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NC State University Board of Trustees Meeting

Dorothy and Roy Park Alumni Center - Hood Board Room

2450 Alumni Drive

Raleigh, NC 27606

Ed Weisiger, Jr., Chair

Members: Marie Arcuri, Derick Close, Erik Dixon, Jim Harrell, David Herring, Jim Holmes, Tim Humphrey, Ghazale Johnston, Wendell Murphy, Ven Poole, David Powers, Perry Safran, Ed Stack, Timothy Reid

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Meeting Book - February 2024 NC State University Board of Trustees Meeting

Meeting Agenda

10:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order, Public Meeting Notice and Reading of Ethics Statement
Ed Weisiger, Jr., Chair

A. Ethics Statement

2. Roll Call
Ed Weisiger, Jr., Chair

3. Executive Summary - Open Session

A. February 2024 Open Session Executive Summary
- Full Board

4. Approval of Minutes
Ed Weisiger, Jr., Chair

Action Items for
Full Board

A. November 2023 Draft Full Board Open Session
Minutes

B. November 2023 Draft Full Board Closed Session
Minutes

C. December 2023 Draft Full Board Special Meeting
Open Minutes

D. December 2023 Draft Full Board Special Meeting
Closed Session Minutes

5. Chair's Report
Ed Weisiger, Jr., Chair

6. Chancellor's Report
Randy Woodson, Chancellor

7. Buildings and Property Committee Report
Ven Poole, Committee Chair

A. Disposition by Easement. Easement to Dominion
Energy for approximately 0.6 acres of land along
Centennial Parkway for construction and operation of
a natural gas pipeline and substation facility.

Full Board
Approval

a. 2024.02.15-Centennial Parkway Dominion

Easement - Consolidated

B. Dispositions by Lease. Request for approval of four previously executed Greek Village space (building) leases requiring approval by the Board of Trustees.

Full Board Approval

a. 2024.02.15 - Greek Village Space Leases

8. University Advancement and External Affairs Committee Report
Ed Stack, Committee Chair

A. Naming Opportunities Proposals

Full Board Approval

a. Proposed Naming Opportunities February 2024

9. University Affairs Committee Report
Jim Harrell, Committee Chair

A. Degree Program Discontinuation

Full Board Approval

a. MR, MS and PhD in Genetics

10. Audit, Risk Management and Finance Committee Report
Tim Humphrey, Committee Chair

A. Annual Report on Endowments and Investments 2-15-24

B. NC State Investment Fund Performance 12-31-23

C. NC State Intermediate Term Fund Performance 12-31-23

11. Faculty Senate Report
Herle McGowan, Chair

A. February 2024 Faculty Senate - Board of Trustees Report

12. Staff Senate Report
Alan Porch, Chair

A. February 2024 Staff Senate - Board of Trustees Report

13. Items of Interest to the Board

14. Executive Summary - Closed Session

15. Closed Session

16. Reconvene in Open Session
Ed Weisiger, Jr., Chair

17. Adjourn
Ed Weisiger, Jr., Chair



NORTH CAROLINA STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

SAMPLE¹

ETHICS AWARENESS & CONFLICT OF INTEREST REMINDER

(to be read by the Chair or his or her designee at the beginning of each meeting)

In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every [Board] member to avoid both conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict.

Does any [Board] member have any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the [Board] today?

If so, please identify the conflict or appearance of conflict and refrain from any undue participation² in the particular matter involved.

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¹ N.C.G.S. §138A-15 (e): “At the beginning of any meeting of a board, the chair shall remind all members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflict under [Chapter 138A].” There is no set language required by the Act. Specific language can and should be tailored to fit the needs of each covered board as necessary.

² “A public servant shall take appropriate steps, under the particular circumstances and considering the type of proceeding involved, to remove himself or herself to the extent necessary, to protect the public interest and comply with this Chapter, from any proceeding in which the public servant’s impartiality might reasonably be questioned due to the public servant’s familial, personal, or financial relationship with a participant in the proceeding.” See N.C.G.S. §138A-36 (c). If necessary, the Chairman or individual member involved should consult with his ethics liaison, legal counsel, or the State Ethics Commission to help determine the appropriate response in a given situation.



Open Session Executive Summary for
the Full Board of Trustees
February 16, 2024

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Agenda Item: Open and Closed Session Minutes of the November 3, 2023 and the December 12, 2023 meetings of the NC State University Board of Trustees	7
Presenter: <i>Ed Weisiger, Jr., Chair</i>	
Summary: The open session meeting minutes and the closed session minutes from the November 3, 2023 meeting are presented for approval.	
Action: Full Board approval	
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Agenda Item: Disposition by Easement	22
Presenter: <i>Trustee Ven Poole, Committee Chair</i>	
Summary: Request for easement to Dominion Energy for approximately 0.6 acres of land along Centennial Parkway for construction and operation of a natural gas pipeline and substation facility.	
Action: Full Board approval	
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Agenda Item: Disposition by Lease	29
Presenter: <i>Trustee Ven Poole, Committee Chair</i>	
Summary: Request for approval of four (4) Greek Village space leases for existing chapters in residence that require approval by the Board of Trustees.	
Action: Full Board approval	
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Agenda Item: Naming Opportunities Proposals	37
Presenter: <i>Trustee Ed Stack, Committee Chair</i>	
Summary: Chancellor Woodson has endorsed and favorably recommends to the Committee and Full Board five naming opportunities proposals: three for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, one for the College of Natural Resources, and one for the Wilson College of Textiles.	
Action: Full Board approval	
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Agenda Item: Degree Program Discontinuation	40
Presenter: <i>Trustee Jim Harrell, Committee Chair</i>	
Summary: A request to discontinue the MR, MS and PhD in Genetics.	
Action: Full Board approval	

DRAFT
OPEN SESSION MINUTES
Board of Trustees
North Carolina State University
Raleigh, North Carolina
November 3, 2023

The North Carolina State University Board of Trustees met in regular session on Friday, November 3, 2023. Trustees attended the meeting in the Hood Board Room, located in the Park Alumni Center.

Members present: Ed Weisiger, Jr., Chair
Marie F. Arcuri
Derick S. Close
Erik L. Dixon
David D. Herring
Timothy Humphrey
Ghazale Johnston
Wendell H. Murphy, Sr.
Ven Poole
David M. Powers
Perry Safran
Edwin J. Stack, III
Timothy Reid, *ex officio*

Members Absent: James A. Harrell

Chair Weisiger called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and a quorum was present.

Chair Weisiger reminded all members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts of interest under the State Government Ethics Act and inquired as to whether there were any known conflicts of interest or appearances of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the board at this meeting. Chair Weisiger reminded those in attendance that while the full Board meeting is a public meeting, it is not a meeting for public comment and only those on the agenda will be permitted to speak. He asked that all Trustees identify themselves before making or seconding a motion.

Chair Weisiger welcomed new Trustee Marie Arcuri to the board and led roundtable introductions.

MINUTES

Chair Weisiger asked for a motion to approve the open and closed session minutes of the September 8, 2023 meeting.

Trustee Herring made the motion, seconded by Trustee Stack, to approve the open and closed session minutes of the September 8, 2023 meeting of the full Board. Chair Weisiger called on the Assistant Secretary, Paula Gentius, to record the vote. All members were in favor.

Arcuri	AYE	Murphy	AYE
Close	AYE	Poole	AYE
Dixon	AYE	Powers	AYE
Harrell	ABSENT	Reid	AYE
Herring	AYE	Safran	AYE
Humphrey	AYE	Stack	AYE
Johnston	AYE	Weisiger	AYE

The motion passed.

CHAIR'S REPORT – CHAIR WEISIGER

Chair Weisiger thanked the Trustees who have completed the FCC Questionnaire. The final report of the ownership of WKNC, NC State's student radio station, will be submitted by December 1, 2023.

Chair Weisiger reported the Executive Committee met this morning and approved the open and closed session minutes from the September 8, 2023 meeting. The Executive Committee also discussed and approved a title and salary change for an SAAO Tier I employee in closed session.

Chair Weisiger then stated that the NC State University Board of Trustees Bylaws need to be updated to reflect a recent legislative change resulting in two new members to the board and the current practice for the nominating committee. Chair Weisiger called for a motion to approve the technical updates to the bylaws; Trustee Humphrey made the motion which was seconded by Trustee Close.

Chair Weisiger called on the Assistant Secretary, Paula Gentius, to record the vote. All members were in favor.

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Dixon	AYE	Powers	AYE
Harrell	ABSENT	Reid	AYE
Herring	AYE	Safran	AYE
Humphrey	AYE	Stack	AYE
Johnston	AYE	Weisiger	AYE

The motion passed.

Chair Weisiger recognized the exceptional work of several NC State leaders in recent months. He thanked Vice Chancellor Kevin Howell and Assistant Vice Chancellor Julie Smith for their work with the state legislature. The state budget showed an incredible vote of confidence in the work that NC State does to prepare the workforce and drive the state's economy. Chair Weisiger also recognized the work of Vice Chancellor Charlie Maimone, Associate Vice Chancellor Doug Morton, University Architect Lisa Johnson and their entire team for the more than \$1 billion at work in campus construction, which is impressive and requires a great deal of focus and dedication.

Chair Weisiger then recognized Chancellor Woodson, who recently received an award from the Association of University Research Parks (AURP) on October 18, 2023. The AURP is the nation's leading nonprofit organization representing research parks and innovation districts, and this leadership award recognizes an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the success and overall economic impact of a university research and technology park. Chancellor Woodson was selected for his leadership in driving the astounding success and impact of NC State's Centennial Campus.

Chair Weisiger also reminded the Board of the attendance requirements outlined by the Board of Governors and General Assembly.

This concluded Chair Weisiger's report.

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT – DR. RANDY WOODSON

Chancellor Woodson began his report by welcoming the newest member of our Board of Trustees, Marie Arcuri, and shared his gratitude for the Trustees and their service to the university.

Chancellor Woodson shared that Red & White Week was once again a phenomenal week of celebration and thanked Vice Chancellor Brian Sisco and University Special Events Director, Ellen Klingler. Chancellor Woodson also shared that he attended the National Inventors Hall of Fame induction ceremony, which included NC State faculty member, Dr. Rodolphe Barrangou, along with fifteen other new members, 4 of which recently won the Nobel Prize. Dr. Barrangou is NC State University's seventh member inducted into this Hall of Fame.

Chancellor Woodson then shared updates from around campus including introducing Dr. Bradley Davis, NC State's new Faculty and Staff Ombuds. In the Faculty and Staff Ombuds role, Bradley will offer independent and confidential support for faculty and staff as they navigate workplace concerns or

conflicts. Prior to this role, Bradley served as the Associate Director of Student Conduct at NC State, where he educated the university community about policies and procedures to promote safety, accountability, and student success.

