## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

East Carolina University November 22, 2013

The Board of Trustees met in regular session in the Great Rooms at Mendenhall Student Center on the campus of East Carolina University. In compliance with the State Government Ethics Act, e chair of the Board, Robert Brinkley called the meeting to order and asked if anyone has a conflict of interest. No conflicts were identified.

Mr. Brinkley introduced Army ROTC Cadet Brooke Loftis, a freshman Peachland, NC, majoring in Biology and Army ROTC Cadet Curtis Dean, a sophomore from Fayetteville, NC, majoring in Health and Fitness to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Brinkley then called on secretary of the board, Edwin Clark, to call the roll:

Members Present

Robert Brinkley

Mark Copeland

Edwin Clark

Vern Davenport

Deborah Davis

Steve Jones

Max Joyner

Carol Mabe

**Bob Plybon** 

Danny Scott

Tim Schwan

Terry Yeargan

Members Absent Bobby Owens

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Brinkley asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the Board meeting on September 20, 2013. Mr. Joyner moved approval of the minutes. Ms. Mabe seconded the motion. The motion passed with no negative votes.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

Mr. Clark read a motion to go into closed session. The motion was approved as read. Following the closed session, the board returned to open session.

## **UNIVERSITY REPORTS**

## CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Dr. Ballard gave his remarks to the board. A full text version of the Chancellor's remarks is attached as "Attachment A."

### REPORT FROM THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Mr. Henry Hinton, a member of the UNC Board of Governors delivered remarks to the Board of Trustees. Mr. Hinton said there was a large learning curve coming from the business world to the world of academia. He is constantly looking for ways to educate himself so he can serve the Board of Governors most appropriately. New Board of Governor members have visited many of the system campuses and he is impressed with the work going on across the UNC System. At the last Board of Governors meeting, the State Auditor presented the UNC System Audit and it was very positive. The Board of Governors are also getting ready to tackle the daunting task of tuition and fees.

Mr. Hinton says he serves on the Educational Planning and Policy Committee. This committee approves all new programs. He also serves on the Public Affairs Committee, which is the University's link to the legislature. Finally, he serves on the University Award Committee. ECU has never won the distinguished University Award. Mr. Hinton said that he wants ECU to be well represented at the April University Award presentation. President Ross has asked Henry

Hinton to take a look at UNC TV. The goal of this review would be to determine how to best utilize UNC-TV to support the UNC system.

### REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE FACULTY

Dr. Mark Sprague delivered the report from the Faculty. Highlights of his remarks included "writing across the curriculum," UNC core competencies from the UNC Strategic Plan, Our Time, Our Future, and communication between faculty and the Board.

## REPORT FROM THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCATION

Tim Schwan, President of the Student Government Association gave the report from the SGA. Mr. Schwan said SGA went through a restructuring phase last year and this year they are in the implementation phase. Mr. Schwan strongly encourage Board to support the new Student Centers in for students to have a collaborative space. The new centers would be a huge recruiting tool and would aid in the mission of being a leadership university.

## REPORT FROM THE BOARD OF VISITORS

Terry Yeargan, Chair of the Board of Visitors and current Board of Trustee member, gave the report. Mr. Yeargan reviewed the November Board of Visitors meeting, including Dr. Niswander's presentation on Fiscal Sustainability, Coach Heather Macy from Women's Basketball, and Judge Arnold's historical presentation. Mr. Yeargan gave a summary of the committee work being done by the BOV.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## ATHLETICS & ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE

Edwin Clark, Chair of the Athletic & Advancement Committee, gave the report. A text version of his report is listed as Attachment B. There was one item that required Board attention. Mr. Clark moved that the Board approve the nomination of Mr. Michael Overton to the Board of Visitors Class of 2016, and Major General William Dutch Holland to the Board of Visitors Class of 2017, as presented in the Board materials. The motion was approved with no negative votes.

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Mark Copeland gave the Audit Committee report. A text version of her report is listed as "Attachment C." There were no items that needed action by the Board.

## FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Terry Yeargan, Chair of the Finance and Facilities Committee, gave the report from the committee. A text version of his report is listed as "Attachment D." There were several items that needed action by the Board.

Mr. Yeargan moved that the Board approve the request to grant a utility easement to Energy United at Davidson County Dental Clinic in accordance with the terms and conditions provided in board materials. The motion was approved with no negative votes.

Mr. Yeargan moved that the Board approve the request to grant a utility easement to

Duke Energy at Spruce Pines Dental Clinic in accordance with the terms and conditions provided
in board materials. The motion was approved with no negatives votes.

## **HEALTH SCIENCES**

Steve Jones, Chair of the Health Sciences Committee, gave the report from the committee. A text version of his report is listed as "Attachment E." There was one action item that required the board's attention.

Mr. Jones moved that the Board approve the ECU Physicians Clinical Faculty

Compensation Plan with the latitude to change the language once clarification has been received by UNC General Administration if approval is needed by the UNC Board of Governors. Motion unanimously passed.

### **UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS**

Deborah Davis, Chair of the University Advancement Committee, gave the report from the committee. She said that all business from the University Affairs Committee was discussed in closed session with the exception of one item. Ms. Davis made a motion that the candidates for degrees, as approved by the Chancellor and Faculty Senate, be authorized for conferral at the annual Fall commencement on Friday, December 13, 2013.

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Mr. Brinkley reviewed the tuition and fee discussion that took place in the Executive Committee on Thursday. Mr. Plybon made a motion to approve the tuition and fee recommendations as provided in board materials. Also the motion is to accept the recommendations of the housing fee increase as presented in board materials. The collective motion passed with no negative votes.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Brinkley adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Ayers Office of the ECU Board of Trustees

## **BOT REMARKS**

November, 2014

Thank you very much Mr. Brinkley. It is always a pleasure to talk about this university.

## **UNC TV**

Speaking of this great university, on November 26<sup>th</sup> UNC-TV will show a 6-minute documentary on ECU, as they will be doing for all UNC universities. What I like best about the documentary is that it captures who we and our authenticity... our commitment to **service**, to our **region**, and to **leadership**. Mary Schulken and her team coordinated this effort and she deserves high praise.

# <u>APLU</u>

I would like to say a brief word about the recently completed annual conference of the Association of Public and Land Grant Universities, or "APLU."

The is the professional association that represents all Land Grants and the major universities in each state... in other words the biggest and most prestigious universities in the country. It now includes Canadian universities and will soon include universities from Mexico.

The association is comprised of "Councils" representing substantive topics important to public universities and each council has a chair for that year. This year, ECU had one chair of the Outreach and Engagement council...Professor Beth Velde... and one outgoing chair, Nancy Ballard who is the past chair of the Spouses Council. Nancy is someone I know. Her chairmanship represents 9 continuous years of activity in this council. Previous chairs of the council have been from LSU and from the University of Missouri. In addition, Dr. Hardy is actively engaged in the Student Affairs Council, as I am with the Presidents' Council.

Both Nancy and Professor Velde chaired panel sessions on our service to the Military and both panels received significant attention...in part because we included students in the sessions and this fact was noted in the APLU web page with front page headlines. In addition, Jim Menke in Operation Re-Entry and Trish Golterman, who leads our Veterans Center, also made presentations that were well received.

While such professional organizations are not the only way to enhance our national reputation, I do believe that the hard work of Professor Velde, Nancy Ballard, all those associated with Operation Re-Entry, and many others has done much to improve our national standing among the nation's best public universities. That is certainly the feedback I received from numerous chancellors, representatives of the new American Athletic conference, and leaders at the conference, including Randy Woodson at State.

# **Tuition and Fees**

Our November meeting is always among the most important of the year because we make recommendations on Tuition and Fees. In these days and times, any increased cost for our students has to be taken very seriously.

