

**MINUTES OF THE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA (MUSC)  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
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MAY 14, 2021**

The MUSC Board of Trustees convened May 14, 2021, with the following board members present: Dr. James Lemon, Chair; Charles Schulze, Vice-Chair; Terri Barnes; Jim Battle; Bill Bingham; Dr. Melvin Brown; Dr. Fritz Butehorn; Dr. Guy Castles; Dr. Richard Christian; Dr. Paul Davis; Barbara Johnson-Williams; Dr. Murrell Smith; Michael Stavrinakis; Tom Stephenson and Dr. Bart Witherspoon. MUSC administrative officials present: Dr. David Cole; Kate Azizi; Dr. Patrick Cawley; Annette Drachman; Dr. Ray DuBois; Lisa Montgomery; Dr. Lisa Saladin; and Mark Sweatman.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**Item 1.            Call to Order.**

There being a quorum present, Chairman Lemon called the meeting to order.

**Item 2.            Roll Call for the MUHA and MUSC Board of Trustees.**

Mark Sweatman, Secretary, called the roll and made the following announcement, "In compliance with FOIA, notice of meetings and agendas were furnished to all news media and persons requesting notification."

**Item 3.            Date of Next Meeting.**

The dates of the next meetings of the MUSC and MUHA Board of Trustees are June 25, 2021, in Columbia, South Carolina and August 13, 2021, in Charleston, South Carolina.

**Item 4.            Approval of Minutes.**

Chairman Lemon called for a motion to the approve the minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting that was held April 9, 2021.

Board Action: A motion to approve was made by Mr. Schulze; the motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

**RECOMMENDATIONS AND INFORMATIONAL REPORTS OF THE PRESIDENT**

**Item 5.            Other Business.**

None.

**RESEARCH & INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE - CHAIR: MS. TERRI BARNES**

**Item 6.            Development Update.**

Kate Azizi, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, announced that year-to-date dollars raised are currently at \$41,231,383. She also discussed the impact of philanthropic support as it relates is to the Williamsburg / Lake City Community Hospital; the new College of Pharmacy

facility and also shared the story of Catherine Rea who became a part of the MUSC Health Living Donor Program as a result of her father's need for a kidney transplant. Two new staff members have joined the Office of Development, Anahita Modaresi, Director of Corporation and Foundation Relations and Brian Panique, Senior Director of Principal Gifts.

Ms. Azizi then introduced Ms. Lisa Montgomery, EVP for Finance & Operations, as her guest speaker. Prior to Ms. Montgomery making a few remarks, Ms. Azizi announced that Ms. Montgomery is making a blended gift including planned and outright support totaling over a one million dollars which is going to support scholarships for the College of Health Professions.

Ms. Montgomery said that when she came to MUSC in 1991, she made the decision to get into the College of Health Professions MHA program. Ms. Montgomery commented that the MHA program was a wonderful experience; is a tremendous program that is nationally known, and we should all be very proud of it. We have a lot of great students that come out of that program and stay at MUSC.

In closing, Ms. Montgomery thanked the Board and leadership for their support throughout her career at MUSC and made the following statement, "if my gift can help MHA student have a career that has been half as rewarding and enriching as mine, then my gift has been a success and I hit a homerun."

**Item 7.**      **Other Committee Business.**

None.

**EDUCATION, FACULTY & STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE - CHAIR: MS. BARBARA JOHNSON-WILLIAMS**

**Item 8.**      **Provost Report.**

Dr. Saladin opened with thanking the board on behalf of the students for allowing in-person commencement this year. The students and everyone else are excited for. Tomorrow's commencement will have 741 students graduating which are only the May graduates. Other programs have students graduating in August and December, which makes out total closer to 850. Dr. Saladin commented that with our programs continuing to expand, we will probably be at 900 soon.

Dr. Saladin then wanted to recognize Dr. Kathleen Brady, who is stepping down from her position as Vice President for Research in June after seven years. Dr. Brady is an internationally recognized psychiatrist with a research focus in the area of addictions and has been a faculty member at MUSC since 1988. She began her interim role leading research in 2014, accepting the role permanently in 2016 after a national search. Dr. Brady has been the top NIH research funded investigator on the MUSC campus for 12 consecutive years. She also was in the top 10 NIH-funded investigators in Departments of Psychiatry across the country for the past 12 years – and for four of those years, she was *the* top-funded faculty in any Department of Psychiatry in the U.S.

