

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Friday, March 24, 2023
2:00 p.m.
Grandview Ballroom
North End Zone Facility

CALL TO ORDER: The Board of Trustees of Appalachian State University met at the call of the Chair and the Chancellor in the Grandview Ballroom in the North Endzone Facility on Friday, March 24, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. Chair Kimberly M. Shepherd presided and called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

James M. Barnes
J. Jeffries Chesson
Fairley Bell Cook
Anita B. Greene
James E. Harris
Scott K. Lampe
Gabe Montalbano
James K. Reaves
Mark E. Ricks
Kimberly M. Shepherd
Steven D. Wyatt

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM:

E. Bonnie Schaefer
R. Thomas Sofield

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dawn Antonucci
Jane Barghothi
JJ Brown
C. Philip Byers, UNC Board of Governors
Sheri Everts, Chancellor
Hank Foreman
Megan Hayes
Dan Layzell
Paul Meggett
Heather Norris

CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTICE: Chair Shepherd read the following statement:

"Under the State Government Ethics Act, all voting members of the Board of Trustees have a duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts. Looking at the agenda for today's meeting, does anyone know that you have a conflict of interest or an interest that would give rise to the appearance of a conflict of interest? If so, please let me know now."

Trustee James Reaves recused himself from any vote relating to a Truist Bank loan as this presents a conflict of interest for him.

Chair Shepherd also read the following: “As we begin the business portion of the meeting, I would like to remind everyone of the Board’s expectations for conduct at our meetings. We ask that those attending today remain respectful of fellow attendees and the Board. Those attending an official meeting may not engage in conduct that is inconsistent with our bylaws or that interferes with the rights of others to observe and listen to the proceedings. Any individual who disrupts the meeting will be asked to leave and may be subject to arrest.”

ROLL CALL: Chair Shepherd asked Dawn Antonucci to call roll to verify all participants at the meeting.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Chair Shepherd welcomed Board of Governors Member Philip Byers, guests and press in attendance as confirmed during the roll call.

APPROVAL OF ABSENCES: None to report.

REMARKS FROM CHANCELLOR EVERTS: (see Attachment 1).

REPORT FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: Chair Shepherd recognized Trustee Jimmy Barnes, Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, for this report.

Trustee Barnes reported the Academic Affairs Committee met Thursday afternoon and approved the December 2, 2022 meeting minutes. Trustee Barnes stated there were no items for discussion in open session.

Trustee Barnes stated this concluded his report from the Academic Affairs Committee (see Appendix A).

REPORT FROM ATHLETICS COMMITTEE: Chair Shepherd recognized Trustee Jeff Chesson, Acting Chair of the Athletics Committee, for this report.

Student-Athlete Presentations

Trustee Chesson stated that the Athletics Committee met and began with a presentation given by Wrestling student-athlete, Caleb Smith, who gave the Committee insight into his transformational experience as a student-athlete at Appalachian. During the 2023 season, Caleb won his first Southern Conference title, qualifying for the NCAA Championships for the 2nd consecutive season. Caleb is a Marketing major in the Walker College of Business.

Presentation of the UNC Intercollegiate Athletics Survey

Deputy Athletics Director Jonathan Reeder provided a brief overview of the UNC Intercollegiate Athletics Survey report which includes athletics financial information, academic performance, and other related data. No corrective action was required.

Presentation from Director of Athletics

Director of Athletics Doug Gillin then provided a presentation to the Committee beginning with an update on academic performance where App State Student-Athletes finished the fall 2022 semester with above a 3.0 Grade Point Average for the 21st consecutive semester.

In the community, App State student-athletes participated in the National Girls and Women in Sports Day by engaging with local Watauga County School students on February 1. App State also hosted the 2023 Southern Conference Wrestling Championships in the Holmes Convocation Center where the Mountaineers earned 1st place in the team standings in addition to their Southern Conference regular season title.

Updates were shared on App State Football to include the development of their recruiting staff and several other key coaching hires during the offseason. The 2023 football schedule was announced and it was shared that App State will host conference opponents Coastal Carolina, Southern Miss, Marshall and Georgia Southern at Kidd Brewer Stadium during the months of October and November.

To conclude the meeting, the Committee was provided with updates on the tremendous growth of the App State brand, including highlights of strong TV viewership, and 2022 data showing App State Football as being the most listened to radio broadcast in the Charlotte market, earning a greater share of listeners than every other state FBS institution.

Trustee Chesson stated that this concluded his report from the Athletics Committee (see Appendix B).

REPORT FROM THE AUDIT COMMITTEE: Chair Shepherd recognized Trustee Steve Wyatt, Chair of the Audit Committee, for this report.

Trustee Wyatt stated the Audit Committee met and approved the minutes from the prior Audit Committee meeting of December 2, 2022.

Trustee Wyatt reported the Committee received an update on the current audit plan progress. The internal audits reviewed and discussed for this quarter were:

- An audit of the Information Technology General Controls (ITGC) Over Physical and Environmental Security of Data Centers was completed. There were two confidential findings for which management agreed and provided a corrective action plan.
- A compliance audit for the Appalachian Senior Programs (ASP) was completed. Report discrepancies were found. Recommendations were made to corroborate the reports prior to submitting to the grantor. Management agreed with the recommendation.
- A compliance audit for the Years of Service Calculation was completed. Incorrect calculations were found. Recommendations were made to Human Resources to periodically check with ASU staff regarding their years of service and to document the years of service procedure. Management agreed with the recommendation.
- A Follow-Up Review of Mountaineer Printing was conducted. No findings were reported.

- A Follow-Up Review of Parking and Transportation was conducted. No findings were reported.
- The Office of Internal Audits also completed several consulting engagements.

Trustee Wyatt also stated an update was provided on external audits currently in progress as well as on the following:

- a. Hotline presentations and awareness
- b. A new audit software implementation
- c. Internal audit staffing changes

Trustee Wyatt stated this concluded his report from the Audit Committee (see Appendix C).

REPORT FROM FINANCE AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE: Chair Shepherd recognized Trustee Jeff Chesson, Chair of the Finance & Operations Committee, for this report.

Trustee Chesson reported the Finance and Operations Committee met and approved the December 2022 meeting minutes. Trustee Chesson stated that the Finance and Operations Committee has three items on the consent agenda today:

- Approval of the FY 2024 All-Funds Budget
- Approval of four Capital Projects
- A Resolution to Amend and Update the Board's Delegated Authorities

The first action item is the approval of the FY 2024 All-Funds Budget. The All-Funds Budget is a UNC System Office initiative that provides a comprehensive operating budget for each institution which includes general funds, auxiliaries and other trust funds, overhead receipts and restricted trust funds. It is due to the UNC System Office by May 3, 2023. The FY 2024 All-Funds Budget template and narrative are included as Exhibit D-1 in the materials posted in BoardEffect.

