MINUTES OF THE MEETING of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA

The Board of Trustees of the University of South Alabama met on Tuesday, June 15, 1976, in Room 224 of the University Center, commencing at 12:30 p.m.

There were present: Messrs. Ernest G. Cleverdon, Roland Cooper, Ed Dannelly, Aubrey Green, Mayer Mitchell, Sam Sawyer, John Tyson, Charles Woods, Mrs. Earl Goodwin, Mrs. Antoinette Watson and President Frederick P. Whiddon. Visiting at the meeting were Dr. Howard Phillips, Dr. A. J. Donovan, Dr. Ron Beller, Mr. Wm. Pipas and Miss Maxey Roberts.

Mr. Charles Woods delivered an appropriate invocation for Divine guidance.

Mr. Cleverdon stated that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order. He presented the first item on the agenda, bids on the proposed Animal Research Facility (Phase IV), and stated that the firm of Tom P. Ollinger, General Contractor, approved as low bidder at the meeting of May 18, 1976, had informed the Office of Development that there was an error in his bid occasioned partly by the relatively brief notice he had on an addendum of added changes by the architect. Dr. Whiddon pointed out that he felt the bid was too high and recommended that the bids be thrown out and the project rebid. Mr. Tyson agreed and made the motion to reconsider the action of the Board to award the bid to the Ollinger firm. The motion was seconded by Mr. Woods and approved. Then Mr. Tyson made the motion to lay the action of the Board awarding Mr. Ollinger's firm the bid on the table and reject all bids with new bids sought with possible new designs. A discussion followed in which Mr. Pipas stated that he felt \$58.00 per square foot was extremely high for the building and would consider something under \$50.00 per square foot a better price.

Mr. Fred Wood and Mr. Tom Steber, architects on the building, were invited into the meeting for the purpose of answering questions and after they left the meeting, further discussion was held. Upon being put to vote, the motion by Mr. Tyson to lay the action of the Board awarding the bid to the Ollinger firm on the table, reject all bids and seek new ones with possible new designs was approved with those voting in favor of the motion, Mrs. Goodwin, Mrs. Watson, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Sawyer, Mr. Tyson and Mr. Woods. Voting against the motion was Mr. Dannelly and Mr. Cooper. Mr. Green abstained from voting.

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of May 13, 1976 and the Board of Trustees meetings of March 20, April 3 and May 18 were presented for discussion and possible approval. It was stated that these minutes were mailed to the trustees prior to the meeting. Upon the motion of Mr. Dannelly, seconded by Mr. Sawyer, they were unanimously approved with a change in the

March 20th minutes to read that Mr. Cooper voted against the Travel Fund resolution which authorized an additional \$25,000.00 to the existing \$3,273.00 to provide for advancement of funds to faculty and staff who must travel on University business.

President Whiddon recommended to the Board that he be given authority to announce at 8 p.m. on this evening, June 15, 1976, the appointment of Dr. Harold Rodriguez as Dean of the College of Engineering at a banquet to be held at that time for the purpose of announcing the change from Division of Engineering to the College of Engineering. Upon the motion of Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Cooper, it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Cleverdon stated that the Report from the Examiners of Public Accounts as of January, 1976, was mailed to the Trustees.

President Whiddon recommended the following faculty members for tenure and for promotion, and upon the motion of Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Dannelly, they were unanimously approved:

TENURE

ARTS AND SCIENCES

- Dr. David M. Dean, Department of Biology
- Dr. Harold Baldwin, Department of Philosophy
- Dr. John Buckley, Department of Philosophy
- Dr. Robert Beyers, Department of Biology
- Dr. J. F. Fitzpatrick, Department of Biology
- Dr. James Langdon, Department of Biology
- Dr. R. Michael Malek, Department of History
- Dr. Suzanne McGill, Department of Mathematics
- Dr. Terrence Mizell, Department of Sociology
- Mr. George Simpson, Department of Mathematics
- Mr. Noel R. Stowe, Department of Anthropology
- Dr. George C. H. Sun, Department of Philosophy

BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT STUDIES

- Dr. Semoon Chang, Department of Economics
- Dr. Fred A. Petro, Department of Accounting