Dr. Brady thanked the board and administration for their support and commented there are very few places where you can work for 30 plus years and still have your career change and things continue to be exciting and am very grateful for the positions and opportunities given over the years.

Board Action: Received as information.

**Item 9. Changes to College of Health Professions (CHP) Tuition and Fees for FY2022**

Dr. Saladin presented for approval changes to CHP Tuition and Fees for FY2022.

Board Action: A roll call vote, requested by Ms. Johnson-Williams, was taken of the board members present and by unanimous vote, the changes to the College of Health Professions tuition and fees for FY2022 were approved.

**Item 10. Other Committee Business.**

None.

**FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE - CHAIR: MR. JAMES A. BATTLE, JR.**

**Item 11. Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) Financial Report.**

Mr. Patrick Wamsley, Chief Financial Officer, MUSC, gave an update on MUSC's financial status through March 2021.

Board Action: Received as information.

**Item 12. MUSC Physicians Financial Report.**

Ms. Eva Greenwood, Chief Financial Officer, MUSC Physicians, gave an update on MUSC Physician's financial status through March 2021.

Board Action: Received as information.

**Item 13. Other Committee Business.**

None.

**OTHER BUSINESS FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Item 14. Approval of Consent Agenda.**

Approval of the consent agenda was requested.

Board Action: Mr. Schulze made a motion for the approval of the consent agenda in its entirety. The motion was seconded, voted on and unanimously carried.

**Item 15. Executive Session.**

Mr. Jim Battle made a motion for the Board of Trustees to move into closed session to discuss the following items pursuant to sections 30-4-70(a) of the South Carolina Code:

- Negotiations of pending contracts related to the expansion of clinical services and possible sale or purchase of real property, and

- Receipt of legal advice concerning liabilities; claims, or other matters covered by the attorney/client privilege.

Board Action: The motion made by Mr. Battle was seconded and unanimously carried. Chairman Lemon announced that the Board of Trustees will move into closed session following the conclusion of the MUSC Board of Trustees Regular Agenda.

**Item 16.      New Business for the Board of Trustees.**

None.

**Item 17.      Report from the Chairman.**

None.

**EDUCATION, FACULTY & STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**Item 18.      Conferring of Degrees (Consent Item).**

Approval was requested to confer degrees upon those candidates who, pending successful completion of all requirements for their degrees by the conclusion of the spring semester, have the recommendation of their college dean and faculty.

Board Action: Ms. Johnson-Williams moved for approval; the motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

**Item 19.      Distinguished University Professor.**

The following appointment to Distinguished University Professor was presented for approval:

**Kit Simpson, D.Ph.**, Distinguished University Professor, effective May 14, 2021.

Board Action: Ms. Johnson-Williams moved for approval; the motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

**Item 20.      SmartState Endowed Chair Appointments.**

The following SmartState Endowed Chair Appointments were presented for approval.

**Vanessa K. Hinson, M.D., Ph.D.**, appointed to the Josephine Tucker Morse Endowed Professor in Parkinson's Disease Research, in the Neuroscience SmartState Center, effective July 1, 2020.

**Gonzalo Revuelta, MSc, DO**, appointed to the SmartState Endowed Chair in Neuro-degenerative Diseases in the Neuroscience SmartState Center, effective July 1, 2020.

Board Action: Ms. Johnson-Williams moved for approval; the motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

**Item 21.**      **Faculty Appointments.**

The following faculty appointment was presented for approval:

**James Kevin Elsey, M.D.**, as Affiliate Professor, in the Department of Surgery, Division of General. Surgery, effective March 1, 2021.

Board Action: Ms. Johnson-Williams moved for approval; the motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

**Item 22.**      **Professor Emerita Appointment.**

The appointment of **Alison Catherin Smith, DVM**, from Professor to Professor Emerita, in the Department of Comparative Medicine, effective July 1, 2021, was presented for approval.

Board Action: Ms. Johnson-Williams moved for approval; the motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

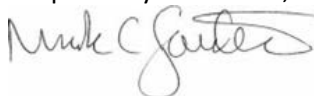
**Item 23.**      **Corrections to Faculty Promotions.**

The following corrections to faculty promotions from the April 2021 were presented for approval:

Board Action: Ms. Johnson-Williams moved for approval; the motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

There being no further business, the meeting of the MUSC Board of Trustees was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark C. Sweatman, Secretary