The second action item is the approval of four capital projects as follows:

- Katherine Harper Hall Photography Lab renovation – The \$699,034 project consolidates 2 photo labs in separate buildings into one and will be funded by carryforward funds. Exhibit D2-A.
- Increase Authorization for the Conservatory for Biodiversity Education and Research - This will be a \$10.0 million increase to the project to address inflationary cost escalations. The increase will be funded by carryforward, education and technology fee reserves, and State Capital Infrastructure Funds. This project will be submitted to the Board of Governors for approval. Exhibit D2-B.
- Increase Authorization for Track, Tennis, and Softball relocation - This will be an increase of \$4.0M to add tennis and softball facilities to the original track and field project. The increase will be funded by additional debt service. This project will be submitted to the Board of Governors for approval. Exhibit D2-C.
- New Indoor Football Practice Facility - This is a request for advanced planning up to

\$2.3M of an anticipated \$30M project. The advanced planning will be funded by Athletics revenues. This request will be submitted to the Board of Governors for approval. Exhibit D2-D.

Additional information regarding these projects was provided in the materials found in BoardEffect.

Trustee Chesson stated the third action item is a proposed change to the delegations of authority resolution originally approved by the Board in September 2021. The proposed change will allow the Chancellor to appoint and fix the compensation of all Tier II Senior Academic and Administrative Officer positions pursuant to the UNC Policy Manual and UNC System Office guidance. While this change amends and updates the September 2021 resolution, it simply codifies and formalizes the current administrative practice that has been in place at the University for some time. Additionally, the September 2021 resolution will be amended and updated to delegate authority for setting all promotional salary increases, permanent non-promotional salary increases, and temporary promotional salary increases for all athletic head coaches and athletic director positions to the Chancellor pursuant to the UNC Policy Manual and UNC System Office guidance. Exhibit D-3.

Lastly, Trustee Chesson stated there were also two informational items presented to the Committee. The first item is the proposed FY2024 Course Materials Rental Fees for the University Bookstore. This item is presented for information only as it is designated by the UNC Board of Governors as a miscellaneous service fee which the Chancellor is authorized to approve. Vice Chancellor Dan Layzell presented this information item. The second item was an update on capital projects presented by Associate Vice Chancellor Nick Katers.

Trustee Chesson stated this concluded his report for the Finance and Operations Committee (see Appendix D).

REPORT FROM STUDENT AFFAIRS: Chair Shepherd recognized Trustee Fairley Bell Cook, Chair of the Student Affairs Committee, for this report.

Trustee Cook reported the Student Affairs Committee met and approved the minutes from the December 2, 2022 Committee meeting and that the agenda consisted of one informational presentation, and one closed session item.

Trustee Cook stated that Executive Director Sarah Garrow shared about the merger of Student Orientation with Parent and Family Services to create a new unit. We heard about the programs for new students beginning with summer orientation, extended orientation opportunities as well as transition programs extending into the start of their first semester. Additionally, information about services and resources available for families of our newest mountaineers was shared with the Committee. This includes Spring Family events taking place this weekend.

The Committee then moved into closed session to discuss an item that would be presented to the full board in closed session.

Trustee Cook stated that this concluded her report from the Student Affairs Committee (see Appendix E).

NOMINATIONS FOR UNIVERSITY- AFFILIATED BOARDS: Chair Shepherd recognized Vice Chancellor & Chief of Staff Hank Foreman for this report.

Mr. Foreman shared information on the nominations of Larken Egleston of Charlotte, NC and Andy Dulin of Charlotte NC to the University's Board of Visitors. Additional materials were previously provided in BoardEffect for review.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the nominations were approved as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA: Upon motion duly made and seconded the consent agenda was approved as presented and consisted of the following items:

- Approval of the 12/2/22 & 1/12/23 Meeting Minutes
- Exhibit C-1 Internal Audit Activity Charter
- Exhibit D-1 All Funds Budget
- Exhibit D-2A Katherine Harper Hall Photography Lab Renovations
- Exhibit D-2B Increase Authorization for App State Conservatory for Biodiversity, Education and Research from \$54M to \$64M
- Exhibit D-2C Increase Authorization for App 105 Track, Tennis, and Softball Relocation from \$11.8M to \$15.8 M
- Exhibit D-2D Indoor Football Practice Facility \$30M – Advanced Planning Only \$2.3M
- Exhibit D-3 Revised Delegation of Authority

REMARKS FROM CHAIR SHEPHERD: Chair Shepherd thanked the Committees and Chairs for their reports and shared the next scheduled Board of Trustees Meeting for Appalachian State University will be held on Friday, June 23, 2023.

CLOSED SESSION: Chair Shepherd announced that she would entertain a motion for the Board to convene in closed session. Chair Shepherd asked that Board of Governors member Philip Byers, Chancellor Everts, the Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor, Vice Chancellors, General Counsel, Chief Communications Officer, Athletic Director, Director of Environmental Health, Safety & Emergency Management, and the Assistant Secretary join the Trustees in closed session.

Chair Shepherd stated the livestream would be closed as the Board convenes in closed session. Once the Board returns to open session, the livestream will resume.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board convened in closed session to:

prevent the disclosure of privileged or confidential information pursuant to North Carolina General Statute, Section 126-22 in accordance with [N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a) (1)];

prevent the premature disclosure of an honorary degree, scholarship, prize, or similar award in accordance with [N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a) (2)];

consult with the University's attorney in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege pursuant to [N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a) (3)];

discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by this Board in accordance with N.C.G.S § 143-318.11(a)(4);

consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee in accordance with [N.C.G.S § 143-318.11(a)(6)]; and

hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against an individual public officer or employee in accordance with N.C.G.S § 143-318.11(a)(6).

PUBLIC SESSION RECONVENED: Upon motion duly made, seconded, and approved the Board reconvened in open session at 3:48 p.m.

REPORT FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: Chair Shepherd recognized Trustee Jimmy Barnes, Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, for this report.

Trustee Barnes presented a recommendation for Promotion and Tenure, materials had previously been provided in BoardEffect for review.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the recommendations were approved as presented.


REPORT FROM ATHLETICS COMMITTEE: Chair Shepherd recognized Trustee Jeff Chesson, Acting Chair of the Athletics Committee, for this report.

Trustee Chesson presented the Athletic contract for Head Field Hockey Coach Emily Dinsmore. Materials were previously provided in BoardEffect for Trustee review.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the contract was approved as presented.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:52 p.m.

Kimberly M. Shepherd, Chair

By: 
Dawn Antonucci
Assistant Secretary

Friday, March 24, 2023

Remarks by Sheri Everts, Chancellor

Good afternoon.

This week students returned from Spring Break, and the second half of the semester is underway. Commencement is only seven weeks from today.