Remember that we remain an excellent bargain among our 18 peers; ECU ranks 19<sup>th</sup> **or last** in total cost for undergraduate North Carolina residents. That doesn't mean we're cheap, it means that we use our resources wisely and we always try to balance the needs for quality programs, for student services, and cost. This year, we propose no across the board tuition or fee increase. We will seek approval for a debt service fee to fund two new student centers and a much needed parking deck, but this increase will be off-set this year by reductions we are making in other student fees, so our students would not see any higher costs until the fall of 2015, at the earliest.

# **Disruptive Technology**

My third topic is "distance education" and the use of disruptive technology...that is learning through internet-based courses. ECU has long been the system leader in the use of this technology and we're better now than ever. What has changed is that now almost every NC public university has this capacity, as do most large universities across the country. So, it is a very competitive market.

However, students learn differently today than ever before. So, we have pioneered a "flipped classroom" in the College of Business; this approach to learning is expanding across all colleges with, perhaps, the College of Business and the School of Dental Medicine leading the charge. Flipped classrooms use technology to teach the substantive material, largely outside of the classroom, and then use class time to improve such vital skills as problem solving and critical thinking.

In addition, ECU was recognized by the general administration by awarding funding to our proposal for a MOOC on "THE TRANSFORMATION OF ASIAN ECONOMIES." This course will teach

fundamental principles of macro-economics by examining the transformation of four Asian countries into world economic powers (including China and Singapore) and what we can learn from these four successes. The course launches this spring, 2014.

Every system university could compete for this award from the system office, so we are proud that ECU and its partner, UNC-Pembroke, won the competition and were awarded funding of \$50,000.

# **Academic Quality and Student Success**

I would like to return briefly to the question of building our reputation as a major public university. There are numerous ways to do so and my belief is that success only comes when you are aggressive across many fronts... it helps to win football championships, to present topics at the APLU conference, to build a major health science campus, and so on.

But the single most important way to improve is through great academic quality and doing all we can to ensure that our students graduate with useful degrees that have prepared them for tomorrow. I think all of you have seen our progress in numerous programs: for example, in nursing, allied health, medicine, teacher preparation, and the rapidly progressing Honors College.

We continue to build on this momentum and to reallocate resources to those programs that are best serving our students. We expect to build the quality and reputation across all colleges as we move forward.

Among the most significant opportunities are:

- Coastal Resources, where VC Mitchelson and dozens of faculty continue to make significant contributions to the Coastal Studies Institute;
- Engineering, where we expect to double the number of undergraduate engineering majors;

- The College of Business, where our accounting and finance programs continue to receive great praise.
- Expanding services to the military, including Operation Re-Entry
   North Carolina and the path-breaking research of Carmen
   Ruseniello on Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

Thank you for your attention and I would be happy to address any questions.

# Athletics & Advancement Committee November 21, 2013 Talking Points

Committee members present were Edwin Clark, Vern Davenport, Max Joyner, Bobby Owens and Bob Plybon. Other members present included Robert Brinkley, Deborah Davis, Carol Mabe and Tim Schwan.

# <u>Athletics</u>

## **Coach Update**

This meeting, our Coach's Update came from Women's Basketball Coach Heather Macy. Coach Macy talked specifically about the team's growth, both on the court and off the court. Her team is off to a 4-0 start and she was very enthusiastic about the community support of her team. She highlighted the recruitment efforts as well and gave an update on what the new basketball practice has meant for her team.

## **Athletic Strategic Plan**

As most of you are aware, the Athletics Department has been in the process of developing a strategic plan. In a quick review: active work began in September 2012 that would serve as a working three to five year strategic roadmap for ECU Athletics upon its completion. Todd Turner of Collegiate Sports Associates was engaged to work with ECU Athletics for this initiative.

The overall process has been inclusive and provided an opportunity for ownership across the university community. Over of 80 individuals representing athletics staff and coaches, student-athletes, university administration and faculty, ECU Student Government, Pirate Club, Board of Trustees and the community have participated in this strategic plan work.