As mentioned at the last meeting, Chancellor Woodson reported that NC State began its partnership with the JED Foundation this fall. The JED Foundation is a non-profit organization that protects emotional health and prevents suicide for teens and young adults in the United States. This organization has assisted the university with postvention strategies and the critical ways that we help protect the privacy of families. The Chancellor reported the university has participated in multiple interviews with our JED liaison to evaluate what is being done to support students on campus. Based on the findings of those interviews, we have also received recommendations on our next steps forward. Chancellor Woodson shared his gratitude with Student Body President Timothy Reid for Student Government's efforts. While this semester is just the beginning of a multi-year effort with the JED Foundation, Chancellor Woodson is already encouraged by this partnership's impact on our campus community.

Chancellor Woodson stated that with the state budget approved in late September, its effects will bring numerous positive impacts for NC State. The university will receive exceptional funding to expand educational and research opportunities, as well as to support the construction of our new learning spaces alongside some repairs and renovations. Chancellor Woodson stated that our hardworking faculty and staff received the first installment of the much-needed salary increases with the new budget -- a total of 7% for eligible EHRA faculty, EHRA non faculty and SHRA employees; 4% this year, and 3% next year. Chancellor Woodson said he was tremendously grateful for the support of the legislature and their acknowledgement of our commitment toward North Carolina's future and success; he also thanked Kevin Howell and Julie Smith for all that they do in ensuring our university's critical role as an economic driver across the state of North Carolina. Chancellor Woodson also thanked Associate Vice Chancellor Tim Danielson and his team for their efforts to enact these increases in a timely manner, which are retroactive from July 1, 2023.

Chancellor Woodson reported that NC State has also garnered attention on a national level. NC State University was recently awarded a \$40M grant from the Department of Defense to serve as the leader of a regional innovation hub specializing in wide bandgap conductors. Wide bandgap semiconductors are used to power electronics, communication systems and radars, as well as photonic devices used for sensing, artificial intelligence, and future quantum technologies. These semiconductors replace traditional silicon chips, offering higher voltage and temperature capacity to accomplish work more efficiently. The regional hub will be referred to as CLAWS (Commercial Leap Ahead for Wide Bandgap Semiconductors) and includes a university partner in N.C. A&T State University, as well as six industry partners: Wolfspeed, Coherent Corp., General Electric, Bluglass, Adriot Materials, and Kyma Technologies, Inc. Chancellor Woodson also stated that while this research will be beneficial nationwide, it will also support NC State at its core, enhancing our ability to perform a wide range of our own research that is vital to our mission.

Chancellor Woodson reminded the Trustees of the upcoming 5-year review for Vice Chancellor for Information Technology Marc Hoit. Trustees will receive a survey in the coming weeks to share their feedback on Vice Chancellor Hoit's performance.

In closing, Chancellor Woodson thanked all of the Trustees for their service and everything they do for NC State University.

That concluded the report from Chancellor Woodson.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE - CHAIR VEN POOLE

The Buildings and Property Committee met on November 2, 2023 and a quorum was present. Chair Ven Poole recognized Trustee Arcuri as a new additional member to the Buildings and Property Committee.

The Committee reviewed and approved the September 7, 2023 and October 17, 2023 open session meeting minutes and reviewed and approved two property matters for Full Board approval.

Chair Ven Poole presented the acquisition by lease of approximately 6,700 rentable square feet on Centennial Campus for University Advancement and a renewal of an existing lease of approximately 9,400 rentable square feet of office and classroom space on Hillsborough Street for the Office of Global Engagement programs, Global Training Institute and Intensive English Program. Chair Ven Poole asked for a motion to approve these two property matters and a second was not required. Chair Weisiger called on the Assistant Secretary, Paula Gentius, to record the vote. All members were in favor.

Arcuri	AYE	Murphy	AYE
Close	AYE	Poole	AYE
Dixon	AYE	Powers	AYE
Harrell	ABSENT	Reid	AYE
Herring	AYE	Safran	AYE
Humphrey	AYE	Stack	AYE
Johnston	AYE	Weisiger	AYE

The motion passed.

The committee reviewed and approved five designer selections of \$2 million or less and plans and one specification of formal projects of \$2 million or less since the September 7, 2023 meeting.

The committee reviewed and approved two designer selections for the Administrative Services Space Analysis and the Kilgore, Scott, and Thomas Hall HVAC Renovations. The committee reviewed and approved one plan approval request for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences extension units: 4-H and Future Farmers of America. The committee also reviewed and approved 14 completed buildings and projects accepted at the combined value of \$120,051,167, and two non-appropriated capital improvement projects that are less than \$750,000.

The committee received informational reports regarding the Capital Projects, Status of Projects in Planning, Innovation District, and Project Prioritization.

That concluded Committee Chair Poole's report from the Buildings and Property Committee.

UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE – CHAIR ED STACK

The Advancement and External Affairs Committee met on November 2, 2023 with a quorum present. The committee then approved minutes from the September 7, 2023 meeting, in addition to reviewing and recommending for full board approval two naming opportunities proposals: one for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and one for NC State Athletics and the Wolfpack Club.

Chair Stack requested a motion for the approval of the two naming opportunities proposals and a second was not required. Chair Weisiger called on the Assistant Secretary, Paula Gentius, to record the vote. All members were in favor.

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Harrell	ABSENT	Reid	AYE
Herring	AYE	Safran	AYE
Humphrey	AYE	Stack	AYE
Johnston	AYE	Weisiger	AYE

The motion passed.

Vice Chancellor for University Advancement Brian Sischo gave an update on the Chief Communications and Marketing Officer search which is a collaboration between the search firm Isaacson, Miller and University Advancement Talent Management, and then reviewed the events of 2023 Red and White Week. Vice Chancellor Sischo highlighted the changes in the distinguished professorships, shared the guidance provided by the UNC System Office on the eligibility for new distinguished professorships, and outlined the effects on existing professorship agreements currently in the queue, building to endowment or in planned gifts which no longer qualify for the state match under the new guidelines. Vice Chancellor Sischo concluded with a summary of the Celebrating Transformation Initiative that will begin mid-November.

Vice Chancellor for External Affairs, Partnerships and Economic Development Kevin Howell shared an external affairs and legislative update which summarized the significant budget accomplishments of the legislative long session, specifically emphasizing the transformational impacts to the physical campus. He also discussed non-capital highlights as well as overarching UNC System initiatives that NC State helped bring to fruition. Lastly, Vice Chancellor Howell reviewed some of the significant legislative challenges he and Associate Vice Chancellor Julie Smith managed during the session.

Associate Vice Chancellor for University Development Jim Broschart provided a brief overview of the structure, makeup, and work of University Development and discussed how University Development coordinates university-wide fundraising efforts. He highlighted the newfound momentum in Corporate and Foundation Relations and outlined the Frontline Fundraiser Career Path, an instrument developed to attract and retain frontline fundraisers at NC State.

Finally, the committee met in closed session and approved five donor naming requests, which were presented to the full board in closed session.

That concluded Committee Chair Stack's report from the University Advancement and External Affairs Committee.

UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE – ACTING CHAIR DERICK CLOSE

The University Affairs Committee met on November 2, 2023 and a quorum was present.

Under the committee's consent agenda, the committee approved the September 7, 2023 open and closed session meeting minutes; conferral of tenure to a new faculty member; the request to continue the General H. Hugh Shelton Leadership Center; and the request to disestablish the Center for Dielectrics and Piezoelectrics.

The committee received an overview of the process undertaken and recommendations presented by the Tuition Review Advisory Committee and Fee Review Committee for the 2024-2025 academic year. The documents and the Chancellor's recommendations to the Board were included in the meeting materials. During the committee meeting, Chancellor Woodson stated his support for the following recommendations from the Tuition Review Advisory Committee:

- A 0.0% increase for Undergraduate Residents, which is in accordance with UNC System Office instructions
- A 4% increase for Undergraduate Nonresidents
- A 4% increase for Graduate Residents
- A 4% increase for Graduate Nonresidents

The additional tuition revenue would be used to contribute to need-based Financial Aid; to provide funding to the Graduate Student Support Plan; to improve the quality and accessibility of the NC State educational experience; and to provide funding for faculty promotional increases.

The Chancellor also stated his support for the Tuition Review Advisory Committee's premium tuition increase recommendations for two programs:

- Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering (\$3,000/year)
- Master of Science in Aerospace Engineering (\$3,000/year)

The Chancellor also stated his support for recommendations he received from the Fee Review Committee, which are in compliance with the UNC System Office requirements and include a \$4.00 per year increase to the Transit Operations fee and a decrease of \$96.00 per year from the Athletics Indebtedness expiring Debt Service Fee, ultimately resulting in a net decrease in student fees for 2024-2025 in the amount of -\$92.00.

Chancellor Woodson also stated his support for the proposed modest increases to the 2024-2025 University Housing and Dining student rates. The housing and dining programs are self-supporting and need the increases to manage increased operating costs due to supply chain, labor market and inflationary pressures. Specific to university dining rates, the proposed increase on a weighted average basis is 3.32%. Regarding university housing rates, the proposed annual rate increases range between 3% - 4% for FY 2024-2025.

Acting Chair Close requested a motion for approval of the 2024-2025 campus initiated tuition increase requests and premium tuition increases and a second was not required. Chair Weisiger called on the Assistant Secretary, Paula Gentius, to record the vote. All members were in favor.

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Harrell	ABSENT	Reid	AYE
Herring	AYE	Safran	AYE
Humphrey	AYE	Stack	AYE
Johnston	AYE	Weisiger	AYE

The motion passed.

Acting Chair Close requested a motion for approval of the 2024-2025 student fee recommendations. Chair Weisiger called on the Assistant Secretary, Paula Gentius, to record the vote. All members were in favor.

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Harrell	ABSENT	Reid	AYE
Herring	AYE	Safran	AYE
Humphrey	AYE	Stack	AYE
Johnston	AYE	Weisiger	AYE

The motion passed.

Acting Chair Close requested a motion for approval of the 2024-2025 student housing and dining rate requests. Chair Weisiger called on the Assistant Secretary, Paula Gentius, to record the vote. All members were in favor.

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Dixon	AYE	Powers	AYE
Harrell	ABSENT	Reid	AYE
Herring	AYE	Safran	AYE
Humphrey	AYE	Stack	AYE
Johnston	AYE	Weisiger	AYE

The motion passed.

The committee also approved changes to the Department of Athletics Non-Coaching Staff Bonus Structure. These changes will go into effect immediately for the 2023-2024 academic year.

