.
- 51% are in the top 10% of their high school class.
- 16.3% are out-of-state or international.
- 48% are female.

Chancellor Woodson reported that in the College of Education, Dr. Mary Ann Danowitz agreed to serve as interim dean, as the university conducts a national search for that position. She began serving in that capacity at the beginning of July 2015. He reported that deans’ searches are underway for the positions in the College of Textiles, Poole College of Management, and soon, a search will be launched for the College of Education and for the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration. Chancellor Woodson stated that Dr. William Ditto will be the new Dean for the College of Sciences taking over for Dan Solomon, who is retiring after more than 30 years. Dr. William Ditto is currently dean of the College of
Natural Resources at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, where he is also a professor of physics and astronomy.

Chancellor Woodson reported that Dr. Alan Rebar will be the new Vice Chancellor for Research, Innovation and Economic Development. He stated that Dr. Rebar is internationally recognized for his work in clinical laboratory medicine, with areas of expertise in comparative hematology, diagnostic cytology and toxicologic pathology. Dr. Rebar will be on campus and in place by early September. Chancellor Woodson thanked Mladen Vouk for his leadership as Interim Vice Chancellor for the Office of Research, Innovation and Economic Development.

Chancellor Woodson reminded the Board that Mr. Charlie Leffer, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, is retiring this fall. He noted that there will be a national search for that position.

Chancellor Woodson stated that searches for faculty to join the eight new clusters in the Chancellor's Faculty Excellence Program will begin soon. He noted that shortly selections of cohort No. 4 of the University Faculty Scholars Program will be underway. This program recognizes and rewards emerging academic leaders among our faculty.

Chancellor Woodson took a moment to honor and remember former Chancellor Bruce Poulton, who passed away on June 19 at age 88. He was NC State’s 10th chief executive officer and was an important part of many of NC State’s successes. He noted that he had an instrumental role in the master planning for and development of Centennial Campus. He also led a major expansion of the university’s research budget. Among his other achievements were the broadening of NC State’s liberal arts offerings, the expansion of the College of Textiles and celebration of the university’s 100th anniversary in 1987.

Chancellor Woodson reported that the new B.S. in Biomedical and Health Sciences Engineering joint degree with UNC-Chapel Hill has been approved. UNC Chapel Hill students can begin to participate in Chapel Hill’s portion of the program in Fall 2015. He reported that a MOU was signed recently for new NC Central & NC State Dual Degrees. They are a B.S. in Electrical Engineering and B.S. in Physics.

Chancellor Woodson reported that this fall is the launch of new University College. The University College will promote the academic success of all students, and especially exploratory and transitional students. University College brings together the First Year College, unaffiliated academic departments in the Division of Academic and Student Affairs (DASA), interdisciplinary undergraduate degree programs not currently housed in a college and provides an administrative home for interdisciplinary minors and certificates not currently housed in a college. The University College provides a home for exploratory and transitional students, promotes the academic success of all students, including high-achieving students, who benefit from academic advising, tutoring, honors, scholars, undergraduate research and other University College high impact programs. It also aligns the operational oversight of unaffiliated academic departments and programs in DASA. The University College will help with Goal 1 of NC State’s Strategic Plan - To enhance the success of our students through educational innovation.

Chancellor Woodson provided a Talley Student update. He reported that after more than two years of renovation, Talley Student Union is open for all to see. He noted that Talley has already become a destination for students and visitors to gather at NC State, but there’s more to do so that it will be fully functional when students return in the fall. When the student union is fully finished it will house a variety of dining options, including the new 1887 Bistro. Talley will also be the new home of the LGBT Center, Multicultural Student Affairs, Student Government, Greek Life, and the University Bookstore along with many of the other services that make student life at NC State exceptional.