As our soon-to-be graduates prepare for commencement, soon-to-be-students are on campus today, interviewing for our signature scholarships. All are looking ahead to the promise that awaits them as each App State Experience begins or takes them to their next step.

It has been an eventful few months since we last met in December!

Last month, I traveled to Washington, D.C., to express our appreciation to our representatives in the 118th Congress. I co-hosted a reception with the UNC System and other universities in honor of North Carolina delegation members and their staff. I spent time with:

- United States Sen. and App State alumnus Ted Budd, who, among many senate committees, notably sits on the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- U.S. Congresswoman Virginia Foxx, representing North Carolina's 5th Congressional District, which includes Watauga County and our neighboring counties, including Caldwell County. Dr. Foxx is chairwoman of the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.
- U.S. Congressman Patrick McHenry, representing North Carolina's 10th Congressional District, which includes most of the Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton area, who is chairman of the House Financial Services Committee.

This was an important opportunity to speak with our nation's leadership about the incredible accomplishments of App State's faculty, staff and students, and I shared many examples of students, faculty and staff contributing to the strength of our community, state and nation. We look forward to additional opportunities like this, including the potential for App State faculty and staff to share their expertise and their work at a federal level.

I also take every opportunity to share App State's successes and points of pride with the members of North Carolina's General Assembly. App State has a strong delegation of proud and passionate champions, many of whom are alumni. They are advocating for us right now, as the budget negotiations are underway. We are closely monitoring the budget process, which is ahead of schedule this year.

You'll recall App State had the best outcome in history during the last biennial budget — I may have said that a few times — and we appreciate their acknowledgement of our many successes and their trust in us to be good stewards of state resources.

Our faculty, staff, students and alumni have many, impressive accomplishments!

This semester the Reich College of Education topped their six-year record, making App State the top alma mater in the nation for the number of National Board Certified Teachers — for the seventh consecutive year. Accomplishing this feat seven years in a row speaks to the college's dedication to preparing future educators, which includes post-graduate mentorship, guidance and professional development opportunities. The influence of App State educators is strong in every county in the

state, and we are proud that the majority of our alumni stay in North Carolina, contributing to their communities through their leadership and service well after they graduate.

Congratulations to Dean Spooner and the faculty and staff in the Reich College of Education for their devotion to our current students and alumni, and congratulations to our nationally certified alumni. I am immensely proud of their accomplishments and their commitment to their profession.

Last semester, App State student-athletes earned their 21st consecutive semester of a cumulative grade-point average exceeding 3.0. A total of 125 student-athletes earned spots on the Dean's List, and 65 earned inclusion on the Chancellor's, with a GPA of 3.85 or higher in courses that earn credits toward graduation. These students work hard to be successful in their sports without sacrificing their dedication to academic excellence, and we are proud of them. Faculty and staff from every department on campus helped these students earn their success, and we thank them for their dedication to our students. Congratulations, Doug!

Last month, during a special ceremony, representatives from App State and the Lumbee Tribe, the largest American Indian tribe in the eastern United States, installed the Lumbee tribal flag in the International Hallway of App State's Plemmons Student Union. Tribal members Cierra Bell, a first-year student from Shannon, North Carolina, who serves as president of App State's Student American Indian Movement, and Dr. Seth Grooms, assistant professor of anthropology, unfurled the flag, representing an important partnership between App State and the Lumbee Tribe. The event was attended by about 150 students, faculty, staff and tribal representatives.

The flags on display in the International Hallway represent the home countries and nations of students, faculty and staff who are currently at App State. They serve as a welcome to them and to inform the community about App State's diversity of representation. The Lumbee flag is now a permanent addition to this display and a recognition of the importance of the nearly 60,000 members of the Lumbee Tribe.

App State recently hosted more than 80 middle school students from 10 schools in Watauga and Avery counties for the annual High Country MATHCOUNTS competition. This competition tests students' abilities to quickly solve algebra, geometry, probability and statistics problems. The competition is designed to stretch students' critical thinking and challenge them to learn advanced mathematics in middle school. Faculty and students from App State's Department of Mathematical Sciences volunteer to host and staff the competition, which is just one of many science and math competitions App State helps facilitate for rural school children in the area. These events make a difference for young scholars, whose teachers and schools often don't have the resources to host STEM fairs. Faculty members, like Dr. Erica Slate Young, help host these events while engaging students as support staff and competition judges. Without our faculty and student volunteers, many young children would not have the opportunity to participate in competitions that their peers in larger towns and cities have readily available. Post-pandemic, these competitions are even more important for the young students in our rural communities.

Last month, 16 student actors, technical crew, and design team members from App State's Theatre and Dance program represented App State in the regional Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival. This prestigious national theater program involves more than 18,000 students from across the nation with the goal to recognize and celebrate the work done at the college theater level. App State's program was one of only four in the southeast selected to participate in the 55th annual festival. The students performed the department's November 2022 production of "The Moors," a comedy by Jen Silverman, which was directed by professor of theater arts Dr. Paulette Marty.

The Walker College of Business and its on-campus MBA program have been recognized again as being among the best in the nation — and the Southeast — for 2023 by The Princeton Review. App

State's MBA concentration in leading and managing human resources was recognized among the country's top 10, ranking as No. 6 on the publication's 2023 "Best MBA for Human Resources" list.

Dr. Becki Battista, professor in the Department of Public Health and Exercise Science, was recently elected president of the North American Society for Pediatric Exercise Medicine. Dr. Battista will serve a six-year term on the organization's board of directors, leading an international membership of researchers, clinicians, health care providers and students who promote exercise science, physical activity and fitness in the health and medical care of children and adolescents. In this role, she will be able to provide App State students with new opportunities to make academic and professional connections with pediatric health care experts.

Dr. Michael Reddish, assistant professor in the Department of Chemistry and Fermentation Sciences, has secured the largest grant from the National Institutes of Health in App State's history. The five-year, \$1.6 million grant supports enzyme research led by Dr. Michael Reddish that could aid in the development of new and safer therapies, including those for cancer. This grant is among several awarded to Dr. Reddish and his team for his ongoing research at App State, including studying medications proposed to treat triple-negative breast cancers, which have the least number of and least effective treatment options available. He has also secured grants from the National Science Foundation and the North Carolina Biotechnology Center totaling more than \$250,000.

Dr. Reddish focuses on ensuring the highest quality undergraduate research experience for his students and also secures grant funding to support student travel to conferences, help with research supply costs for student research projects and stipends for students active in research training.

These are just a few examples that exemplify why App State has gained a reputation as the premier public undergraduate institution east of the Mississippi ... our reputation continues to grow.

Successful, major universities grow and change over time. To continue providing the highest quality setting in which students can grow and learn, we must ensure a sound foundation. Building and upgrading our physical infrastructure represents our deep commitment to our academic mission, the quality of the App State Experience and service to students and the people of North Carolina.

