

MINUTES  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS  
APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY

May 20, 2015  
Paragon Bank  
Raleigh, North Carolina

CALL TO ORDER: The Board of Visitors of Appalachian State University met at the call of the Chair on Wednesday May 20, 2015, at 9:39 a.m. in the Paragon Bank conference room in Raleigh, NC. Mr. Tom Lawson, Chair, presided and called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mary Elizabeth Barwick  
James Broyhill  
Frank Gentry  
Bob Hatley  
April Kappler  
Tom Lawson  
Doug Miskew  
Virginia Parker  
Jim Harrell  
Pat Anderson  
Laura Aiken  
Paul Brown  
Jim Harrell  
Steve Metcalf

CONSTITUENCY REPRESENTATIVES  
PRESENT (*ex-officio*):

Stephanie Billings

OTHERS PRESENT :

Beth Alexander  
Lexi Condon  
Geoff Graham  
Dayton Cole  
Cindy Wallace  
Susan McCracken  
Patrick Setzer  
Rob Sanders  
Maryam Ahmed  
Denise Martz  
Audrey Brown  
Courtney Rogers

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Steve Wyatt  
Vaughn Hayes  
Michelle Lewis  
Fernando Little  
Edward Reeder  
Reba Moretz  
Four Eggers  
Tasse Little  
Susan Mills  
Andrea Breazeale  
Chris Swecker  
Sheri Everts  
Clark Bierbaum  
Ruth Bierbaum

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of March 3, 2015 had been delivered to all members via email. There being no corrections, upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the meeting were approved as presented.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Chair Lawson explained the election process for appointing new members and how to name new officers. Doug Miskew was nominated for Chair and Mary Elizabeth Barwick was nominated for Vice Chair. There were not enough members to form a quorum so an email ballot is to be sent out at a later date.

NEW MEMBERSHIP: Chair explained the new membership that is available. Turned over to Susan and she explained the different ideals that the Board of Visitors that represents.

GRADUATE EDUCATION PRESENTATION: Introduced by Susan McCracken. Turned over to Dr. Rob Sanders. Dr. Sanders provided an overview of graduate education at Appalachian. Two graduate students presented their research. Courtney Rogers presents on Clinical Health Psychology. Audrey Brown presents on Cellular Molecular Biology. Drs. Denise Martz, Psychology, and Maryam Ahmed, Biology, provided an overview of the role faculty play in supporting student

IBACKAPP REPORT: Report given by Patrick Setzer. Patrick provided an overview of the success of the second iBackApp campaign, new donors increased again this year. And again, the fundraising goal was met.

ALUMNI COUNCIL REPORT:

Stephanie Billings provide a summary of the priorities for the 2015-16 Alumni Council. She provided an overview of the general work that the Council does and discussed the responsibilities of the alumni board.

LEGISLATIVE OUTREACH: Susan reviewed the budgets and informed board of the priorities of the UNC system. She used two handouts and explained the state funding and budget. Susan opened the floor to questions.

RECOGNITION OF RETIRING MEMEBERS: Susan thanks members and attendance. Susan recognized the following: Jim Harrell, Pat Anderson, Tom Lawson, Tasse Little, Steve Metcalf.

CLOSING REMARKS: Chair Lawson opened the floor for any additional comments. Chair Lawson thanked the members for attending, announced that the next meeting will be October 2, 2015 in Boone, and gave his final closing remarks to the Board.

The meeting adjourned at 12:22 p.m. Lunch was served following the meeting.