Our committee received a draft of the public document that will be prepared for public release in late January 2014. Over the next two months, prior to its public release, this draft will be presented to key stakeholders, to include athletics staff, the University Athletics Committee, the Student Athlete Advisory Council, the Chancellor's Executive Council and the Pirate Club executive committee.

The final work included the mission, vision, core values statements (The Pirate Creed and Code), seven priority areas, fifteen goals, forty-nine strategies and 149 action steps.

We will hear more at the February meeting regarding implementation of the plan.

Our committee also had an in depth discussion about our brand identity and how that will change as we transition into the new American Athletic Conference. There is work going on now about putting together a brand identity that is consistent across the board, not a total remake, but consistent.

Nick Floyd gave a financial update and those materials are online for you to review.

Jeff Compher gave highlights from several sports, included an early signing update from men's basketball and national awards for Justin Hardy and Shane Carden from football. Shane Carden has been named CUSA player of the week 3 times this season. Jeff also recognized the women's volleyball team, under the direction of Julie Torbett, who had a 13-19 season, a significant improvement from the last few years.

# **University Advancement**

At the September meeting, I charged Max with reviewing the Naming Policy and make suggestions. Max gave an update on the process. He said that J Batt and Glen Gilbert are working to revise the policy and ensure the policy and procedures are clearly defined. The revisions of the policy will work to safeguard the authority of the Board of Trustees and adhere to the purpose of honoring individuals, raising money and promoting the University's tradition. We plan on reviewing a draft of that policy in February.

Dr. Glen Gilbert updated the members on the work being done to acquire a campus-wide list of all opportunities for naming. The list will illustrate the suggested price tag for each opportunity. This list will be presented to the Athletics and Advancement Committee Membership at the February meeting.

Dr. Rick Niswander informed the membership that a Vice Chancellor candidate is returning to campus next week for a second interview. We are hoping that someone will be identified by Spring of next year.

Dr. Locklear presented two nominations to fill vacancies in the Board of Visitors. The two nominees are Mr. Michael Overton to fill the vacancy in the Class of 2016 and General Dutch Holland to fill a vacancy in the Class of 2017.

With that, Mr. Chairman, I have one motion.

I move that the Board approve the nomination of Mr. Michael Overton to the Board of Visitors Class of 2016, and Major General William Dutch Holland to the Board of Visitors Class of 2017, as presented in the Board materials.

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Committee members present: Chair Mark Copeland, Carol Mabe, Terry Yeargan

**Others present:** Phyllis Horns, Donna Payne, Nick Benson, Tim Wiseman, Miraf Bisetegne, Norma Epley, Hiromi Sanders, Stacie Tronto, Wayne Poole, LaKesha Alston, Mark Sprague

Mark Copeland, Chair of the Audit Committee, convened the meeting at 9:06AM. Mr. Copeland read the conflict of interest provisions as required by the State Government Ethics Act. Mr. Copeland asked if anyone would like to declare or report an actual or perceived conflict of interest. Hearing none, he asked for the approval of the minutes for the September 19, 2013 committee meeting.

Action Item: The minutes of the September 19, 2013 meeting were approved with no changes.

Tim Wiseman, Assistant VC for Enterprise Risk Management, provided the **ERM update**.

- Mr. Wiseman stated that he has obtained copies of the Risk Management book as requested for all BOT members. He also had some additional materials for committee chair Copeland.
- Mr. Wiseman updated the committee on the activities of the ERM office, which included hosting the
  Chief Risk Officer from Duke University at last month's ERM meeting. The Audit Committee engaged in
  considerable discussion regarding the risk management similarities and differences between public and
  private institutions, and the ERM approaches at both institutions.
  - o In the healthcare realm, Ms. Tronto stated that the risk of potential conflicts of interest is heightened when physicians are involved in clinical trials and also receive compensation from pharmaceutical companies to speak on behalf of specific medicines. Dr. Benson stated that in part as a result of the Physician Payment Transparency Act, a new Rule is being drafted for BSOM faculty that addresses this. Ms. Epley added that the current clinical trials disclosure process requires that all such relationships be reported for each trial.
- Mr. Wiseman stated that he recently attended the University Risk Management and Insurance
  Association conference, and has shared ideas and reference materials from that event with others
  across the campus.
- Mr. Wiseman stated that he will be briefing the Executive Council on the University's top risks and their associated risk management plans in January 2014. This will complete the 2013 ERM process and lead into the 2014 process.