Chancellor Woodson shared details with the committee regarding the December 2023 commencement ceremony. Commencement will be held on Saturday, December 16, at 9 a.m. in PNC Arena. Debbie Antonelli will deliver the keynote address this year. Ms. Antonelli is an NC State alumna who played basketball for Coach Kay Yow. She is a national basketball analyst and widely recognized as an expert at the collegiate and professional levels. Debbie is also a passionate advocate for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. In addition, two honorary degree recipients will be recognized at fall commencement: Dr. Jim Owens, a three-time NC State alumnus and former chairman and chief executive officer of Caterpillar, Inc. and Dr. Amadou Sall, internationally renowned virologist and public health leader and CEO and Director of the Institut Paesteur de Dakar.

In his report, Provost Arden provided an update on faculty retentions, which showed our continued success in retaining outstanding faculty. Over the last ten years, 71% of counter offers were successful and 98% of the pre-emptive retentions were successful. The overall success rate of counter offers and pre-emptive retentions was 90% over this ten-year period.

Provost Arden also reported that five-year leadership and program reviews are underway for the NC State Libraries and the Poole College of Management. The committee received reports from the Faculty and Staff Senates about their ongoing activities, and a report from Margaret Baker, president of the Graduate Student Association, regarding graduate student life on campus.

In Closed Session, the committee discussed the eligibility of three Tier I SAAO employees, who fall under the delegated authority of the University Affairs Committee, to participate in the Senior Administrative Officer Retirement Program. Upon returning to Open Session this item was approved by the committee.

That concluded Committee Acting Chair Close's report from the University Affairs Committee.

AUDIT, RISK MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE – CHAIR TIM HUMPHREY

The Audit, Risk Management and Finance Committee met on November 2, 2023 and a quorum was present. The committee approved minutes from the September 7, 2023 meeting.

Cecile Hinson, Chief Audit Officer and Director, reviewed the status of the audit plan – closed, active, and pending engagements, as well as other progress metrics. She also went over the positive results of the department's Self-Assessment and Maturity Model required by the state Council of Internal Auditing that shows the current year's compliance with international standards and best practice achievements. Finally, she provided an overview of the results documented in five reports issued since September 2023.

Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Charles Maimone presented the FY24 quarterly All-Funds Operating Budget Summary. The committee reviewed this year's actual performance against the approved budget for the first quarter of the fiscal year. Vice Chancellor Maimone also shared that the FY2023 Financial Audit is ongoing with an anticipated release date in late November. The State Auditor will present the results at the February meeting. In order to plan for required renovations to University Towers, the Vice Chancellor requested approval to pursue interim financing through the Board of Governors to secure contracted services in advance of the purchase date of University Towers. The Office of State Budget and Management requires this financing authority to be established before any contracts can be signed.

Vice Chancellor and General Counsel Allison Newhart provided the committee with an update on the Compliance Program, highlighting recently updated annual notices, reports, and resources available on the Compliance & Integrity Website.

The committee received a report on the Clery Act and an overview on campus safety by David Rainer, Associate Vice Chancellor for Environmental Health and Public Safety. As required by the Clery Act, the Annual Security and Fire Safety Report is published yearly and posted to the university website. A link was provided in the ARMF meeting materials. Chief of Police Daniel House reported on the University Police Department's training initiatives to educate faculty and staff on how to respond to an emergency, and other community engagement activities during the past year. He also discussed current initiatives he has underway to engage the campus community.

That concluded Committee Chair Humphrey's report from the Audit, Risk Management and Finance Committee.

BOARD OF VISITORS REPORT, JIM HANSEN, CHAIR

Chair Hansen reported the Board of Visitors met on Friday, October 6, 2023, for its regular biannual meeting. The Board of Visitors welcomed three new Board members to the group this year: Rashida Hodge, leader of Azure Data and AI Customer Success for the Microsoft Customer and Partner Solutions Business; Hal Lawton, President and Chief Executive Officer of Tractor Supply Company; and Robin Perkins, Senior Vice President of Gildan, Inc.

At the recent meeting, Board of Trustees Chair Ed Weisiger provided the Board of Visitors with highlights of the work done by the Board of Trustees since the group last met in March. He also shared updates on the trustees who completed their terms in June along with the new and returning members whose terms began in July, noting the new committee chairs for this year.

Chancellor Woodson offered an update on leadership changes and introduced the Board of Visitors to the university's three new deans. He then shared details regarding NC State's recent rise in the U.S. News and World Report rankings. The Chancellor highlighted the phenomenal outcome for the University in the recently passed state budget, reflecting transformative investments that will benefit all aspects of NC State for years to come. Lastly, he spoke about the continuing efforts which NC State is undertaking to support the mental health and well-being of our campus community.

The Board then received an update from Dr. Don Hunt, Senior Vice Provost for Enrollment Management and Services, and Jon Westover, Associate Vice Provost and Director of Undergraduate Admissions, on the university's fall class and current enrollment. Dr. Hunt presented detailed statistics related to the fall semester's class, offering insights into the university's admissions process and enrollment trends.

Dean Kate Meurs presented an overview of the College of Veterinary Medicine, highlighting recent exciting developments, including increased class sizes and future facilities improvements. After the meeting, several Board of Visitors members had the opportunity to tour the College of Veterinary Medicine.

The Board of Visitors were honored to have NC Senate President Pro Tempore Phil Berger provide an informative update to the Board on the recent activities of the North Carolina General Assembly. His update focused on the newly enacted state budget, including appropriations specific to NC State University.

NC State's Athletics Director, Boo Corrigan, discussed the significant, ongoing changes in college athletics, particularly in relation to the transfer portal, name image and likeness issues, and conference realignment.

To close the meeting, Chancellor Woodson engaged in an in-depth discussion with the Board of Visitors, exploring the current opportunities and challenges associated with higher education, and emphasizing our commitment to continued growth and excellence. Chair Hansen thanked the Trustees for their ongoing support.

That concluded Chair Hansen's report from the Board of Visitors.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPORT - TIMOTHY REID, STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

Student Body President Timothy Reid reported that Student Government has been busy as students returned to campus ready to engage with their community in positive and meaningful ways. Student Government looks forward to continuing to advocate for students at every level, ensuring that they are able to enjoy an experience that promotes their holistic development as students and individuals. President Reid provided updates from Student Government, including the fall elections for first-year Student Senate seats and the establishment of Student Body Select Department on Mental Health Implementation.

In closing, President Reid reviewed several key points for the Trustees, including that students remain energized and driven; that students' main concern continues to be the prioritization of their wellness needs; and that Student Government is well equipped to continue to affect positive change into the next semester. President Reid stated that opportunities for Student Government remain focused on student engagement and connecting students with resources at the university level, especially those concerning student health and wellness.

That concluded President Reid's report from Student Government.

CLOSED SESSION

With no further business in open session, Chair Weisiger called for a motion to go into closed session to: consult with an attorney to preserve the attorney-client privilege; and to prevent the premature disclosure of an honorary degree, scholarship, prize or similar award. Trustee Dixon made a motion to move into Closed Session, seconded by Trustee Humphrey. Chair Weisiger called on the Assistant Secretary Paula Gentius to record the vote. All members were in favor.

Arcuri	AYE	Murphy	AYE
Close	AYE	Poole	AYE
Dixon	AYE	Powers	AYE
Harrell	ABSENT	Reid	AYE
Herring	AYE	Safran	AYE
Humphrey	AYE	Stack	AYE
Johnston	AYE	Weisiger	AYE

The motion passed.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

At 11:25 a.m. the Board came out of closed session.

With no further business in open session, Chair Weisiger adjourned the meeting at 11:26 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Assistant Secretary

Secretary

Approved:

Chair of the Board

DRAFT
OPEN SESSION MINUTES
Board of Trustees
North Carolina State University
Raleigh, North Carolina
December 12, 2023

The North Carolina State University Board of Trustees met in a special session on Friday, December 12, 2023. Trustees attended the meeting via Zoom.

Members present:

- Ed Weisiger, Jr., Chair
- Marie Arcuri
- Derick S. Close
- Erik L. Dixon
- James A. Harrell
- David D. Herring
- James L. Holmes
- Timothy Humphrey
- Ghazale Johnston
- Wendell Murphy
- Ven Poole
- David M. Powers
- Perry Safran
- Edwin J. Stack, III
- Timothy Reid, *ex officio*

Chair Weisiger called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. and a quorum was present.

Chair Weisiger reminded all members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts of interest under the State Government Ethics Act and inquired as to whether there were any known conflicts of interest or appearances of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the board at this meeting. Chair Weisiger reminded those in attendance that while the full Board meeting is a public meeting, it is not a meeting for public comment and only those on the agenda will be permitted to speak. He asked that all Trustees identify themselves before making or seconding a motion and noted that all votes would be conducted via roll call.

Chair Weisiger called on Buildings and Property Committee Chair, Trustee Poole, to provide a report.

COMMITTEE REPORT

BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE - COMMITTEE CHAIR, TRUSTEE POOLE

The Buildings and Property Committee met on December 12, 2023 and a quorum was present. The Committee reviewed and recommended one property matter for Full Board approval: the Acquisition by Lease for a sub-lease of approximately 40,000 square feet of office space on Centennial Campus at the Center for Technology & Innovation. Committee Chair Poole asked for a motion to approve this property matter and a second was not required. Chair Weisiger called on substitute Assistant Secretary Maggie Thompson to record the vote. All members were in favor.

Arcuri	AYE	Johnston	AYE
Close	AYE	Murphy	AYE
Dixon	AYE	Poole	AYE
Harrell	AYE	Powers	AYE
Herring	AYE	Reid	AYE
Holmes	AYE	Safran	AYE
Humphrey	AYE	Stack	AYE
		Weisiger	AYE

The motion passed

The Committee also reviewed and approved one designer selection and two construction managers-at-risk selections. That concluded Committee Chair Poole's report from the Buildings and Property Committee.

CLOSED SESSION

With no further business in open session, Chair Weisiger called for a motion to go into closed session to consult with an attorney to preserve the attorney-client privilege. Trustee Powers made a motion to move into Closed Session, seconded by Trustee Humphrey. Chair Weisiger called on substitute Assistant Secretary Maggie Thompson to record the vote. All members were in favor.

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		Weisiger	AYE

The motion passed.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

At 3:09 p.m. the Board came out of closed session.