EDUCATION

- Mr. Billy Beane, Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation
- Dr. J. Jeffrey Grill, Department of Special Education
- Mr. E. Turner Rogers, Department of Art Education
- Dr. Mary Beth Culp, Department of Secondary Education

ENGINEERING

Dr. Russell M. Hayes, Department of Electrical Engineering

PROMOTION

ARTS AND SCIENCES

- Dr. Thomas Brennan, Department of English, to Associate Professor
- Dr. Victor Cook, Department of Dramatic Arts, to Professor
- Dr. Lloyd Dendinger, Department of English, to Professor
- Dr. James Dorrill, Department of English, to Associate Professor
- Dr. Robert Farnaro, Department of Sociology, to Associate Professor
- Dr. A. Taber Green, Department of History, to Professor
- Dr. Malcolm Griffin, Department of Music, to Associate Professor
- Dr. Leonard Macaluso, Department of History, to Associate Professor
- Dr. Leon Mattics, Department of Mathematics, to Professor
- Dr. Melton McLaurin, Department of History, to Professor
- Dr. Joseph Mele, Department of Speech Communication, to Professor
- Mrs. Linda Schele, Department of Art, to Associate Professor
- Dr. Richard Stafford, Department of Psychology, to Professor
- Dr. William Speck, Department of History, to Professor
- Dr. Faustin Weber, Department of Physics, to Professor
- Dr. Aaron Williams, Department of Geology/Geography, to Associate Professor
- Dr. G. R. Wilson, Jr., Department of English, to Professor and Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences

BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT STUDIES

- Dr. Semoon Chang, Department of Economics, to Associate Professor
- Dr. Thomas Wood, Department of Accounting, to Professor

EDUCATION

Dr. J. Jeffrey Grill, Department of Special Education, to Associate Professor Dr. Jean Watts, Department of HPER, to Professor

ENGINEERING

- Dr. Russell Hayes, Department of Electrical Engineering, to Professor
- Dr. William McNeill, Department of Mechanical Engineering, to Professor

The next agenda item was the awarding of bid on the switchgear and transformer on the central plant, and Dr. Whiddon asked Mr. Pipas to speak to the subject. Mr. Pipas said funding for the project was approved by the Board in an earlier meeting and that this bid involves the switchgear and transformer in connection with central utilities expansion. Bids received are as follows:

l.	Springhill Lighting & Supply, Inc.	\$54,319.00
2.	Hill-Soberg Company, Inc.	56,051.50
3.	General Electric Company	69,884.00
4.	Turner Supply Company	72,281.00

He said J. B. Converse Engineering Company recommended that the bid be awarded to the Springhill Lighting and Supply Company for \$54,319.00 and

that in his opinion it was a good bid and one within Mr. Pipas' estimate of the project. After discussion and upon the motion of Mr. Green, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, it was unanimously approved that the bid for the switchgear and transformer for the central utilities expansion be awarded to the Springhill Lighting and Supply Company for \$54,319.00.

Mr. Pipas stated that bids have been received for modifications on the building to accommodate the M. E. Scanner in the Department of Radiology. They are as follows:

1.	Cropp Construction Company	\$35,397.00
2.	Sergeant Major Construction Company	38,858.00
3.	Stuart Construction Company	38.911.00

The bids include not only the building modifications but the electrical and mechanical equipment for the room. He recommended that the Cropp Construction Company be awarded the bid for \$35,397.00 and upon the motion of Mr. Tyson, seconded by Mr. Sawyer, it was unanimously approved.

Upon the motion of Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Tyson, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

WHEREAS, the student demand for dormitory housing has increased at a rapid rate during the past two years, and

WHEREAS, additional dormitory space is urgently required to meet this demand for housing, and thereby serve the needs of students recruited from beyond commuting distance of the University, and

WHEREAS, a dormitory construction project to provide additional dormitory housing on campus has been approved by the Board of Trustees of the University, and

WHEREAS, Phase I of the project has been initiated so that approximately 240 student housing spaces will be available on or about September 15, 1976.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a temporary interfund loan of \$1,802,614 be provided from existing capital fund balances to fund Phase I of the dormitory construction project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said loan be repaid from the proceeds of a bond issue, in progress, at such time as such proceeds are received by the University.