Dr. Nicholas Benson, Vice Dean, BSOM and Associate Vice Chancellor for Healthcare Regulatory Affairs, updated the committee on the **BSOM Compliance** Office.

- Dr. Benson provided an update on the CY 2013 BSOM Compliance and University HIPAA Privacy workplan.
  - Dr. Benson noted that Ms. Bisetegne has been filling two jobs for the last few months. In response to the committee's questions, Dr. Benson stated that the office is currently staffed by 5 FTEs, and that 7-8 FTEs would be ideal based on the workload and the recommendations of the consultant that visited earlier in the year.
  - The revisions to policies and the notice of privacy practices were completed in time to ensure the University's compliance with the recently revised HIPAA requirements. The implementation deadline for these changes was September, 2013.
  - The office continues to refine its workplan elements and project tracking. The Committee suggested that the office continue to review the tasks and services that are included in the

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- "direct hours" category, to ensure that what is being reported fairly represents the office's efforts. The office has already begun to do this.
- The launch of ICD-10 medical billing nomenclature (mandated by the federal government) is scheduled for 10/1/14. The University appears to be on track to meet this deadline. The impact of not implementing ICD-10 on time would be an inability to bill patients and third-party payers.
- Other noteworthy efforts include the pending telework policy for ECU Physicians and the projected Feb 2014 implementation of the electronic health record "MyChart" module, which allows patients online access to their records and allows for email communications with patients
- The internet role-based training on compliance and HIPAA is set to kick off in the next few weeks, for the current annual training cycle.
- o Mr. Yeargan asked what the biggest "surprises" are in the arena of compliance and HIPAA over the last few years. Dr. Benson stated that the complexity and number of changes to the HIPAA requirements has been a surprise. Ms. Bisetegne stated that the complexity situations and dialogue regarding Business Associate agreements has been a bit unexpected.
- Dr. Benson updated the committee on the University's efforts to address recommendations made in the
  June 2013 review of HIPAA security compliance and data storage. He reported that a working group
  has been assembled and good progress is being made, but that additional resources will be necessary
  to fully address some of the recommendations. The four recommendations are related to the following
  areas:
  - Assigning management authority to make purchase and implementation decisions and accept risks in situations where the chosen solution has compliance "gaps"
  - Allocating additional resources to assist in oversight of systems and devices that are not centrally managed
  - Regular review of activity on HIPAA systems
  - o Ensuring the completeness of the "inventory" of Business Associate agreements
- The search for the Chief Institutional Integrity Officer (CIIO) is underway. To date there are 27 applicants and 5 have been selected for the first round of video conference interviews. Dr. Benson anticipates having the selected candidate on board between April and June 2014.

Ms. Norma Epley, Director of the Office of Research Integrity and Compliance, provided the **Research Compliance** Report.

- Ms. Epley shared statistics on the research submissions reviewed by the IRB. All reported numbers showed an increase for 2012-13 over 2011-12. However, Ms. Epley reported that most of the growth is from unfunded studies.
- For the 2012-13 year, two allegations of potential research non-compliance were reported. However, neither of them was determined to be "serious" or "continuing", and therefore they did not require external reporting.
- Mr. Yeargan asked Ms. Epley what her concerns are in the current environment. Ms. Epley stated that
  the amount of time spent assisting researchers working on non-funded research is a concern. She
  stated that she hopes the education and "mentoring" efforts will render dividends in the future.