With no further business in open session, Chair Weisiger adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

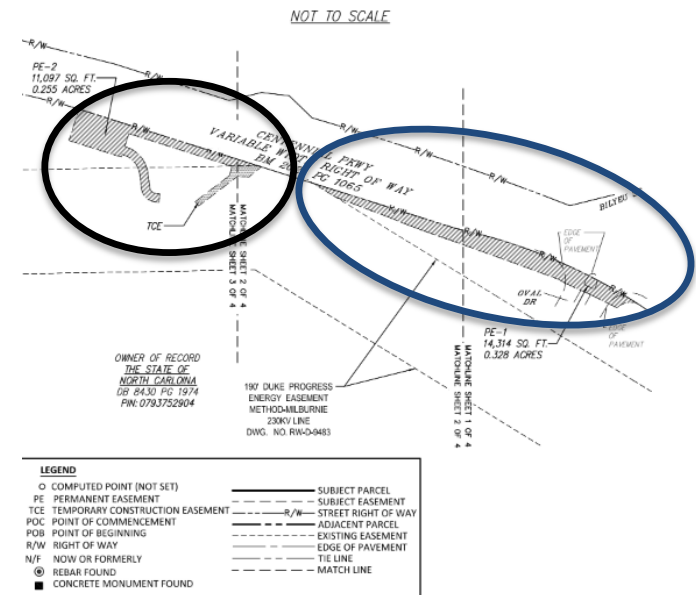
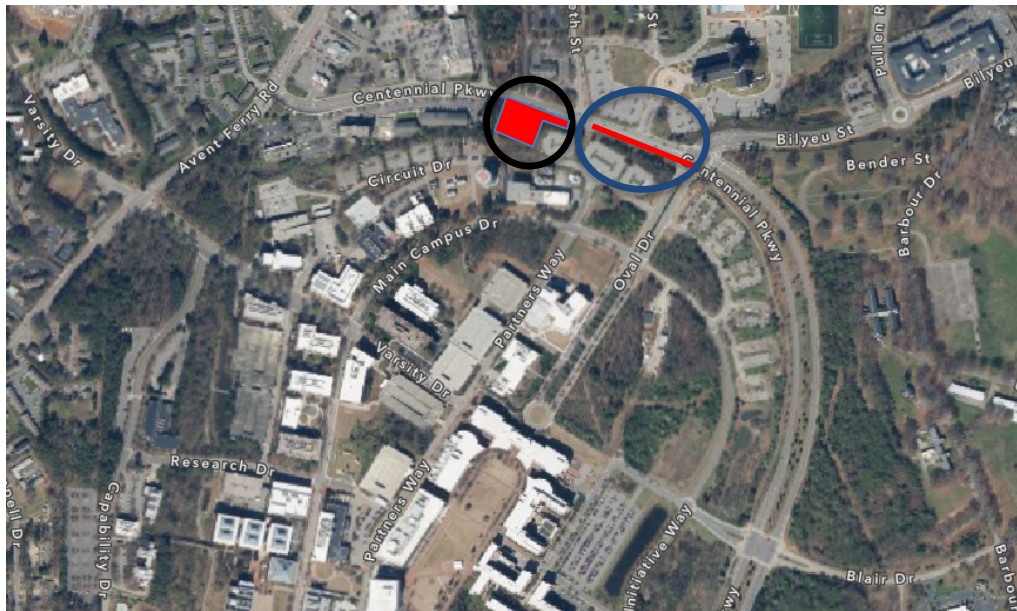
Substitute Assistant Secretary

Secretary

Approved:

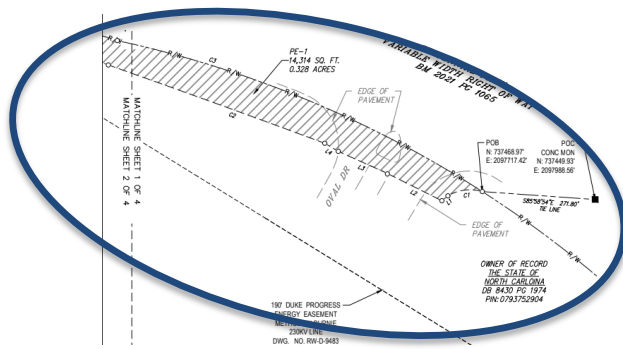
Chair

Disposition by Easement – Easement to Dominion Energy on Centennial Campus



Request Board of Trustees approval of permanent and temporary easements to Dominion Energy to accommodate a new high-pressure natural gas pipeline and gas regulation station on the north-end of Centennial Campus, south of the Centennial Parkway right-of-way.

Disposition by Easement – Easement to Dominion Energy on Centennial Campus

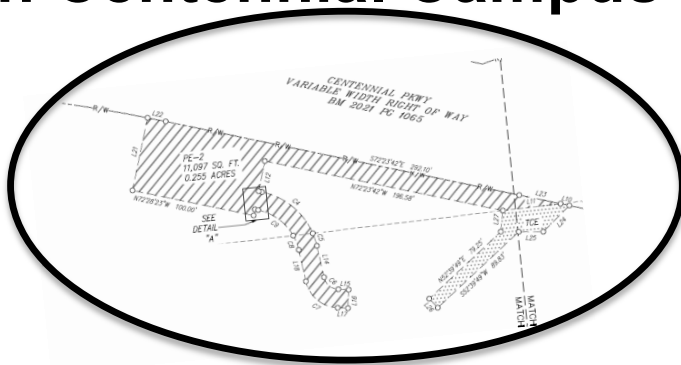


Permanent Easement of ~ 0.328 acres

- Easement is for the installation, operation, and maintenance of a high-pressure natural gas pipeline.
- Pipeline to be below-grade and will not affect normal campus operations post-construction.



Disposition by Easement – Easement to Dominion Energy on Centennial Campus



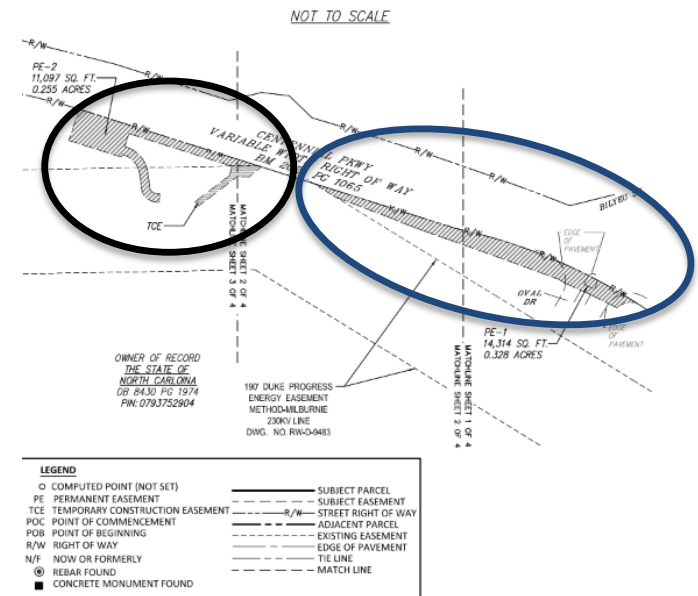
Permanent Easement of ~ 0.255 acres
Temporary Easement of ~ 0.04 acres

- Installation and operation of high-pressure gas pipeline and an associated gas regulator station.
- Pipeline to be below-grade and will not affect normal campus operations post-construction.
- Regulator station to be fenced and screened with landscaping.



Reference Graphic: Gas Regulator Station

Disposition by Easement – Easement to Dominion Energy on Centennial Campus



Total Easement Areas: ~0.583 acres permanent easement area
 ~0.04 acres of temporary construction easement area

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY**

Institution or Agency: North Carolina State University

Date: February 15, 2024

The Department of Administration is requested, as provided by GS 146-28 to dispose of the real property herein described by ~~(sale), (lease), (rental), or (land exchange):~~

Easement

This disposition is recommended for the following reasons:

Public Service Company of North Carolina, Incorporated (d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina) has requested both permanent and temporary easements to accommodate natural gas pipelines and appurtenant facilities to be installed and operated along Centennial Parkway on Centennial Campus.

Description of Property: *(Attach additional pages if needed.)*

The property is located on Centennial Campus along Centennial Parkway.

Requested easements include: 1) approximately 0.583 acre permanent utility easement for the purposes of constructing, installing, maintaining and operating one or more natural gas pipelines (which pipelines shall be underground), a gas regulation station, and appurtenant facilities; and 2) approximately 0.04 acres of temporary construction easement for the purposes of performing related construction activities.

Estimated value: \$216,185.00

Where deed is filed, if known: Wake County Register of Deeds

If deed is in the name of agency other than applicant, state the name: N/A

Rental income, if applicable, and suggested terms: N/A

Funds from the disposal of this property are recommended for the following use: N/A

(Complete if Agency has a Governing Board.)

Action recommending the above request was taken by the Governing Board of **Trustees** and is recorded in the minutes thereof on **February 16, 2024**, *(date)*.

Signature: _____

Title: Assistant Secretary, Board of Trustees

**DISPOSITION
OF REAL PROPERTY**

ACCESS EASEMENT

GRANTOR State of North Carolina on behalf of North Carolina State University

GRANTEE Public Service Company of North Carolina, Incorporated
(d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina)

LOCATION Centennial Parkway, Raleigh, NC

SIZE ~0.583 acres of Permanent Utility Easement
~0.04 acres of Temporary Construction Easement

RATE \$216,185

TERM Perpetual / Temporary

USE Easement to accommodate construction, installation, maintenance, and operation of one or more natural gas pipelines and appurtenant facilities, including a gas regulation station.

TRANSMITTAL OF REQUEST FOR ACQUISITION/DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY

Form
Number: PO-2

Preparation
Date: 2/16/2024

Request: Grant a permanent easement of approximately 0.583 acres and temporary easement of approximately 0.04 acres on Centennial Campus along Centennial Parkway to Public Service Company of North Carolina, Incorporated (d/b/a Dominion Energy North Carolina).

Institution NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

RECOMMENDED BY CHANCELLOR, NCSU



(Chancellor's Signature)

RECOMMENDED BY COMMITTEE ON
BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY

(Chairman's Signature)

RECOMMENDED BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
NCSU

(Chairman's Signature)

RECOMMENDED BY BOARD OF GOVERNORS

(Secretary's Signature)

Dispositions by Lease

Four Greek Organization Residential Space Leases

Greek Village & Residential Housing – Project Background

- The university supports Fraternity and Sorority life through the Greek housing program, offering residential accommodations (as well as dining and community space) to many Greek organizations, primarily located in Greek Village
 - University owned buildings/units leased to Greek organizations
 - Ground leases to Greek organizations/house corporations for construction of chapter-owned houses
 - NC State owned and operated units managed through the housing assignment process, in coordination with chapter membership (but not leased)
- To facilitate the development of Greek Village, in 2007, NC State requested and received approval from the NC State Board of Trustees, UNC System Board of Governors and North Carolina Council of State to enter into future ground leases for the Greek Village development (subject to a set of transaction guidelines).