Upon the motion of Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Sawyer, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

WHEREAS, the Attorney General of the State of Alabama has handed down certain opinions holding that it is permissable to expend State funds to pay premiums on certain types of liability insurance, and

WHEREAS, the State "Immunity Laws" do not cover employees who must use rent-a-car services in the discharge of their assigned duties, in out of state travel, and

WHEREAS, the standard rent-a-car contracts contain a reasonable collision insurance provision.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the standard rent-a-car insurance collision provision is and shall be recognized as a reimbursable expense item on the travel voucher of employees, on out of state travel, provided it cannot be negotiated, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the published travel regulations reflect this type expense as reimbursable cost to the employee traveling for and on behalf of the University of South Alabama.

Mr. Cleverdon stated that the next resolution is necessary because a program in Family Practice has been set up in Troy, Alabama, and there is need for a bank account in that city. Upon the motion of Mr. Dannelly, seconded by Mr. Woods, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

RESOLVED, that the First Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Troy, Troy, Alabama, be and are hereby authorized to honor and to pay all checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money drawn by this public body corporate, including those drawn to the individual order of any person or persons whose names appear thereon as signer thereof, when bearing or purporting to bear the facsimile signature(s) of any of the following persons, to wit:

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and the said bank shall be entitled to honor and to charge this public body corporate for all checks, drafts or other orders, for the payment of money, regardless of by whom or by what means the actual or purporting facsimile signature(s) thereon may have been affixed thereto if such signature(s) resemble the facsimile specimen(s) from time to time filed with the banks, by the secretary or other officer of this public body corporate and this public body corporate agrees and will release said bank from liability on account of payment by it of any such checks, drafts or

other orders for the payment of money, and does hereby agree to save said bank harmless from loss incurred by it as a result thereof.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that each and every resolution of this public body corporate previously adopted designating other or different persons so to act on behalf of this public body corporate with respect of such funds of the Institution is hereby revoked and superseded, and the persons named in the instant resolution shall be the sole persons henceforth so authorized to act for and on behalf of this Institution.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that said bank be furnished with certified copy of this resolution and be hereby authorized to deal with the herein above named individual(s) under such authority unless and until it be expressly notified in writing to the contrary by this public body corporate, and shall in writing acknowledge receipt of such notification; and said bank shall at all times be protected in recognizing as such officers and representatives the person(s) named in a certificate signed by the secretary of this public body corporate.

President Whiddon stated that since the firm of Norman H. Grider, Architect, was approved as one of the architects for the University's next projects, he recommended that this firm be approved for the renovation of the interior of a building at the Educational Research and Development Center to accommodate 50 to 60 students for the Fall Quarter, 1976. Upon the motion of Mr. Tyson, seconded by Mr. Sawyer, it was unanimously approved.

Upon the motion of Mr. Sawyer, seconded by Mrs. Watson, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

WHEREAS, in the process of administering the University's investment funds, there is an occasional need to purchase stock certificates for the Endowment Fund, and

WHEREAS, only specified University funds can be directed into this type of purchase.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following officers be identified as the authorized agents of this Board to purchase and/or sell stock certificates:

Ernest G. Cleverdon Frederick P. Whiddon

Upon the motion of Mr. Tyson, seconded by Mrs. Watson, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

WHEREAS, the College of Medicine has become one of the major segments of the University, and

WHEREAS, the official seal of the University of South Alabama is the certifying medium to execute those certain documents of the University of South Alabama, and

WHEREAS, the Office of Academic Affairs within the College of Medicine is required to officially certify many documents that are unique to the medical profession, such as

- 1. The awarding of the M.D. degrees
- 2. Awarding graduate degrees
- 3. The re-certifying of each graduate following each transfer to the administration in the new locale
- 4. Papers to the American Medical Association
- 5. To certain specialty boards and learned societies.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a second official seal of the University be authorized for the use within the Office of Academic Affairs, College of Medicine.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the full authority for the use of this seal be invested in and under the direction of the Dean of the College of Medicine.