Chancellor Woodson stated that Reynolds Coliseum renovations have been underway for three months and are on schedule. Over 3,000 seats have been removed, and are for sale as souvenirs. He reported that the renovations have unearthed quite a bit of history and that the most iconic is the Tartan floor with the unique Block S, which was the trademark of the Coliseum after the Wolfpack’s first National
Chancellor Woodson shared some statistics from the Alumni Association. He reported that in the last five years, membership in the Alumni Association has grown by 25 percent, revenue is up 20 percent, every affinity contract has been renegotiated with significant revenue increases and their quasi endowment has grown from about $3 million to almost $8 million.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

University Affairs Committee- Susan Ward

Chair Ward reported that the committee recommended several degree-related items that require approval by the full board. The committee recommended discontinuation of three degree programs. The three degree programs are: M.Ed. and M.S. in Business and Marketing Education (Distance Education); Ph.D. in Counseling and Counselor Education; and Ph.D. in Science Education. She reported that the first discontinuation is because of long-term and persistent low enrollment, very few degrees awarded and because the program is unlikely to grow sufficiently to have a critical mass of students. She noted that the other two discontinuations are because of re-characterization of Ph.D. degrees to be more signature to the College of Education. Those two Ph.D. programs will continue and be housed under unique umbrella Ph.D. degree programs as part of the comprehensive re-characterization. She reported that teach out plans assure that students can continue in their degree program until they graduate or transfer into another program in the college. Chair Ward made a motion for the approval of the Request for Authorization to discontinue these three degree programs. Dr. Prestage seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Chair Ward reported that as a part of the re-characterization of Ph.D. programs in the College of Education, the committee approved changing the title of three Ph.D. programs. They are: 1) Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction to be re-titled as Ph.D. in Teacher Education and Learning Sciences; 2) Ph.D. in Educational Research and Policy Analysis to be re-titled as Ph.D. in Educational Leadership, Policy and Human Development; and the 3) Ph.D. in Mathematics Education to be re-titled as Ph.D. in Learning and Teaching in STEM. These title changes more closely align with the current research, teaching, and programs in the departments, are broader in scope to serve as umbrella Ph.D. programs, and are more inclusive of other doctoral programs in the departments. Chair Ward made a motion to approve the three degree title changes. Mr. Cabaniss seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Chair Ward reported that the committee approved the Request for Authorization to establish two new graduate degree programs for which the Board approved the authorization to plan at the September and November 2013 meetings. These degree programs are: Doctorate of Design and the M.S. in Forensic Science. The proposal for the M.S. in Forensic Science is an outcome of efforts to create a Forensic Science Institute (currently in its final stages of planning) and Cluster in Forensic Sciences. This degree program is consistent with a strategic area of interest in NC State’s Strategic Plan: Safety and Security. The Doctorate of Design will target practicing designers and professionals currently holding a master’s degree who wish to develop a high level of expertise to support their existing and future design activities. Chair Ward made a motion for the approval of the request for authorization to establish these two graduate degree programs. Mrs. Goodnight seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Chair Ward reported that the committee also approved the request to continue the Center for Integrated Pest Management in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

Chair Ward reported that in the Provost’s update, the committee was notified of the merging and renaming of two departments in the College of Education: 1) the Department of Curriculum, Instruction and Counselor Education and the Department of Elementary Education merged to become: the Department of
Teacher Education and Learning Sciences; 2) the Department of Leadership, Policy and Adult and Higher Education was re-named the Department of Educational Leadership, Policy and Human Development.

Chair Ward stated that in closed session, the committee approved a head coach employment agreement, a non-salary compensation request, and conferral of tenure to two new faculty members.

With no further business in open session, Mr. Jenkins made the motion, seconded by Mr. Clark, at 4:20 p.m., to go into closed session to consider the qualifications, competence, performance and conditions of appointment of public office or employee or prospective public officer or employee. The motion passed.

**Reconvene in Open Session**

With no further business in open session, Chair Owens adjourned the meeting at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Assistant Secretary                  Secretary

Approved:

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Chair of the Board