Greek Village Space Leases – Item Background

- In fall 2023, Real Estate & Development reviewed the portfolio of leases associated with Greek housing and the Greek Village development as part of an administrative enhancement effort
 - Review identified four existing chapter space leases (executed in 2021 and 2022) that were entered into without requisite Board of Trustee approvals
 - Lease execution documentation references the lease approval granted in 2007 for Greek Village - which applied to ground lease transactions only
- Requesting Board consideration and approval of the four identified leases
 - Original lease terms
 - Renewal periods

Dispositions by Lease – Key Terms

- Initial Term of 12 months – July 1 thru June 30; up to four (4) renewal terms of 12 months (total maximum duration of 60 months / 5 years)
- Rental rates reflect relevant bed counts / approved housing rates, plus consideration for common spaces

Organization	House Number	Initial Term	Renewal term(s)	Remaining Renewals	FY 2025 Lease Rate
Kappa Kappa Gamma	House #2	7/1/2021 – 6/30/2022	4 (through 6/30/26)	2	\$331,836
Delta Sigma Phi	House #3	7/1/2021 – 6/30/2022	4 (through 6/30/26)	2	\$241,846
Pi Beta Phi	House #4	7/1/2021 – 6/30/2022	4 (through 6/30/26)	2	\$326,212
Tau Properties (Pi Kappa Phi)	House #16	7/1/2022 – 6/30/2023	4 (through 6/30/27)	3	\$355,458

- Consistent in strategy / approach with lease terms for three newly constructed chapter spaces in Chapter Commons approved by the Board of Trustees in April 2023.

Operational Review / Process Enhancement

- Real Estate and Development is taking management actions to fill the procedural gap that allowed this oversight:
 - Consolidated archive of source documents for special delegation of authority or special/blanket approvals (authority granted outside of UNC System Office Policy);
 - New “Authority Confirmation Checklist” to accompany real property transactions effective February 1, 2024 – including required copy of source documentation for any action outside of UNC System Policy

**DISPOSITION
OF REAL PROPERTY**

DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY BY LEASE

LESSOR The State of North Carolina, North Carolina State University

LESSEES Multiple Fraternity or Sorority House Corporations with undergraduate chapters in good standing with NC State University (see Summary Chart below)

LOCATION NC State Campus, Raleigh, NC (see Summary Chart below)

SIZE N/A

RATE Varied – commensurate with the number of bed spaces and amount of community space in each property (see Summary Chart below)

TERM Total five-year terms, including renewals. Leases previously executed in 2021/2022 – two or three years of renewals remain on the leases (see Summary Chart below)

USE Dispositions offer continued support of Greek life at NC State by providing living opportunities for sorority and/or fraternity chapters in houses owned by NC State University.

SUMMARY CHART

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**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
 DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY**

Institution or Agency: **North Carolina State University**

Date: **February 16, 2024**

The Department of Administration is requested, as provided by GS §146-28 et seq., to dispose of the real property herein described by *purchase, lease, rental, or other (specify)*. **Lease**

This disposition is recommended for the following reasons:

Dispositions (via lease structure) further Greek life at NC State by providing living opportunities for sorority and/or fraternity chapters in houses owned by NC State University.

Description of Property: *(Attach additional pages if needed.)*

Four houses owned by NC State University and leased to Greek organization chapters, known as Houses 2, 3, 4 and 16 (See Summary Chart Below)

Estimated value: **FY 2025 Lease Rates provided on Summary Chart Below**

Where deed is filed, if known: **N/A**

If deed is in the name of agency other than applicant, state the name: **N/A**

Rental income, if applicable, and suggested terms:

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Total five-year terms, including renewals. Leases previously executed and commenced in 2021/2022 with two or three years of renewals remaining (see Summary Chart below). Lease rates to increase annually in an amount commensurate with general housing rate increases, but not to exceed 10% per year. Lease rates are reviewed and approved by Chancellor during annual housing rate process.

Funds from the disposal of this property are recommended for the following use:

Proceeds to be retained by University Fraternity and Sorority Life

Action recommending the above request was taken by the **Board of Trustees** and is recorded in the meeting minutes thereof on _____ (date).

Signature: _____

Title:

Asst. Secretary, Board of Trustees

TRANSMITTAL OF REQUEST FOR ACQUISITION/DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY

Form

Number: PO-2

Date: February 15, 2024

Request: Disposition by Lease of four NC State University owned housing properties to Greek organizations whose chapters are in good standing with NC State University. Previously executed leases - requesting approval of remaining renewal terms as outlined in P02 document. Approval of disposition is recommended to continue support of fraternity and sorority life programs at NC State.

Institution NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

RECOMMENDED BY CHANCELLOR, NCSU



(Chancellor's Signature)

RECOMMENDED BY COMMITTEE ON
BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY

(Chairman's Signature)

RECOMMENDED BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
NCSU

(Chairman's Signature)

RECOMMENDED BY BOARD OF GOVERNORS

(Secretary's Signature)

Board of Trustees Consent Agenda University Advancement Committee Proposed Naming Opportunities

February 15, 2024

Background

As per *POL 03.00.02 – Criteria and Procedures for Naming Facilities, Programs and Funds*, the act of naming a facility or program shall be that of the Board of Trustees, acting after receiving the recommendation of the Chancellor.

Recommended Action

Chancellor W. Randolph Woodson recommends to the Board of Trustees the following proposed naming opportunities.

Overview

- **Total Naming Opportunities Proposals: 5**
- **Total Facility Proposals: 4**
- **Total Program Proposals: 1**
- **Total Naming Opportunities: 22**
- **Total Gift Amount: \$6,785,000**
- **Colleges/Units Represented:**
 - College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
 - College of Natural Resources
 - Wilson College of Textiles

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

Eastern 4-H Center

The waterfront Eastern 4-H Center opened in 2001 and hosts year-round recreational, educational, professional and community programs for groups of all ages. The Pier and Wetlands Boardwalk were rebuilt in 2018. The Bayfront Boardwalk is scheduled to be rebuilt in 2024.

- **Naming Type:** Existing spaces
- **Total Naming Opportunities: 3**
- **Total Gift Amount of Naming Opportunities: \$210,000**
- **Purpose of Funds:** Gifts will support Eastern 4-H Center.

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Board of Trustees Consent Agenda University Advancement Committee Proposed Naming Opportunities

February 15, 2024

Schaub Food Science Building (Schaub Hall)

Schaub Food Science Building (Schaub Hall) houses the teaching, research and extension operations of the Department of Food, Bioprocessing and Nutrition Science. The building includes unique facilities for research, dairy and meat production, food packaging and more.

- **Naming Type:** Existing spaces
- **Total Naming Opportunities:** 16
- **Total Gift Amount of Naming Opportunities:** \$2,050,000
- **Purpose of Funds:** Gifts will support programmatic needs of the Department of Food, Bioprocessing and Nutrition Science and upkeep of the Schaub Hall ground floor spaces.

College of Natural Resources

Slocum Camp Cook's Cabin

Slocum Camp at Hill Forest houses CNR students each summer for six to nine weeks of immersive, practical experience. The Cook's Cabin was built in 1965 and is included in upcoming renovation plans.

- **Naming Type:** Existing building
- **Total Naming Opportunities:** 1
- **Total Gift Amount of Naming Opportunities:** \$25,000
- **Purpose of Funds:** Gifts will support Slocum Camp renovations.

Wilson College of Textiles

Flex Factory

The Textiles Complex was originally constructed in 1990. A significant renovation to create the new Flex Factory workspace is scheduled for February 2025-February 2026.

- **Naming Type:** Renovation
- **Total Naming Opportunities:** 1
- **Total Gift Amount of Naming Opportunities:** \$3,000,000
- **Purpose of Funds:** Gifts will support the Flex Factory renovation.

Textile Protection and Comfort Center (TPACC)

TPACC is the only academic center in the country that can research, test and evaluate the comfort and protective performance of textile materials, garments and ensemble systems all in one location. The program also provides customized research and testing plans for the industry.

Board of Trustees Consent Agenda University Advancement Committee Proposed Naming Opportunities

February 15, 2024

- **Naming Type:** Program
- **Total Naming Opportunities:** 1
- **Total Gift Amount of Naming Opportunities:** \$1,500,000
- **Purpose of Funds:** Gifts will support the TPACC program.

Policy References

POL 03.00.02 – Criteria and Procedures for Naming Facilities, Programs and Funds

**Request for Authorization to Discontinue
Master (MR) in Genetics
CIP 26.0801
North Carolina State University**

I. Summary of Requested Program Discontinuation

1. About the Program.

Program level: ___Certificate ___Bachelor's X Master's ___Doctorate
Type of certificate (if applicable): ___Undergraduate ___Graduate

The program is a joint degree program. ___ Yes X No
Joint partner campus: N/A

Term of proposed discontinuation (first term new students will no longer be admitted):
Term Fall Year 2023

2. Type of Program Discontinuation Being Requested.

a) ___ **Discontinue – Permanent:** While course offerings already shared across degree programs may continue, the program components will not become a significant or distinct component of another program. The degree program is discontinued in full in Academic Program Inventory (API), including any approved off-campus sites and alternate means of delivery; requires action of the UNC Board of Governors.

b) ___ **Discontinue – Delivery:** Eliminate one or more delivery types and keep the program active.

- ___ On-campus delivery of program
- ___ Online delivery of program
- ___ Site-based delivery of program
 - ___ Instructor present (off-campus delivery)
 - ___ Instructor not present (site-based distance education)

c) X **Discontinue – Consolidate:** Program components will become a significant or distinct component in another degree program (e.g., concentration/track).

- X Existing degree program (BOG approved)
 - Program title, degree, CIP: Functional Genomics, MR, CIP 26.0807 (also proposing program title change after discontinuation - consolidation to Genetics and Genomics)

OR

- ___ New degree program (Request to Establish and BOG approval generally required)
 - Proposed program title, degree, CIP _____

3. Explain why the program, site, or delivery mode is being discontinued.

The NC State Genomic Sciences program was created two decades ago, launching the sibling Bioinformatics and Functional Genomics interdepartmental graduate programs. When those programs were created, Genetics had been a department for many years and had its own degree program. With the creation of the College of Sciences and the realignment of life sciences on the NC State campus, the Genetics graduate program became an interdepartmental program. In the process, this created unnecessary overlap and unintentional competition between Genetics and Functional Genomics. During the last external review of the Genetics program, reviewers advised the coordination or merger of Genetics with Functional Genomics to solve various concerns relating to the sustainability and efficiency of both programs.