With fall 2023 classes beginning Aug. 21, our Hickory campus opens to students in five months. Associate Vice Chancellor of Facilities Management Nick Katers and his amazing team have been very, very busy. They have been putting the \$9 million state budget allocation for the phase one renovation to good use! Legislative support has been very strong, and we greatly appreciate the investment from the taxpayers in North Carolina. As I advocate for additional funding, I remind our good friends at the General Assembly of App State's strong track record of delivering projects on time and on budget while providing an unparalleled, affordable public college education. With a vibrant and modern Hickory campus, we will continue to fulfill our promise of providing access to higher education, partnering with local community colleges and Lenoir-Rhyne, to help make the future brighter and local economies even stronger.

With the first allocation of \$9 million, we are spending about one-third of the funds on immediate repairs and replacements to the HVAC system, replacing the building lighting with more efficient, cost-effective LED lighting, repairing the plumbing and electrical systems and replacing the building's automation, fire alarm and control systems. We are also completing renovations to the main floor of the building, which will house classrooms, a library, offices for faculty and staff and common spaces for studying and collaborative work.

About one-third of the \$9 million is going toward significant IT upgrades appropriate for a modern academic setting. These will include high-speed wired and wireless access, as well as student workspaces that have the latest in collaborative technology.

The remaining third of the phase one renovation funding will be used to replace the 30-year-old roof with a new, energy-efficient membrane roof that is designed to accept future solar arrays.

We are actively recruiting students and have held several information sessions for prospective students and their families, as well as for area high school guidance counselors and community college counselors, with more scheduled in the coming weeks.

Last month, I announced the Hickory First Scholarship in celebration of the inaugural year of our new campus. This \$2,000 scholarship is available to the first 500 students who meet the academic requirements and enroll at App State's Hickory campus for 2023. As you know, for the seventh consecutive year, the UNC System institutions will remain flat on tuition. For the 2023 academic year, the Hickory First Scholarship reduces tuition and fee payments to just over \$6,000 — and that is before any other financial aid or scholarships are applied. I say this because the prevailing narrative in the media is that college is too expensive for first-time college students and their families to afford. Students who want to attend the Hickory campus are seeking an App State Experience that allows them to live at home and work while also earning a highly desirable App State degree. This is an incredible deal for them.

In fall 2023, more than 100 undergraduate majors will be available for students who wish to begin or continue their four-year degrees at App State. Among the many on-site services, first-year and transfer student support and assistance will include admissions, advising, career services, financial aid and tutoring.

Facilities, IT, Student Affairs and Academic Affairs team members have been working hard to renovate, upgrade and staff the Hickory building while also ensuring operations on the Boone campus remain first-rate, and we appreciate their dedication to our collective vision for App State's future.

My leadership team and I are working from the new building at least one day each week, and Academic Affairs and Student Affairs teams are staffing the building every weekday. We are hiring additional support staff, including staff to help specifically with advising needs for Hickory students.

Academic Affairs will soon begin hiring faculty members to teach on the Hickory campus. Provost Norris has been meeting with deans regarding faculty positions, and for fall 2023, we have 23 new, full-time-equivalency faculty positions to meet the needs for the Hickory campus.

As the partnership between the City of Hickory and its surrounding communities grows stronger with App State, we continue to build a platform for future generations to grow and lead. We, along with our partner educational institutions in the area, are providing opportunities that will change lives. The students of App State Hickory join a Mountaineer community that impacts not only our local communities, but also the state of North Carolina, our nation and beyond.

I'd now like to share a [video](#) we play for prospective students and families when they visit the App State Hickory campus.

As my leadership team and I continue to look to the future, the six-year capital projects plan for App State, which we submitted to the UNC System last fall, includes:

- future phases of renovations and construction on the Hickory campus;
- replacing I.G. Greer Hall with a state-of-the-art science, technology, engineering and math building;
- continued renovations of Peacock Hall, to include a transportation hub and the daylighting of Boone Creek; and

- continuing to add academic buildings to the Innovation District.

These projects remain priorities as we seek additional state funding.

This summer, we will begin construction on the first academic building of the Innovation District — the Conservatory for Biodiversity Education and Research. Funded by a \$54 million allocation in the 2021–22 state budget, the conservatory will facilitate collaboration and expertise across disciplines and encourage K–12 partnerships.

The conservatory will build on existing opportunities available through the Department of Biology’s teaching and research facilities. Paired with the adjacent Nature Preserve, the conservatory will also advance knowledge of the economic importance of our region’s biodiversity. We expect to open this beautiful building in fall 2025.

In January, the Board of Governors unanimously approved our request to authorize public-private partnerships to develop affordable faculty housing and a zero-carbon renewable energy system for the district. Thank you, Gov. Byers! These projects are public-private partnerships and will not rely upon state funds or any capital from the university.

For the development of faculty and staff housing located in the Innovation District, App State will enter into a ground lease with Beyond Owners Group, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, which will develop approximately 156 multifamily, multistory residential units on campus through firms who will develop and operate the properties. The residential units will provide housing for App State employees, offering below-market rates. In our highly competitive housing market, we expect this to positively impact our ability to recruit and retain talented faculty and staff. We will break ground on the project this summer, and units are expected to be ready for occupancy in 2025.

For the development of the zero-carbon district energy system, which will begin to transition the Boone campus away from steam power, App State will enter into an agreement with Harrison Street Real Estate LLC. Harrison Street will develop, construct and operate a net-zero carbon district energy system, which will generate and distribute energy to support the planned buildings in the Innovation District, including the Conservatory for Biodiversity Education and Research and faculty and staff housing. The energy system is expected to become operational in 2025.

In a time of rising energy costs, the zero-carbon district energy system will not only supply a stable source of energy, it will also contribute significant savings in avoided energy costs for the university.

Renovations to Wey Hall are underway. This building was built in 1976 and has not had any renovations since. It is home to the Department of Art, which offers more than 100 course sections to approximately 1,400 students. The building’s classrooms are also used for general education and first-year seminar courses. Construction is slated to conclude in time for classes to begin for the fall 2024 semester.

Renovations for Edwin Duncan Hall — home to the Dean’s Office of App State’s College of Fine and Applied Arts, as well as many classrooms, labs and offices utilized by departments across the university — will begin this summer, with an anticipated completion date of spring 2025. Faculty and staff offices will be housed in East Hall during the renovations, while classes and labs will be taught in various academic buildings across the Boone campus.

Renovation for Peacock Hall will begin this summer. Home to the Walker College of Business, which has the largest full-time, undergraduate enrollment of any business school in the UNC System, the 130,000-square-foot, four-story building has dated, fixed seating that hinders team project work, as well as elevators, and heating and cooling systems that are in need of replacement. A planned bridge between the existing building and the addition will connect the first and second floors.