Stacie Tronto, Chief Audit Officer, provided the Internal Audit update.

 As directed at the last meeting, Ms. Tronto has discussed raising the target for management corrective action completion with the Chancellor and Executive Council. All parties agreed that this was

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appropriate, but for consistency and fairness, it was proposed that this take effect on July 1, 2014. **Action**: The Committee agreed to this.

- Internal Audit and the Compliance Offices in Health Sciences and Research have met to discuss their current reporting and working relationships with each other. All parties agreed that there does not need to be any formal reporting relationship between the offices. However, all agreed that collaboration and communication are critical. These offices will share reports among the other offices, and the activities of the Compliance offices will be considered in the audit universe during the annual risk-based audit plan development. Drs. Horns, Mitchelson, and Ballard all agree with this approach. The committee agreed with this approach and stated that the members strongly believe that this type of connectivity and open communication reduce the University's risk.
- Ms. Tronto reviewed the Internal Audit dashboard as of Nov 1, 2013 (for year ending June 30, 2014)
  - Completed 15% of the audit plan, with another 38% in progress (target=80%)
  - Staff utilization rate is 71% direct audit hours (target=75%; increased from 70% in prior years).
     Ms Tronto stated that the shortfall in this is due in part to an extended illness in one staff member's family, as well as a high number of professional development hours attributed to an employee who was preparing for the CIA exams.
  - Management corrective actions are 80% complete, based on one follow-up engagement to date (target=90%)
  - There has been a higher than usual number of unplanned special projects so far this FY
  - The University camps and clinics audit and the Athletics Operational audit have exceeded the budgeted hours due to the number of issues identified and the need for testing in unforeseen areas.
- Ms. Tronto stated that one of her staff members earned the Certified Internal Auditor designation.
- Ms. Tronto distributed the University's financial audit report for FYE 2013 to the Committee. There are no reportable findings.
  - o Mr. Poole advised the committee that Vidant Health is making satisfactory progress towards resolution of the state auditors' non-reportable IT recommendations. Two of the four recommendations are resolved; the third resolution is in progress, and legal counsel for both entities is negotiating regarding the pursuit of an independent third party attestation of Vidant's IT controls (this was the fourth recommendation).

Other Business – No other business was brought forward by anyone in attendance.

The Audit Committee meeting was adjourned at 10:22AM.

----Respectfully submitted by Wayne Poole

# ECU Board of Trustees Finance and Facilities Committee Minutes November 21, 2013

<u>Committee Members Attending</u>: Terry Yeargan, Chair, Steve Jones, Edwin Clark, Mark Copeland, Max Joyner, Robert Brinkley, and Bob Plybon.

<u>Others Attending</u>: Chancellor Steve Ballard, Vern Davenport, Rick Niswander, Steve Duncan, John Fields, Scott Buck, Bill Bagnell, Bill Koch, Donna Payne, Rhonda Jordan, and Stacy Tronto.

The Finance and Facilities Committee meeting was called to order at 10:55 a.m. by Chairman Yeargan, who read the conflict of interest statement. No conflicts were identified. The minutes of the September 19, 2013, Finance and Facilities Committee meeting were approved.

## **Easements**

The Committee reviewed a request to Grant an Utility Easement to Energy United at Davidson County Dental Clinic. Mr. Buck was available for questions. The Committee approved a motion to recommend that the full Board approve the request.

The Committee reviewed a request to Grant an Utility Easement to Duke Energy at the Spruce Pine Dental Clinic Site. Mr. Buck was available for questions. The Committee approved a motion to recommend that the full Board approve the request.

## **Tuition and Fees**

Dr. Niswander and Stephanie Coleman gave a brief overview of the request, but agreed to hold off on the expanded info until the Lunchtime Discussion. At that time the Executive Committee approved a motion to recommend that the full Board approve the request.

## Information

Mr. Bagnell updated the Committee on the Capital Projects.

The meeting closed at 12:25 p.m.