4. Describe steps to be taken to allow students enrolled in the program, site, or delivery mode to complete their courses of study.

Current students will have no negative impacts. Students will be given the option of continuing with their current degree plans (no required courses are being discontinued) or switching to the proposed Genetics and Genomics degree plan.

5. Discuss the reassignment of any faculty, staff, and EHRA non-faculty, including the number of each type of personnel to be reassigned.

The Functional Genomics and Genetics programs currently overlap in several ways. Many faculty are members of multiple programs; the courses taken by the students (both required and elective) overlap extensively; the programs share a Graduate Services Coordinator; and there is tremendous overlap in scientific focus. For this reason, it is anticipated that much of the proposed integration will be rather transparent and painless. All current Functional Genomics and Genetics faculty members will be invited to join the proposed Genetics and Genomics graduate faculty.

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No faculty, staff, or non-faculty members will have their employment discontinued.

II. Summary of Review Processes

1. Campus Review Process and Feedback.

The proposal was reviewed by NC State faculty (department and college committees), the Administrative Board of the Graduate School (ABGS), the Council of Deans, Provost, and Chancellor. Approval and support were provided at all requisite levels.

2. UNC System Office Review Process and Feedback.

If approved by the NC State Board of Trustees, the Request for Authorization to Discontinue will be submitted to the UNC System Office for its review and subsequent submission to the UNC Board of Governors for action.

III. Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve North Carolina State University's request to **discontinue the Master (MR) in Genetics (26.0801)**. Upon Board approval, the program will be consolidated into the Master (MR) in Functional Genomics (26.0807). In addition, the program title will be changed from Functional Genomics (26.0807) to Genetics and Genomics (26.0807).

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North Carolina State University**

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The Functional Genomics and Genetics programs currently overlap in several ways. Many faculty are members of multiple programs; the courses taken by the students (both required and elective) overlap extensively; the programs share a Graduate Services Coordinator; and there is tremendous overlap in scientific focus. For this reason, it is anticipated that much of the proposed integration will be rather transparent and painless. All current Functional Genomics and Genetics faculty members will be invited to join the proposed Genetics and Genomics graduate faculty.

6. Discuss the discontinuation of employment of any faculty, staff, and EHRA non-faculty, including the number of each type of personnel to be discontinued.

No faculty, staff, or non-faculty members will have their employment discontinued.

II. Summary of Review Processes

1. Campus Review Process and Feedback.

The proposal was reviewed by NC State faculty (department and college committees), the Administrative Board of the Graduate School (ABGS), the Council of Deans, Provost, and Chancellor. Approval and support were provided at all requisite levels.

2. UNC System Office Review Process and Feedback.

If approved by the NC State Board of Trustees, the Request for Authorization to Discontinue will be submitted to the UNC System Office for its review and subsequent submission to the UNC Board of Governors for action.

III. Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve North Carolina State University's request to **discontinue the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Genetics (26.0801)**. Upon Board approval, the program will be consolidated into the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Functional Genomics (26.0807). In addition, the program title will be changed from Functional Genomics (26.0807) to Genetics and Genomics (26.0807).

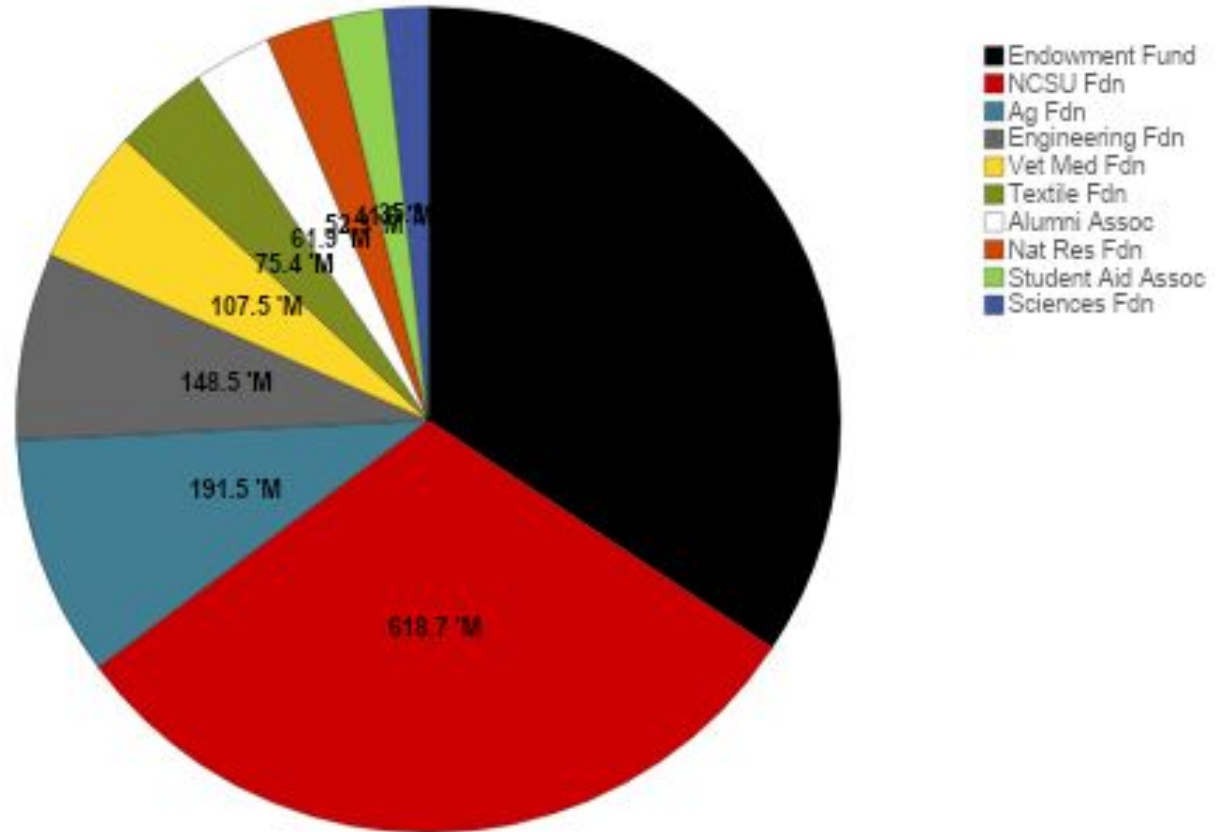
Annual Report on Endowments and Investments