Upon the motion of Mr. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Dannelly, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

WHEREAS, on April 28, 1976, the College of Business and Management Studies at the University of South Alabama obtained national accreditation for its undergraduate program from the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business, and

WHEREAS, receipt of such accreditation upon the first attempt is an uncommon if not rare achievement, and

WHEREAS, the College, among the youngest programs in the United States, was one of only eleven institutions accredited out of thirty-one which applied this year, and

WHEREAS, the accomplishment places the University's business curriculum in an elite group of some 160 undergraduate programs approved

out of 630 in the nation, and one of four in the State of Alabama, and

WHEREAS, the College, in its nine years of existence, has awarded 1,157 undergraduate and 108 graduate degrees, and

WHEREAS, the said accreditation of the undergraduate program significantly enhances the probability of early approval of the College's Master of Business Administration curriculum, and

WHEREAS, full accreditation of the College of Business and Management Studies is accompanied by eligibility for the University to apply for chapters of Beta Gamma Sigma, the recognized academic business fraternity whose membership is composed of the top five percent of the nation's business students, and Beta Alpha Psi, the national accounting honorary.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that by reason of the aforestated outstanding success of the College of Business and Management Studies, Dean Donald C. Mosley, for his extra-ordinary leadership, and his administrative staff and faculty, for their expertise and creative dedication, merit and are hereby accorded high praise and sincere appreciation on the part of the Board of Trustees and the President of the University of South Alabama, all of whom view the attainment as reflecting a remarkable advance in the recognition of the University as a major institution of higher learning.

Upon the motion of Mr. Tyson, seconded by Mr. Dannelly, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the University of South Alabama constitutes a public body corporate under the name of the University of South Alabama, in accordance with Act No. 157, Acts of Alabama 1963, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the University of South Alabama has been invested with all the rights, privileges and authority necessary to establish, promote and maintain the University of South Alabama, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the University of South Alabama met in a special meeting on March 20, 1976, in the conference room on the third floor of the Mastin Building at the University of South Alabama Medical Center, and

WHEREAS, the meeting held on the 15th day of June, 1976, is the regular annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of South Alabama to be held in accordance with Section 6 of Act No. 157, Acts of Alabama 1963.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the University of South Alabama acting pursuant to the authority granted it

under Act No. 157, Acts of Alabama 1963, hereby reaffirms and ratifies all actions brought before and approved by those members of the Board of Trustees of the University of South Alabama present at the special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of South Alabama held on March 20, 1976, in the conference room on the third floor of the Mastin Building at the University of South Alabama Medical Center.

A lengthy discussion was held regarding whether borrowing $3\frac{1}{4}$ million dollars on a bond issue for financing the dormitories or borrowing $6\frac{1}{2}$ million dollars to finance the dormitories and various projects in the University over the next few years should be authorized. There were various opinions. Mr. Green felt that because of the element of growth in interest rates, the University could save by authorizing the larger amount. Mr. Woods thought the University should not commit itself to more than it has plans for and felt it should be considered thoroughly before making a final decision. Mr. Tyson felt until the University could obtain more financial support, it would be good to have a nest egg.

Dr. Whiddon stated that $3\frac{1}{4}$ million dollars is necessary immediately to finance the dormitories, and a decision must be forthcoming now in order to have ample time in which to gather financial information for preparing the bond papers. He pointed out that if the larger amount is approved, that the additional money could be invested and earning interest while not in use on the various projects within the University. He felt, also, that the University should take advantage of the low interest rate in the next sixty days and that the University should not go beyond $6\frac{1}{2}$ million dollars because the annual payment is well below fifty percent of tuition on fee income. He said that as Mr. Cleverdon stated earlier, the issue is whether to apply for $3\frac{1}{4}$ million now and another $3\frac{1}{4}$ million dollars in a few years or apply for $6\frac{1}{2}$ million dollars now.

Upon being put to vote, Mrs. Goodwin, Mrs. Watson, Messrs. Dannelly, Green, Mitchell and Tyson voted to authorize the issuance of $6\frac{1}{2}$ million dollars in bonds to finance the dormitories and other additions and improvements in the University. Voting no were Messrs. Sawyer and Woods, and declining to vote was Mr. Cooper. Mr. Cleverdon declared the motion passed by a majority vote.

Dr. Whiddon reported to the Board that the University was continuing in its compliance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 pursuant to Board authorization.

President Whiddon presented the Annual Report, 1975-76, and copies of the report were distributed and are attached to the minutes as Addendum No. 1.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously approved, the meeting adjourned at approximately 5:00~p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Ernest G. Cleverdon

Vice President of the Board

ATTEST:

Aubrey Green

Secretary