This project will support planning for the greater district goal of opening Boone Creek and replacing surface parking with a new parking structure, along with a redesign of traffic flow for buses. Construction for the building's renovation is slated to conclude in time for classes to begin for the fall 2026 semester.

The Wey, Duncan and Peacock capital improvement projects have already received funding through the best biennial budget in App State's history, and we greatly appreciate this support, which will help us meet App State's demands for continued educational needs.

Soon after Spring Commencement, work will begin on the new 600-space parking deck at the Holmes Convocation Center. The parking deck is anticipated to open for the fall 2024 semester. App State has authorization to issue special obligation bonds to fund construction of the Holmes Parking Deck and will use parking revenues to repay the bonds.

Private support for our students and faculty is critical to our ensuring access to an App State education for more students in the state and region.

Vice Chancellor of University Advancement Jane Barghothi and her team continue to raise the bar for fundraising. To date, we have received nearly \$29 million in new pledges and cash gifts — which is nearly \$3.5 million more than at this time last year.

And, we are on pace to exceed last year's fundraising total — which was already the best fundraising year in more than a decade. We are also on target to close our fourth consecutive fiscal year with an overall fundraising increase.

Jane and her team are preparing for two signature university events:

- The 10th annual iBackAPP giving celebration takes place in just a couple of weeks. During this 36-hour event, we ask the App State Community to give to any area or program they choose, wear black and gold and share their support for App State on social media.
- App State's Alumni Weekend will be held July 14–16. This weekend features opportunities to celebrate university scholarships, the Black and Gold Society induction ceremony and, of course, the Alumni Awards Gala, during which we celebrate the winners of our distinguished alumni, young alumni and outstanding service awards. Those of you who have attended the awards gala in the past — and those who are recipients of the awards — you can attest to what a special event the awards gala is. Stephanie Billings, Margaret McCoy and their teams do a fabulous job making the evening an event to remember.

I am also excited to share with you that Trustee Harris, a 1984 Walker College of Business alumnus, will be the featured speaker for App State's Boyles Distinguished Lecture Series next month. With 35 years of business-to-business experience working for some of the world's premier firms, he has valuable insight and experience to offer our students and greater community. I hope you will be able to attend this event!

Thank you, Trustee Harris!

And, An Appalachian Summer has already announced its headliner act for the 2023 season. The festival is partnering with App State Athletics to present multi-platinum, Grammy Award-winner Darius Rucker. There has been a lot of excitement about this concert since it was announced, and tickets went on sale earlier this week. We're looking forward to seeing the rest of the season announced soon! Thank you, Trustee Schaefer, for your long-standing and generous support of App Summer.

ATTACHMENT 1

I know we are all looking forward to tonight's App State baseball game as we begin a three-game weekend series against Georgia State. Gov. Byers generously donated the scoreboard for the most beautiful field in college baseball, and tonight, he will be throwing out the first pitch! To celebrate, I'll be inaugurating a new, App State branded T-shirt launcher!

I'd like to close my report today with a video that honors and thanks Gov. Byers for his endless generosity and celebrates his passion for student success.

Gov. Byers, thank you for your tireless advocacy, enthusiasm and love for App State!

Madam Chair, this concludes my report.

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Friday, March 24, 2023
Parkway Ballroom, North Endzone Facility
Meeting Room A
10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER: The Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees of Appalachian State University met at the call of the Chair and the Chancellor on Friday, March 24, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. Chair Barnes presided and called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

James M. Barnes, Chair
Anita Greene
James E. Harris
Gabe Montalbano
E. Bonnie Schaefer

OTHERS PRESENT:

Talana Bell
Kathy Brown
Jennifer Chrisohon
James Douthit
Mark Ginn
Marie Hoepfl
Ece Karatan
Chris Klemen
Heather Langdon
Mike Madritch
Heather Norris
Jamie Parson
Sue Polanka
Neva Specht
Melba Spooner
Tom Van Gilder

CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTICE: Chair Barnes read the following statement:

"Under the State Government Ethics Act, all voting members of the Board of Trustees have a duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts. Looking at the agenda for today's meeting, does anyone know that you have a conflict of interest or an interest that would give rise to the appearance of a conflict of interest? If so, please let me know now."

OPENING STATEMENT ON EXPECTATIONS OF CONDUCT: Chairperson Barnes read the following statement:

“As we begin the business portion of the meeting, I would like to remind everyone of the Subcommittee’s expectations for conduct at our meetings. We ask that those attending today remain respectful of fellow attendees and the Committee. Those attending an official meeting may not engage in conduct that is inconsistent with our Bylaws or that interferes with the rights of others to observe and listen to the proceedings. Any individual who disrupts the meeting will be asked to leave and may be subject to arrest.”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Bonnie Schaeffer and seconded by Jamie Harris to approve the minutes from the December 2, 2022, meeting of the Academic Affairs committee. The motion was approved unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION:

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Academic Affairs Committee convened in closed session to:

prevent the disclosure of privileged or confidential information pursuant to North Carolina General Statute, Section 126-22 in accordance with [N.C.G.S. §143-318.11(a)(1)]; and

consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee in accordance with [N.C.G.S §143-318.11(a)(6)].

OPEN SESSION RECONVENED: Upon motion duly made, seconded, and approved the Academic Affairs Committee reconvened in open session at 10:21 a.m.

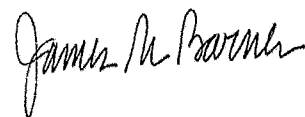
BUSINESS ITEM: Promotion and Tenure Recommendations

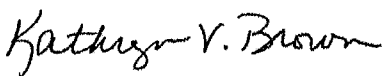
Chairperson Barnes requested a motion that the Committee approve all promotion recommendations, as presented and discussed in Exhibit A-2A. A motion was made by Jamie Harris and seconded by Bonnie Schaefer to approve all promotion recommendations. The motion was approved unanimously.

Chairperson Barnes requested a motion that the Committee approve all tenure recommendations, as presented and discussed in Exhibit A-2B. A motion was made by Bonnie Schaefer and seconded by Anita Greene to approve all tenure recommendations. The motion was approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

James M Barnes, Chair

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James M Barnes".