Audit, Risk Management & Finance Committee
February 15, 2024

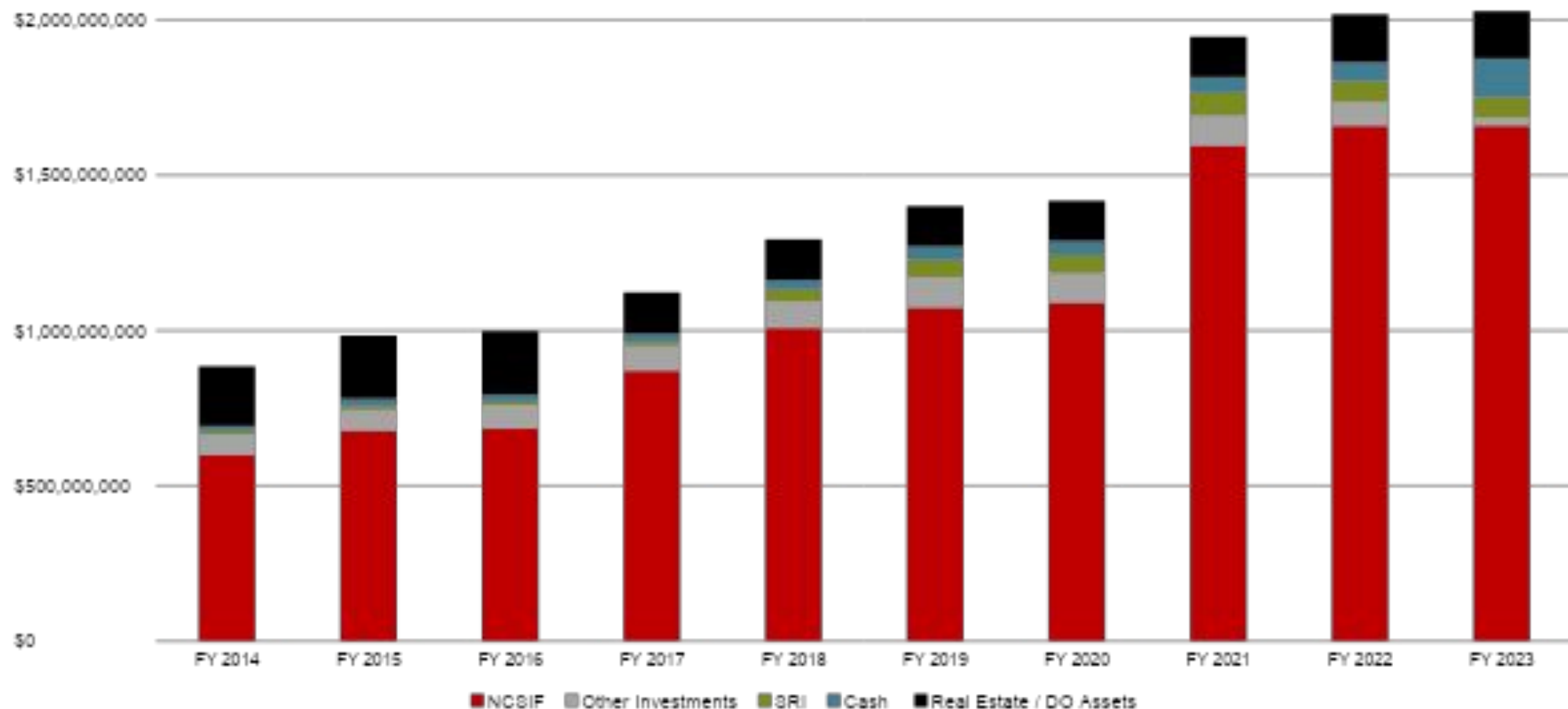


NC State University & Associated Entities Total Endowment Support

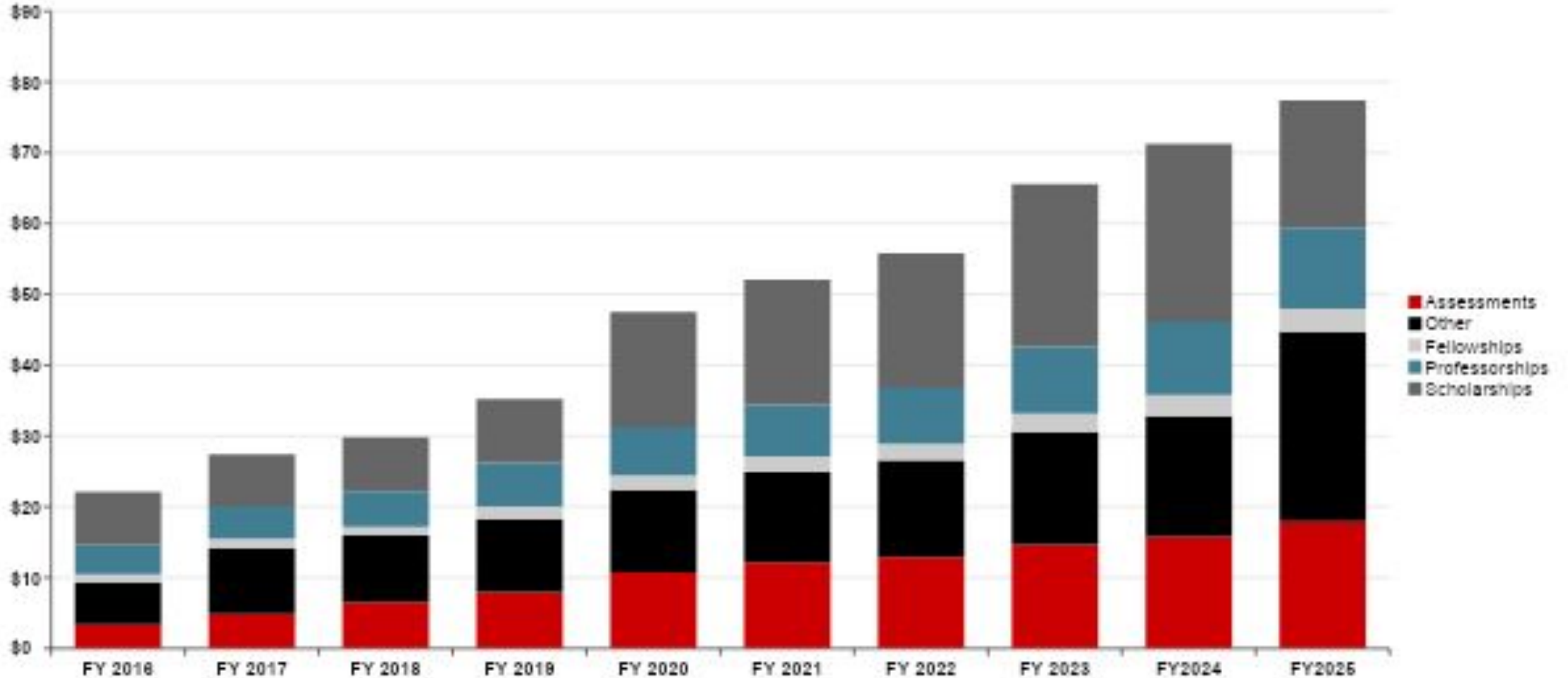
\$2.03 billion
as of June 30, 2023



NC State University & Associated Entities 10-Year History of Endowment Market Values and Performance



NC State University & Associated Entities Endowment Spending



“Other” includes, but is not limited to, endowment support for libraries, research, ARTS NC State, extension, and a variety of programs at the college and department level with multiple purposes.

Operating Cash Investments as of December 31, 2023

Total Market Value as of
12/31/23:
\$625.4 Million

Investment strategy is to provide maximum income while maintaining enough liquidity to meet operating needs.

State Treasurer's Short-Term Investment
Fund (STIF):
\$358.8 Million

- Managed portfolio of highly liquid fixed income securities.

NC State Intermediate Term Fund
(ITF):
\$266.6 Million

- Pooled university and foundation operating funds with intermediate term duration.

NC State Intermediate Term Fund (ITF) Performance

For the Period Ending December 31, 2023

NC State ITF Total Market Value

\$336.6 Million

University's Portion of ITF

\$266.6 Million

Performance Summary	FYTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	Since Inception
NC State ITF Fund	4.3%	6.6%	0.8%	2.8%	2.1%
Vanguard Short Term Fund	4.3%	6.1%	-0.1%	2.1%	1.9%
PIMCO Income Fund	5.3%	9.3%	1.1%	3.4%	3.8%
JP Morgan Funds	4.2%	-	-	-	4.0%
Merganser	4.0%	-	-	-	5.8%
US Treasuries	2.7%	-	-	-	3.5%
<i>Barclays US Universal 1-5 Years</i>	4.3%	5.9%	-0.4%	1.8%	1.7%
<i>Barclays U.S. Treasury: 1-3 Year</i>	3.3%	4.4%	-0.1%	1.3%	1.1%

For more information about the NC State Intermediate Term Fund, please visit this website: <https://investments.ofa.ncsu.edu/funds-we-manage/intermediate-term-fund-itf/>

NC State Investment Fund, Inc. LTP Performance

For the Period Ending December 31, 2023

NCSIF Total Market Value

\$1.75 Billion

Performance	FYTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
NCSIF	4.9%	7.6%	9.3%	11.1%	9.1%
<i>Benchmarks</i>					
<i>Policy Index (1)</i>	5.9%	15.9%	5.9%	11.1%	7.2%
<i>Global Index (2)</i>	6.1%	17.1%	3.1%	8.7%	6.3%
Performance by Manager	FYTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
UNCIF (75.1%)	5.0%	6.6%	9.8%	11.6%	9.3%
NCSIF Private Assets (6.0%)	4.2%	8.9%	20.5%	14.8%	13.6%
BlackRock LPP (6.4%)	7.4%	18.8%	5.4%	9.9%	7.1%

Note 1: Policy Index = NCSIF's Strategic Investment Policy Portfolio Index (SIPP).

Note 2: Global Index = 70% ACWI; 30% Barclay's Aggregate

Questions?



Long-Term Investment Pool
Portfolio Performance and Allocation
December 31, 2023

Performance Summary	MTD	3 Month	FYTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Long-Term Investment Pool	1.6%	3.8%	4.9%	7.6%	9.3%	11.1%	9.1%
<i>Policy Benchmark*</i>	3.8%	8.0%	5.9%	15.9%	5.9%	10.2%	7.2%
<i>UNC Investment Fund, Inc.</i>	1.3%	3.3%	5.0%	6.6%	9.8%	11.6%	9.3%
<i>NC State Private Assets</i>	-0.2%	1.8%	4.2%	8.9%	20.5%	14.8%	13.6%
<i>BlackRock LPP</i>	6.3%	11.5%	7.4%	18.8%	5.4%	9.9%	7.1%
<i>Global Index (1)</i>	4.5%	9.8%	6.1%	17.1%	3.1%	8.7%	6.3%
		Asset Allocation					
Asset Class/Style	Market Value**	Actual**	Policy	Over (Under)**	Tactical Range		
Total Long-Term Investment Pool	\$ 1,751,543,917	100.0%	100.0%				
Public Equity Strategies Total	434,910,266	24.8%	33.0%	-8.2%	24 - 36%		
Domestic Equity	194,828,108	11.1%					
International Equity	100,815,198	5.8%					
Emerging Market Equity	72,125,185	4.1%					
Global Equity	67,141,775	3.8%					
Fixed Income Investments & Cash	331,798,528	18.9%	13.0%	5.9%			
Fixed Income Strategies	130,893,574	7.5%	11.0%	-3.5%	5 - 15%		
Cash Total (2)	200,904,955	11.5%	2.0%	9.5%	0 - 8%		
Other Investment Strategies	309,019,715	17.6%	21.0%	-3.4%			
Long/Short Equity	189,096,823	10.8%	15.0%	-4.2%	10 - 20%		
Diversifying Strategies	119,922,892	6.8%	6.0%	0.8%	3 - 14%		
Private Strategies Total	675,815,407	38.6%	33.0%	5.6%			
Private Equity	495,128,829	28.3%	22.0%	6.3%	14 - 30%		
Real Estate	117,569,692	6.7%	6.0%	0.7%	3 - 12%		
Energy and Natural Resources	63,116,886	3.6%	5.0%	-1.4%	3 - 10%		
* Preliminary							
** Totals may vary due to rounding							
Note 1: Global Index of 70% ACWI and 30% Barclay's Aggregate							
Note 2: Includes Liquidating Managers							

NC State ITF Fund
Intermediate Term Fund
Portfolio Performance and Allocation
December 31, 2023

Performance Summary	MTD	3 Month	FYTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	Since Inception
NC State ITF Fund	2.0%	4.1%	4.3%	6.6%	0.8%	2.8%	2.1%
Vanguard Short Term Fund	1.8%	4.0%	4.3%	6.1%	-0.1%	2.1%	1.9%
PIMCO Income Fund	3.1%	5.9%	5.3%	9.3%	1.1%	3.4%	3.8%
JP Morgan Funds	2.2%	4.2%	4.2%	-	-	-	4.0%
Merganser	1.2%	2.8%	4.0%	-	-	-	5.8%
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Barclays US Universal 1-5 Years	1.8%	3.7%	3.9%	5.5%	-0.5%	1.8%	1.6%
Barclays U.S. Treasury: 1-3 Year	1.2%	2.6%	3.3%	4.3%	-0.1%	1.3%	1.1%
Asset Class	Market Value*			Actual%*	Yield%	Fees%**	Effective Duration***
NC State ITF Fund	\$336,601,485			100.0%	4.8%	0.3%	3.0
Core Assets	\$230,576,166			68.5%	4.8%	0.2%	2.3
Vanguard Short Term Fund	\$86,736,611			25.8%	4.9%	0.1%	2.5
JP Morgan Short Core Fund	\$34,584,939			10.3%	4.0%	0.3%	2.0
JP Morgan Short Core Plus Fund	\$23,076,048			6.9%	4.3%	0.3%	2.9
JP Morgan Core Fund	\$12,621,997			3.7%	4.4%	0.3%	6.1
JP Morgan Core Plus Fund	\$3,877,530			1.2%	4.8%	0.4%	6.3
Merganser	\$36,068,178			10.7%	5.9%	0.2%	1.8
US Treasuries	\$33,610,862			10.0%	4.6%	0.0%	0.6
Strategic Assets	\$102,898,237			30.6%	5.0%	0.6%	4.6
PIMCO Income Fund	\$88,480,877			26.3%	4.9%	0.6%	4.7
JP Morgan Income Fund	\$14,417,360			4.3%	5.6%	0.4%	3.8
Cash	\$3,127,081			0.9%	4.1%	0.0%	0.7
STIF	\$3,127,081			0.9%	4.1%	0.0%	0.7

Note: This Monthly Performance Report is based on information available at the time of distribution. The financial information comprising this report has not been audited and is subject to change.