Health Sciences Committee ECU Board of Trustees November 21, 2013 Mendenhall Student Center

## **Board Members Present:**

Robert Brinkley
Deborah Davis
Vern Davenport
Edwin Clark
Mark Copeland
Steve Jones
Max Joyner
Carol Mabe
Bobby Owens
Bob Plybon
Terry Yeargan
Tim Schwan

## Others Present:

Chancellor Ballard Phyllis Horns Libby Baxley Jeannine Hutson Nick Benson **Brian Jowers** Bill Bagnell Chris Locklear Doug Boyd Cheryl Marsh Michelle Brooks Rick Niswander **Greg Chadwick** Donna Payne Paul Cunningham Mary Schulken Mark Sprague Al Delia Steve Thomas Steve Duncan Dick Eakin Gary Vanderpool Glen Gilbert

**Recorder:** Christy Daniels

## **Call to Order and Approval of Minutes:**

Mr. Jones called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m., and read the conflict of interest statement required by the State Government Ethics Act. No conflicts were identified. The minutes of September 19, 2013 were approved.

## **Division Update:**

## Vice Chancellor's Report: Dr. Horns

- Programs in Health Sciences continue to grow and are very competitive.
- Dr. Stephen Thomas, Dean of the College of Allied Health Sciences, will be retiring effective July 1, 2014.
- Continuing with the legislative advocacy plan. Briefing notes will be shared with the Board in relation to SODCA (Setoff Debt Collection Act) and UPL (Upper Payment Limit) very soon. Working to educate legislators on these areas and coordinating those messages with UNC-Chapel Hill. Dr. Horns, Brian Jowers, and Michelle Brooks had a very productive meeting with Senator Hise last week and will follow-up with Senator Berger's staff in December.

## **BSOM Update**:

- Dr. Sy Saeed, Chair of the Department of Psychiatric Medicine, gave a presentation on the NC Statewide Telepsychiatry Program, which is administrated here at ECU's Center for Telepsychaitry. The statewide program was developed in response to the General Assembly's request in August 2013. Governor McCrory announced funding for the program in August. The program anticipates to connect 60-80 hospital emergency departments across NC to provide psychiatric assessments and consultations to patients. 13 counties in NC have no psychiatric coverage and the majority of ED's do not have access to a full-time psychiatrist. ECU, through collaboration with participating entities, will develop quality management and outcomes monitoring for the statewide program.
- Dr. Libby Baxley reported the BSOM's LCME site visit was held October 20-23 and they received an outstanding report from the ad hoc survey team. The BSOM is in compliance in all areas noted in the previous report with the exception of improving diversity of faculty. The LCME Liaison Committee meets in February to review the survey team's report.
- Mr. Jowers reported on ECU Physicians financial performance as of October FYTD.
   There has been growth in total charges billed, pro-fee collections, contract revenue, outpatient visits, total Emergency Medicine and Med Direct visits, and wRVu's.

## **BSOM Clinical Compensation Plan:**

## **Action Item:**

The Health Sciences Committee reviewed the ECU Physicians Clinical Faculty Compensation Plan that was amended by the ECU-Physicians Board on September 13, 2013. A motion was made to approve the ECU Physicians Clinical Faculty Compensation Plan with the latitude to change the language once clarification has been received by UNC General Administration if approval is needed by the UNC Board of Governors. Motion unanimously passed.

## **Closed Session:**

Action: A motion was made by Chairman Jones that the Health Sciences Committee go into closed session. Ms. Davis read the motion to go into closed session:

- 1. To consult with our attorney to preserve the attorney-client privilege; and
- 2. To prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to law or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes, specifically to:

To prevent the disclosure of financial terms and/or other competitive health care information related competitive health care activities by or on behalf of hospitals and public hospital authorities, as provided under N.C.G.S. § 131E-97.3.

Action: Motion passed.

Action: A motion was made by Chairman Jones to go back into open session at 4:00 p.m. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.