By: 
Kathy Brown
Recording Secretary

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE ATHLETICS COMMITTEE
APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Friday, March 24, 2023
Grandview Ballroom
North End Zone Facility Breakout Room B

CALL TO ORDER: The Athletics Committee of the Board of Trustees of Appalachian State University met at the call of the Chairperson and the Chancellor on Friday, March 24, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. in the North End Zone Facility Breakout Room B on the campus of Appalachian State University. J. Jeffries Chesson presided and called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

James M. Barnes
J. Jeffries Chesson
Scott K. Lampe
James K. Reaves
R. Thomas Sofield

OTHERS PRESENT:

John Adams
George Baldwin
Jane Barghothi
C. Philip Byers
Jennifer Chrisohon
Stacy Everett
Sheri Everts
Douglas P. Gillin
David Jamison
Heather Langdon
Dan Layzell
Heather Norris
Jeff Pierce
Jonathan B. Reeder
Mark E. Ricks
Sarah Rupp
Rene Salinas
Caleb Smith
Meghan Wills

CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTICE: Chair Chesson read the statement: "Under the State Government Ethics Act, all voting members of the Board of Trustees have a duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts. Looking at the agenda for today's meeting, does anyone know that you have a conflict of interest or an interest that would give rise to the appearance of a conflict of interest? If so, please let me know now." [None reported]

OPENING STATEMENT ON EXPECTATIONS OF CONDUCT: Chair Chesson read the statement: "As we begin the business portion of the meeting, I would like to remind everyone of the Committee's expectations for conduct at our meetings. We ask that those attending today

remain respectful of fellow attendees and the Committee. Those attending an official meeting may not engage in conduct that is inconsistent with our Bylaws or that interferes with the rights of others to observe and listen to the proceedings. Any individual who disrupts the meeting will be asked to leave and may be subject to arrest.”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chair Chesson stated the December 2, 2022 Athletics Committee meeting minutes were included in Committee members’ materials. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the minutes as distributed.

COMMENTS FROM STUDENT-ATHLETES: Wrestling student-athlete, Caleb Smith, provided the Committee insight into his transformational experience as a student-athlete at Appalachian State University.

UNC INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS SURVEY: Deputy Athletics Director, Jonathan Reeder, provided a brief overview of the UNC Intercollegiate Athletics Survey report, which includes athletics financial information, academic performance, and other related data, in which no corrective action was required.

PRESENTATION BY DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS: Mr. Doug Gillin, Director of Athletics, presented several updates to the Committee:

- Update on academic performance, where App State Student-Athletes finished the fall 2022 semester with above a 3.0 Grade Point Average for the 21st consecutive semester.
- App State student-athletes participated in the National Girls and Women in Sports Day by engaging with local Watauga County School students on February 1.
- Several significant spring athletics events were held where App State Baseball opened the 2023 season in Hickory, and App State Wrestling hosted the 2023 Southern Conference Wrestling Championships in the Holmes Convocation Center.
- The recent successful Steve & Marcia Wilks Diversity Scholarship recipients were discussed, as well as a new scholarship for students from underrepresented populations to be a Graduate Assistant in the Academic Services for Student-Athletes unit.
- Facilities updates were reviewed, including progress at the Appalachian 105 property.
- Competitive updates, including App State Wrestling’s 2023 Regular Season and Tournament Championships.
- Updates on App State Football, including the development of the recruiting staff, and several key coaching hires during the offseason.
- Updates on the tremendous growth of the App State brand, including highlights of strong TV viewership, and 2022 data showing App State Football as being the most listened to radio broadcast in the Charlotte market, earning a greater share of listeners than every other state FBS institution.

OPEN SESSION ADJOURNED: A motion was made and seconded that the Committee convene in closed session to:

- prevent the disclosure of confidential or privileged information under Chapter 126-24 of North Carolina General Statutes. Pursuant to [N.C.G.S § 143-318.11(a)(1)]; and
- to establish or instruct the staff or agent concerning the negotiations of the amount of compensation or other terms of an employment contract. Pursuant to [N.C.G.S § 143-318.11(a)(5)].

The motion was approved unanimously. Chancellor Sheri Everts, Governor Philip Byers, Board of Trustees members, Paul Meggett, Hank Foreman, Heather Norris, Dan Layzell, J.J. Brown, Jane Barghothi, Megan Hayes, Doug Gillin, and Jonathan Reeder were asked to remain for closed session. All others were excused.

OPEN SESSION RECONVENED: Chair J. Jeffries Chesson reconvened the open session.

ADJOURNMENT: After the open session reconvened, the meeting of the Athletics Committee adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan B. Reeder
Recording Secretary

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE
APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Friday, March 24, 2023
12:00 p.m.
Meeting Room A
North End Zone Facility

CALL TO ORDER: The Audit Committee of the Board of Trustees of Appalachian State University met at the call of the Chair on Friday, March 24, 2023, at 12:00 noon in meeting room A, North End Zone facility on the campus of Appalachian State University in Boone, North Carolina. Mr. Steven D. Wyatt, Chair, presided and called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steven D. Wyatt, Chair
Anita Greene
James E. Harris
Scott Lampe

OTHERS PRESENT:

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| Jennifer Myers | |
| Anna Oakes | Boris Salvador Maldonado |
| Dan Layzell | Lynda Greene |
| Daniel Lightfoot | Margaret Bumgarner |
| David Jamison | Paul Meggett |
| Heather Norris | Sheri Everts |
| Jim Webb | Sorina McInturff |
| John Adams | Stacy Everett |
| Kim Shepherd | Tom Van Gilder |
| Kristi Gragg | Wanda Stewart |

INTRODUCTION OF NEW STAFF: Ms. Jennifer Myers, Chief Audit Officer, introduced the staff in the Office of Internal Audits (OIA).

- Sorina McInturff has been promoted to Advanced Auditor.
- Lynda Greene joined the staff as a Journey Auditor – Lynda was formally an Internal Auditor with Forsyth County. She started on 1/17/23.
- Wanda Stewart joined the staff as a Contributing Auditor – Wanda comes from Appalachian Student Affairs where she was an accountant for business partnerships. She started on 2/13/23.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTICE: Chair Wyatt read the following: “Under the State Government Ethics Act, all voting members of the Board of Trustees have a duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts. Looking at the agenda for today’s meeting, does anyone know that you have a conflict of interest or an interest that would give rise to the appearance of a conflict of interest? If so, please let me know now.” No conflicts were voiced.

EXPECTATION OF CONDUCT NOTICE: Chair Wyatt also read the following: “As we begin the business portion of the meeting, I would like to remind everyone of the Committee’s expectations for

conduct at our meetings. We ask that those attending today remain respectful of fellow attendees and the Committee. Those attending an official meeting may not engage in conduct that is inconsistent with our Bylaws or that interferes with the rights of others to observe and listen to the proceedings. Any individual who disrupts the meeting will be asked to leave and may be subject to arrest.”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the December 2, 2022 Audit Committee meeting were delivered to all Audit Committee members prior to the meeting. There were no corrections. Chair Wyatt called for a motion to approve the December 2, 2022 Audit Committee meeting minutes. Upon motion made by Trustee Jamie Harris and seconded by Trustee Anita Greene, the minutes of the meeting were approved as presented.

