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University of South Carolina BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Buildings and Grounds Committee

October 7, 2011

The Buildings and Grounds Committee of the University of South Carolina Board of Trustees met on Friday, October 7, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. in the 1600 Hampton Street Board Room.

Members present were: Mr. Herbert C. Adams, Presiding Chairman; Mr. Thomas C. Cofield; Mr. William C. Hubbard; Mr. William W. Jones, Jr.; Mr. Toney J. Lister; Ms. Leah B. Moody; Mr. John C. von Lehe, Jr.; Mr. Miles Loadholt, Board Chairman; and Mr. Eugene P. Warr, Jr., Board Vice Chairman. Mr. Mark W. Buyck, Jr. was absent.

Other Trustees present were: Mr. J. Egerton Burroughs; Mr. W. Lee Bussell; Mr. Hubert F. Mobley; Mr. Thad Westbrook; and Mr. Mack I. Whittle, Jr.

Others present were: President Harris Pastides; Secretary Thomas L. Stepp; Chief Financial Officer Edward L. Walton; Vice President for Student Affairs and Vice Provost for Academic Support Dennis A. Pruitt; Vice President of Development and Alumni Relations Michelle D. Dodenhoff; Vice President for Communications Luanne M. Lawrence; Vice President for Human Resources Chris Byrd; Vice Provost and Executive Dean for Extended Campus Chris P. Plyler; General Counsel Walter (Terry) H. Parham; Senior Vice Provost and Director of Strategic Planning Christine W. Curtis; Associate Vice President for Finance and Budget Director, Division of Finance and Planning, Leslie Brunelli; Associate Vice President for Business Affairs, Division of Finance and Planning, Helen T. Zeigler; Associate Vice President for Facilities Tom Quasney; Associate Vice President for Student Life and Development, Division of Student Affairs, Jerry Brewer; Associate Vice President for Transportation and Logistical Relations Derrick Huggins; Director of Athletics Eric C. Hyman; Director of Capital Budgets and Financing, Division of Finance and Planning, Charlie Fitzsimons; Director of Facilities Planning and Programming, University Architect Derek Gruner; Executive Associate Athletics Director Kevin O'Connell; Associate Athletics Director Marcy Girton; Chief Financial Officer, Department of Athletics, Jeff Tallant; Vice Provost and Executive Dean for Extended Campus Chris P. Plyler; Associate Professor in the Department of Educational Leadership and Policies, College of Education, Zach Kelehear; Director of State Relations Trey Walker; Special Assistant to the President J. Cantey Heath, Jr.; Chair of the Faculty Senate Patrick D. Nolan; Director of Governmental and Community Relations and Legislative Liaison Shirley D. Mills; Director of Media Relations, Office of Communications, Margaret Lamb; Executive Assistant, Facilities Planning and Construction, Donna Collins; Project Manager, Department of Facilities, Ann Derrick; Matt Short of SRS Engineering LLC; Doug Quackenbush and Barbara Haller, of Quackenbush Architects; Donald Stockman and Ken Timmerman of Kyzer and Timmerman

Structural Engineers; Scott Garvin of Garvin Design Group; Tom McNeish, Brian D'Amico, and Laura Self of Elliott Davis LLC; University Technology Services Production Manager, Justin Johnson; Board staff members Terri Saxon, Vera Stone, and Karen Tweedy; and members of the press.

Chairman Buyck called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Ms. Lamb introduced a member of the media who was in attendance.

Mr. Adams stated that 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 electronically posted for the Committee; and a quorum was present to conduct business.

I. Phase II Project Approvals:

Mr. Adams called on Mr. Quasney to present the following projects.

A. <u>Softball Stadium Construction</u>: This project is to construct a new women's softball stadium. Work would include demolition of the existing softball stands and support structures and construction of new top-loading stadium seating that would connect to the pedestrian spine of the Athletic Village Complex. The current stadium seats approximately 700 fans. The new stadium would provide 1,350 permanent seats. In addition to new seating, the project would also include construction of restrooms, a press box, concession facilities, lighting, backstop netting, dugouts, batting cage facility, and team locker rooms.

The new stadium will provide a competitive venue for women's softball, addressing equity in athletic facilities for women with amenities similar to and of the same quality as those in the baseball stadium.

The anticipated budget for the project is \$8 million with construction to be completed by February 2013.

Mr. Adams called for a motion to fund Phase II design and construction for a total project budget of \$8.0 million funded with \$7,880,000 in Athletic Revenue Bonds and \$120,000 in Athletic Operating Funds. Mr. Lister so moved and Mr. Cofield seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

The University hereby declares its official intent, pursuant to Federal Regulations, to reimburse itself from the amount of proceeds of the tax-exempt bond issue.

B. Williams-Brice Stadium Video Board Support Construction:

This project is to construct the structural support for a new video board at Williams-Brice Stadium. The project will also include installation of the electrical and data infrastructure required to support operation of the new board. The video board and associated video equipment will be procured competitively through the Consolidated Procurement Code. The structure will span the Kay and Eddie Floyd Football Building in the north end zone.

The new board would replace the current scoreboard in the north end zone and will play live game action, video, serve as a scoreboard, and support advertising. The

projected size of the board is 36' high \times 124' long. The current scoreboard is too small to be viewed by many spectators at the stadium and does not allow for high-definition video.

The anticipated budget for the project is \$6.5 million with construction to be completed by August 2012.

Mr. Adams called for a motion to fund Phase II design and construction for a total project budget of \$6.5 million funded with Private Funds. Mr. Hubbard so moved and Mr. von Lehe seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

The University hereby declares its official intent, pursuant to Federal Regulations, to reimburse itself from the amount of proceeds of the tax-exempt bond issue.

Mr. Adams recognized Mr. Quasney who presented an update to the Assembly Street Safety Improvement Project. He explained that as a result of the Board's questions at the September 16th meeting regarding this project he hired SRS Engineering to conduct a pedestrian safety study of the Assembly Street project area which included the Assembly Street crossings at Greene Street and Devine Street; the tunnel from the Law School, Blossom Street, and the overhead pedestrian crossing. SRS Engineering conducted a twelve hour count on a Tuesday and a Wednesday. Their study noted that approximately 3,000 pedestrians crossed Assembly at Greene daily. That was a very conservative estimate of the number of pedestrian crossings anticipated when new Darla Moore School of Business (DMSB) opened, when this number would increase to approximately 12,000 daily.

On a more focused level, during peak crossings, the maximum number of platoons crossing during one light change was about 20 students. When the DMSB opens, SRS estimated that this number would increase to 65 students crossing during one light change, and during a class change that number could double. The existing crosswalk was not designed to safely allow that much pedestrian traffic to cross at this intersection. The center landing could only safely hold a handful of students.

Mr. Quasney said that he was surprised to learn that the tunnel got a fair amount of usage also. At times the pedestrian count was nearly equal to the Assembly Street crossing, so he said that they would look at improvements to this area as well, but this area did not present a safety issue. The survey also looked at the flyovers on Assembly and Blossom and found that they were underutilized, with only about 50 uses per hour each.

There being no other business, Mr. Adams declared the meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas L. Stepp Secretary