

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.