INTRODUCTION OF DAVID EHRICHT: Ms. Jennifer Myers, Chief Audit Officer, introduced the Committee to Mr. David Ehricht, who presented via Zoom the results of the 2022 Financial Statement Audit Report for the University.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2022 FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT REPORT: Mr. David Ehricht, Assistant State Auditor – Supervisor, Office of the State Auditor, provided the Committee with a review of the objective of the June 30, 2022 Financial Statement Audit Report. No deficiencies were reported for the 2022 fiscal year. Mr. Ehricht acknowledged those working with the University audit for their hard work. Mr. Ehricht then allowed for questions.

SUMMARY OF 2022-2023 AUDIT PLAN AND RECENT INTERNAL AUDIT ACTIVITY: Ms. Jennifer Myers, Chief Audit Officer, provided the Committee with an update on the current audit plan progress. The audit plan was reviewed, noting some changes due to staffing and risk analysis. The internal audits reviewed and discussed for this quarter were:

- **Information Technology General Controls (ITGC) Over Physical and Environmental Security of Data Centers:** An information system control audit conducted to determine if ITGC Physical and Environmental controls over data centers prevent unauthorized access, damage, and interference to the University’s information and information processing facilities in accordance with the University’s *Information Security Policy* and *Data Center Policy Manual*. There were two confidential findings. Management agreed with the findings and provided a corrective action plan. Office of Internal Audits (OIA) will conduct a follow-up review within the next year.
- **Appalachian Senior Programs:** A compliance audit conducted to (1) to test compliance with the grant terms and guidelines as well as University policies, and (2) to present instances of noncompliance, if any, with applicable federal regulations and guidance and with University policies and procedures. During the review, OIA noted discrepancies between the reports of Appalachian Senior Programs (ASP) and Special Funds Accounting (SFA) related to the grantee-match portion. The responsibility for monitoring expenses and preparing financial reports is a shared responsibility between ASP and SFA. OIA recommends that each party corroborates their grantee-match figures to reach agreement prior to submitting to the grantor. Management agreed with the recommendation. OIA will conduct a follow-up review within the next year.
- **Years of Service:** A compliance audit conducted to determine if Human Resources (HR) is calculating employee “years of service” correctly. During the review, a sample of employee records revealed that some “Years of Total State Service” amounts were calculated incorrectly. (All noted errors were corrected during the audit process.) OIA recommends that HR sends a periodic email announcement to all staff with instructions about how to see their Total State Service on their dashboard, and how to reach out to HR if it is not correct. OIA also recommends that HR document the Years of Service procedures to include when the procedure applies (for both new hires and returning employees), how to confirm dates, how to make the calculation, how to document the calculation, and any other steps that management may consider necessary.

Management agreed with the recommendations. OIA will conduct a follow-up review within the next year.

- Follow-Up Reviews:

Mountaineer Printing: OIA completed a review of Mountaineer Printing and issued a report dated November 8, 2022. Management agreed with the recommendations. The follow-up review verified that management has addressed the audit findings and recommendations, and Mountaineer Printing has been dissolved as of December 31, 2022. The follow-up is considered Resolved.

Parking and Transportation: OIA completed a review of Parking and Transportation and issued a report dated April 12, 2022. Management agreed with the recommendations. The follow-up review verified that management has addressed the audit findings and recommendations, and Parking and Transportation has created new processes to reconcile departmental revenue receivables to University records. The follow-up is considered Resolved.

- **Consulting & Other Activities:** In addition to assurance reviews, OIA also provided the following consulting activities.
- **University Institutional Effectiveness Review of Divisions Who Report to the Chief of Staff:** An external review of the divisions that report to the Chief of Staff and Vice Chancellor of External Affairs to ensure the quality and well-being of the divisions as part of the University's Periodic Comprehensive Review process.
- **Ratex Server:** A consulting engagement to offer an opinion on an internal control issue regarding an outdated server.
- **Appalachian Senior Program Reconciliation Review:** During the Appalachian Senior Programs audit, OIA noted some improvement opportunities in their reconciliation process. OIA met with the program staff and shared strategies to enhance their spreadsheets and make the reconciliation and approval process more effective.

SUMMARY OF EXTERNAL AUDITS COMPLETED AND IN-PROGRESS:

Ms. Jennifer Myers, Chief Audit Officer, provided a summary of the following external audits that are currently in progress:

- **Reducing Energy Burden in the High Country Grant:** The North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality and State Energy Office is conducting a virtual monitoring visit. This is ongoing.
- **Digital Accessibility Audit:** The U.S. Department of Education -- Office of Civil Rights is conducting an audit to determine whether people with disabilities have the full and equal enjoyment of the University's online programs, services, and activities. This is ongoing.

Ms. Jennifer Myers, Chief Audit Officer, provided a summary of the following external audits that are completed:

- **State Financial Audit** – An audit of Appalachian State University's financial statements for fiscal year 2022 has been completed by the Office of State Auditor.
- **NCAA Agreed Upon Procedures re: Intercollegiate Athletics Revenues, Expenses, and Capital Expenditures** – This engagement has been completed by the external auditor *Combs, Tennant & Carpenter*. There were no findings.
- **Foster Grandparents program** - Audit has been completed by the external auditor *AmeriCorps*. No improper payments were found.

Other OIA Updates: Ms. Jennifer Myers, Chief Audit Officer, shared regarding:

- Hotline presentations and awareness
 - A new employee module has been developed for the onboarding process to ensure that all new employees are aware of the hotline and how to report tips.
 - In conjunction with other annual staff training, OIA is beginning work on a mandatory yearly hotline training for all faculty and staff.
 - A hotline presentation will be made during Diversity Celebration Week in April, and an information table will be presented at the Staff Appreciation Luncheon in April
- AutoAudit implementation – OIA has begun implementation and continues to find ways to use the software to further automate work.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF INTERNAL AUDIT ACTIVITY CHARTER – EXHIBIT C-1: Ms. Jennifer Myers, Chief Audit Officer, reviewed the Charter. Chair Wyatt called for a motion to approve the Internal Audit Activity Charter – Exhibit C-1. Upon motion made by Trustee Scott Lampe and seconded by Trustee Jamie Harris, the Charter was approved as presented.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AUDIT COMMITTEE CHARTER: Ms. Jennifer Myers, Chief Audit Officer, shared that the Charter was reviewed by the Chief Audit Office and Legal Counsel, and there were no proposed changes at this time.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

STEVEN WYATT, Chair

By: Kristi Gragg
Recording Secretary

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Friday, March 24, 2023
Parkway Ballroom, North Endzone Facility
Meeting Room B
10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER: The Finance and Operations Committee of the Board of Trustees of Appalachian State University met at the call of the Chair and the Chancellor on Friday, March 24, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at the North End Zone facility on Appalachian State University's Boone Campus. Chair Jeff Chesson presided.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J. Jeffries Chesson
Fairley Bell Cook
James K. Reaves
Mark E. Ricks
Kimberly M. Shepherd
R. Thomas Sofield (virtual)
Steven D. Wyatt
Scott Lampe

OTHERS PRESENT:

George Baldwin
J.J. Brown
Jane Bargothi
John Eckman
John Adams
David Jamison
Crawford Cleveland
Chancellor Sheri Everts
Nick Katers
Dan Layzell
Paul Meggett
Jennifer Myers
Anna Oaks
Amanda Whittington
Sarah Rupp
Meghan Wills
Matt Dull
Jeff Pierce
Stacy Everett
Michelle Novacek

Alyson Ebaugh
Boris Salvador
Jonathan Reeder
Margaret Bumgarner

CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTICE:

Trustee Chesson read the following: "Under the State Government Ethics Act, all voting members of the Board of Trustees have a duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts. Looking at the agenda for today's meeting, does anyone know that you have a conflict of interest or an interest that would give rise to the appearance of a conflict of interest? If so, please let me know now." [None reported]

The following statement was also read, "As we begin the business portion of the meeting, I would like to remind everyone of the Committee's expectations for conduct at our meetings. We ask that those attending today remain respectful of fellow attendees and the Committee. Those attending an official meeting may not engage in conduct that is inconsistent with our Bylaws or that interferes with the rights of others to observe and listen to the proceedings. Any individual who disrupts the meeting will be asked to leave and may be subject to arrest."

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Trustee Ricks and seconded by Trustee Cook to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2022 meeting of the Finance and Operations Committee. The motion was approved unanimously.

FY 2024 ALL-FUNDS BUDGET: Mr. Dan Layzell, Vice Chancellor of Finance and Operations, gave an overview and presentation on the All-Funds Budget for FY 2024. A motion was made by Trustee Reaves and seconded by Trustee Cook to approve the budget. The motion was approved unanimously.

CAPITAL PROJECT APPROVALS:

Trustee Chesson recognized Nick Katers, Associate Vice Chancellor of Facilities Management, who presented the following capital projects for approval:

- a) Photo Lab Relocate to Katherine Harper Hall - \$699,034
- b) Innovation District Conservatory Increase - \$54M to \$64M
- c) App 105 Sports Complex Phase II Increase - \$11.8M to \$15.8M
- d) Football Practice Facility Advanced Planning - \$2.3M to \$30M

The motion was made by Trustee Reaves and seconded by Trustee Ricks to approve these capital projects as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE:

Mr. Nick Katers, Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities Management, gave a capital projects update on the projects currently underway, which include:

- a) Holmes Convocation Center Parking Deck
- b) Edwin Duncan Renovation

- c) Peacock Renovation
- d) Wey Hall Renovation
- e) Innovation District – Townhome Project
- f) Conservatory for Biodiversity Education & Research

Mr. Nick Katers also gave an update on recent capital projects success stories, which include:

- a) Sanford Roof
- b) P3 Final Phase

COURSE MATERIALS RENTAL FEES: Mr. Dan Layzell, Vice Chancellor of Finance and Operations, presented the FY 2024 course material rental rates for the University Bookstore.

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| Undergraduate: | \$270/Fall & Spring semesters \$65/Summer semester | (currently \$260) (currently \$63) |
| Graduate: | \$115/Fall & Spring semesters \$25/Summer semester | (currently \$70) (first time available) |

REVISED DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY: Trustee Chesson proposed a revision to the Board’s delegations of authority resolution initially approved in September 2021. The revision asked to include the appointment and compensation of Tier II Senior Academic and Administrative Officers (SAAOs) and include setting all salary increases for athletic head coaches and athletic director positions. A motion was made by Trustee Reaves and seconded by Trustee Cook to approve the revised delegations. The motion was approved unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Finance & Operations Committee convened in closed session to:

to discuss matters relating to the location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by this Board in accordance with N.C.G.S § 143-318.11(a)(4).

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, a motion was made by Trustee Cook to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ricks and was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

J. Jeffries Chesson, Chair

Respectfully submitted by:

Amanda R. Whittington
Recording Secretary

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Friday, March 24, 2023
Parkway Ballroom, North Endzone Facility
Meeting Room A
11:00 AM

CALL TO ORDER: The Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees of Appalachian State University met at the call of the Chair and the Chancellor on Friday, March 24, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. Chair Fairley Bell Cook presided and called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Fairley Bell Cook, Chairperson
Jamie Harris
Gabe Montalbano
Bonnie Schaefer
Steve Wyatt

OTHERS PRESENT:

Kim Shepherd, Chair of the Board of Trustees
J.J. Brown, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs
Matt Dull, Associate Vice Chancellor
Paul Meggett, General Counsel
Sarah Garrow
Jeff Cathey
Brandon Nelson
Beth Holcomb
Heather Jo Mashburn
Shiloh Lovette
Elisabeth Cavallaro
Chris Hogan
Crawford Cleveland
Michelle Novachek

CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTICE: Chair Fairley Bell Cook read the following statement:

"Under the State Government Ethics Act, all voting members of the Board of Trustees have a duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts. Looking at the agenda for today's meeting, does anyone know that you have a conflict of interest or an interest that would give rise to the appearance of a conflict of interest? If so, please let me know now." [None reported.]

OPENING STATEMENT ON EXPECTATIONS OF CONDUCT: Chair Cook read the following statement:

APPENDIX E

“As we begin the business portion of the meeting, I would like to remind everyone of the Committee’s expectations for conduct at our meetings. We ask that those attending today remain respectful of fellow attendees and the Committee. Those attending an official meeting may not engage in conduct that is inconsistent with our Bylaws or that interferes with the rights of others to observe and listen to the proceedings. Any individual who disrupts the meeting will be asked to leave and may be subject to arrest.”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the December 2, 2022 Student Affairs Committee meeting were made available to all Committee members prior to the meeting. There were no corrections. Chair Cook called for a motion to approve the December 2, 2022 Student Affairs Committee meeting minutes. Upon motion made by Bonnie Schaefer and seconded by Jamie Harris, the minutes of the meeting were approved as presented.

BUSINESS ITEM: Sarah Garrow, Executive Director, of the newest Student Affairs department shared about the merger of Student Orientation with Parent and Family Services to create this new unit. The department is called New Mountaineer and Family Engagement. Sarah shared information about the programs offered for new students beginning with summer orientation, extended orientation opportunities, as well as transition programs extending into the start of their first semester. Additionally, Sarah presented services and resources available for families of our newest mountaineers including Spring Family Weekend events taking place this weekend.

CLOSED SESSION:

Upon motion made by Steve Wyatt and seconded by Jamie Harris, the Student Affairs Committee convened in closed session to:

prevent the premature disclosure of an honorary degree, scholarship, prize, or similar award. [N.C.G.S § 143-318.11(a)(2)].

OPEN SESSION RECONVENED: Upon motion duly made, seconded, and approved the Student Affairs Committee reconvened in open session at 11:39 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Fairley Bell Cook, Chair

By: Arielle Johnson
Recording Secretary