

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT PEMBROKE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Thursday, September 20, 2018 at 3:30 PM**

The special called meeting of the University of North Carolina at Pembroke Board of Trustees was held via teleconference. This special called meeting was properly noticed in accordance with State law. Chairman Don Metzger called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called and the following Trustees were present via phone:

Don Metzger
Pat Corso
Alphonzo McRae
Bob Caton
Mary Ann Elliott
Allison Harrington
Allen Jamerson
George Little
Karen Sampson
Larry Stone
Omar Torres

Absent:
Wiley Barrett
Jim Thomas

Also in attendance via phone: Chancellor Robin G. Cummings; Provost David Ward, vice chancellor for Academic Affairs; Lisa Schaeffer, vice chancellor for Student Affairs; Stewart Thomas, vice chancellor for Finance and Administration; Bryan Robinson, vice chancellor for Advancement; Dick Christy, director of Athletics; Jodi Phelps, executive director for University Communications and Marketing; Julie Smith, assistant to the chancellor for external affairs; Joshua D. Malcolm, general counsel and assistant secretary to the Board of Trustees; and recording secretary to the Board of Trustees Tina Rodgers, office of the general counsel.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Chancellor Cummings introduced Travis Bryant, associate vice chancellor for Campus Safety and Emergency Operations, David Hatch, assistant vice chancellor for Facilities, and Scott Billingsley, associate provost.

ETHICS STATEMENT

Chairman Metzger reminded the Trustees of their duty under the State Government Ethics Act to avoid conflicts of interest and /or the appearance of a conflict of interest. Trustees were asked to refer to the printed statement. No member made known any conflicts of interest.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

HURRICANE FLORENCE UPDATE

Chancellor Cummings provided a brief overview of the progress being made to clean up campus. He then recognized several members of administration to provide more thorough briefings.

Travis Bryant stated the area received between 24-27 inches of rain during the hurricane. The Lumber River was reported to have reached a level of 24'9", which is 11 feet above flood stage. While campus sustained considerable flooding by Sunday, the majority of the water had receded by Tuesday. Mr. Bryant stated he will be taking a tour of routes to campus to examine their accessibility, and that most routes have been cut off with the exception of those from Raeford. Counties to the west received a tremendous amount of rain and more flooding of the Lumber River is expected from that water runoff. Mr. Bryant stated authorities are anticipating the Lumber River to crest again on Sunday.

Mr. Bryant went on to add eight police officers from other UNC schools have been assisting the UNCP Campus Police during this time.

David Hatch stated the university received support from facilities crews from several sister institutions like Chapel Hill and NC State, and corporate partners like Metcon. He went on to say improved drainage systems at the Entrepreneurship Hub (Incubator) resulted in only minor damage in comparison to that damage sustained during Matthew. First responders are being housed in the Jones Center auxiliary gym, which has generator power only for lighting. Mr. Hatch recommended improvements should be made to the generator system to facilitate other functions in the building like hot water and laundry services.

Mr. Hatch went on to say 10 trees were lost due to the hurricane. The most impacted building was Locklear Hall, with no serious damage to other academic buildings that would prevent students returning on Tuesday, Sept. 25. He stated Facilities is currently awaiting delivery of parts to repair a chiller for the UC Annex, which are expected to arrive by Sunday.

Provost Ward reported that less than three dozen students remained on campus during the hurricane, and a few international students were transported to some of our sister institutions. He stated the System Office is leading discussions with state officials regarding the relaxation of credit hour obligations because of the time lost due to the hurricane.

Provost Ward stated, in addition, Academic Affairs leadership is developing a plan to extend the semester by one week with final exams ending Dec. 14. The Registrar's Office is working to adjust deadlines and revise the current academic calendar. Under the new plan, faculty will be required to submit a revised syllabus by Oct. 1. Students with extenuating circumstances and who need to complete the semester by Dec. 7, will be required to submit a written request by Oct. 15. Cancellation of fall break is being considered, but no decision has been made at this point.

Chancellor Cummings stated, with consideration being given to the anticipated additional flooding of the river, the university is considering reopening next Thursday, Sept. 27. He also stated the university is expected to move to Condition 1 status for employees on Monday.

Mr. Malcolm spoke regarding the facilities use agreement with the county in that the university would function as a staging area for emergency response personnel who will be assisting with rescue and recovery efforts during and after the hurricane. Groups from across the nation have been housed in the Jones Center auxiliary gym since the hurricane began. Mr. Malcolm stated Sodexo is providing first responders with hot meals twice daily.

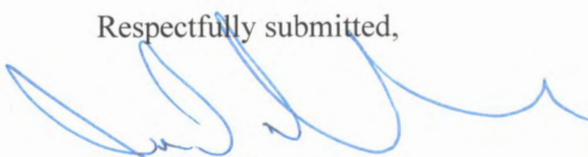
Dick Christy spoke about the impact of the hurricane on the athletics schedule. He stated personnel are looking at relocating teams, like soccer and cross-country, to off-site facilities for practices and a few upcoming competitions. The next home competition for soccer is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 24, and will take place at Meredith College in Raleigh. Mr. Christy stated the last two football games were cancelled. The cancellations are within the minimum allowed by the NCAA whereby the football team will remain eligible for post-season competition.

Chancellor Cummings and the administration then received and answered several follow-up questions.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Metzger thanked the trustees for their time and made a privileged motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Joshua D. Malcolm
Assistant Secretary



Tina R. Rodgers
Recording Secretary