*Total may vary due to rounding

** The management fee of PIMCO Income hasn't changed at 50bps, but there was a regulatory rule that went into effect recently that now requires mutual funds to disclose interest expense in prospectuses and other fund marketing materials. As such, you might see a fluctuation from time to time in the Fund's total expense ratio, although the management fee itself didn't change. A fund incurs interest expense on financing arrangements in which it receives cash from an approved counterparty. Generally, the interest expense reflected in a fund's total expense ratio is attributable to the cost incurred by a fund for borrowing cash on a short-term basis (e.g., through reverse repurchase agreements) or securities. Interest expense is not paid to PIMCO.

*** The effective duration figure is currently excluding US Treasuries from the calculation

On behalf of the NC State University Office of the Faculty Senate, please find the February 2024 report to the Board of Trustees, summarizing the agenda issues presented to the Faculty Senate during our last four meetings of the fall 2023 semester.

Faculty Wellbeing

The first meeting covered by this report was the Fall 2023 General Faculty Meeting, held on October 17. The meeting focused on faculty wellbeing, including presentations on existing resources that support and a discussion about additional resources/ideas on how the university could further support our wellbeing.

To prepare for the meeting, I surveyed faculty about their greatest interests and concerns regarding faculty wellbeing at NC State. The results were used to form breakout discussions during the General Faculty Meeting. Considering both the survey results and notes from the discussions, three major themes emerged.

The first was that faculty are being asked to do more with comparatively fewer resources. Faculty described increases in workload that impact all realms of responsibilities, from increasing class sizes, expectations to support student mental health (with limited/no training to do so), service load, and research administration. A common sub-theme was the decrease in staff support—for example response times have increased, leading to delays and increased workload ‘tracking down’ necessary information, or some tasks that were once done by staff now need to be completed by faculty. Faculty recognized that this is due at least in part to staff turnover and difficulty hiring/retaining qualified staff, which has been a major issue since the start of the pandemic. Another sub-theme was how salaries have not kept pace with inflation or cost of living.

The second theme was an increase in the number of rules governing, layers of approval for, or steps that need to be completed as part of many university processes (e.g. purchasing; travel; pre/post-award tasks for research grants). This theme relates to the first, as it could increase faculty workload in a way that may not meaningfully contribute to the university’s mission. A sub-theme here was the perception of staff as compliance officers rather than as offering support to faculty.

The third theme was the need for transparent, two-way communication—from the administration to the faculty and from the faculty to the administration. This theme tended to focus specifically on communication between department heads and their units.

It is important to recognize that this data was not collected from a random sample of faculty; those with concerns were much more likely to participate than those without. That being said, I think the consistency of the concerns points to issues that are worth investigating further. Some questions pertaining to faculty wellbeing were added to the COACHE job satisfaction survey so that we can get a better representation from across campus. The administration has been working with faculty groups

to identify and prioritize university processes that could be made more efficient. Additionally, the Faculty Senate and the Staff Senate are increasing collaboration to address issues that affect both of our constituents.

Quality Enhancement Plan

The October 31 meeting of the Faculty Senate featured an overview of the Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP)—Packways for All: Learning by Doing—that is a key component of SACS accreditation. The interim QEP director, Dr. Holly Hurlburt, presented an overview of the current plan, its development process, and next steps. Dr. Hurlburt will join the Faculty Senate again in a future meeting to discuss opportunities for faculty participation as the QEP gets closer to implementation.

The meeting also saw a presentation on the Wolfpack Wellness Badge Program, as a continuation of the theme of faculty wellbeing.

Graduate Admissions

Our next meeting, held on November 14, featured a discussion on navigating the recent SCOTUS decision regarding affirmative action as it impacts graduate admissions. Dr. Peter Harries, Dean of the Graduate School, spoke with us about initiatives to ensure a representative graduate student body, including strategies for more holistic review of graduate applications.

Important Updates

The final meeting of the Fall semester was held on November 28 and featured several important updates from across campus. Dr. Amy Orders provided updates on and answered questions about the closing of Poe Hall. Dr. Bradley Davis shared the updated Faculty and Staff Ombuds Charter. Finally, senate liaisons to various university standing committees and the co-chairs of the Faculty Senate subcommittees provided updates on committee business. Such committee updates are required once per semester as part of the Faculty Senate Bylaws. Additionally, participation on these committees is one way the Faculty Senate supports shared governance and these updates are a valuable part of that process.

As always, I thank you for the opportunity to present this report to the Board of Trustees. I look forward to providing my next report, which will cover the beginning of the spring semester.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Herle McGowan
Chair of the NC State University Faculty, 2022-2025
Teaching Professor, Department of Statistics, College of Sciences

To: Honorable Trustees and Distinguished Members

From: Alan Porch

Staff Senate Chair

Date: February 16, 2024

Re: Board of Trustees Report

The Staff Senate continues to actively work as the advisory body and “voice” of our constituents, the staff at NC State, but we do not limit our work, support and advocacy to only the benefit of the staff, but our entire NC State community.

Since the last report to this body, we have continued to act and advocate across many fronts and in many different ways.

Through our general body meetings we’ve had presentations that help us as representatives and advocates learn more about services and how to access them.

We welcomed Dan O’Brien, the Director of Employee Relations to talk to us about the Faculty and Staff Assistance Program or FASAP, at our November meeting. We learned the program provides access to not only mental health resources, but resources to help with financial planning, legal support, and many more services that help our faculty and staff 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

We continue to stay timely with issues concerning campus, our constituents, and the world. We welcomed back Dr. Amy Orders to help us understand the complicated challenges with Poe Hall. Dr. Orders attended our December general body meeting and answered many questions and provided available information including where to find updates on Poe Hall. Dr. Orders took the time to provide information on steps to follow should we experience building issues in other campus buildings.

Our December meeting provided an opportunity to learn about the Universal Declaration of Human Rights from Prashitha Gnanaprakasam, Founder and CEO of Global Academy of Excellence. Prashitha helped us understand this milestone document and what it sets out as fundamental human rights through its 30 articles. This was a special presentation as the declaration celebrates its 75th anniversary.

December’s meeting provided a direct opportunity for our Senators to learn about the updated Computer Use/IT Resources policy. Senators provided feedback and asked questions of the representative from the Office of Information Technology. The Staff Senate provided our official support of the new IT Resources policy, POL 08.00.01 at that meeting.

Kaleigh Steigman, FeedThePack’s Americorp VISTA representative, joined the Senate for our general body meeting in January. She expressed gratitude for the Staff Senate’s support for the FeedThePack food pantry and provided more information on Pack Essentials and the food pantry in the Pack Essentials Hub in North Hall as part of her presentation. Senators were extremely engaged with questions for Kaleigh and expressed gratitude for the services provided that benefit our entire NC State community. Staff Senate was able to partner with the Pack Essentials Hub to distribute our warm winter clothing collected in December as well as sort out professional clothes for the Wolfpack Styled Professional Clothing Closet at the Career Development Center.

Linnea Linton, Associate Director of the joint NC State and UNC-Asheville Engineering program shared a presentation on the joint degree programs in Engineering between UNC Asheville and NC State. The presentation was informative and reminded us that NC State has reach across the state, and not just via Cooperative Extension. Senators were excited to learn about the opportunities available to our students with shared degree programs as well as the Mechatronics engineering degree, a concentration that's only available via the joint program.

As we continue through the rest of this term, our general body meetings will further allow us to speak about issues, review policies and strengthen relationships with our campus partners enabling the Staff Senate to continue to lead the way in building the community we want to be for a better NC State.

The Staff Senate is extremely proud of all of the work we do and would like to share highlights of some of our recent activities since our last report to the Board of Trustees:

- Merging the Staff Senate X (formerly Twitter) feed with University HR's WolfPackatWork X feeds. This has allowed us to grow and share our audiences and followers together, reaching even more of our NC State Community.
- Communicating concerns on the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program that resulted in updates to the website site and ability to submit forms electronically.
- Facilitating an outstanding Toys for Tots drive that brought in 2000 toys to help children and families in need over the holiday season.
- Collecting 24 units of blood at our November blood drive with our community partner, BloodConnection and scheduling four more collection dates in January.
- Kicking-off our Prison Books collection program, where we collect softcover books for prisoners. The program through Prison Books Collective, a local volunteer-run, non-profit, provides books and magazines to individuals in prisons and jails in North Carolina and Alabama, free of charge.
- Automating and integrating our Computer Loan Program's inventory to ensure better tracking and positioning the program to continue to succeed in the future.
- Collaborating with Campus Enterprises' graduate student digital navigators to work with Campus Enterprise staff leveraging our Computer Loan Program to start building the digital skills of those who need it while we wait to fund and advertise the full time digital navigator position.
- Distributing over 85 coats and other pieces of warm winter clothing at the Pack Essentials Hub from our Warm Winter Clothing collection drive.
- Donating 400 pounds of non-perishable food collected by our Senators across campus for the FeedthePack food pantry.
- Live-streaming an interactive tour of the NC State Eco Ecology Farm to not only share with participants in person, but anywhere across the state. We hope to continue to provide options like this to increase the reach of our tours and be more inclusive of those that may not be able to travel to main campus.
- Scheduling more tours of our facilities on campus including the Wilson College of Textiles, Surplus Warehouse, Football field(for turf grass), the Arboretum and Horticulture Sciences' Greenhouse.
- Presenting to the Northeastern district County Extension Director's meeting for Cooperative Extension in Washington, NC to ensure our Extension staff know they have a voice and that there are many ways for our extension staff and our Raleigh campus staff to connect.

Building a stronger community is done through solid partnerships, and it goes without saying that this term has seen continued growth and communication between Faculty Senate, Staff Senate and Student Government.

We are planning a joint meeting of the Faculty and Staff Senates, and that would not be possible without the support and relationship between the chairs of both Senates. We continue to communicate with

Student Government and look for ways where we can partner together to advocate for our NC State Community.

When speaking toward the importance of relationships, it's with gratitude and much thanks to both the Chair of the Faculty and the Provost's office that I can say that the Chair of the Staff Senate has an office for the first time in a long time. We are extremely grateful to have a space to work for the Staff of NC State, and even more grateful for that space to be with the Chair of the Faculty so that our relationship continues to grow. For many years, Staff Senate hasn't had a home, or a place for the Chair to "land" and focus on the tasks that help us advocate for Staff, and again, I have to share how extremely grateful I am to have a place to work that allows for focus and continued collaboration.

The NC State Staff Senate continues to 'Think and Do' as we actively work to be the community we want to be and build the community we want to see for a better NC State.

I thank you for the opportunity to present this report to the Board of Trustees. I look forward to providing my next and final report as Chair

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alan Porch', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Lewis Alan Porch, II (Alan Porch)

Staff Senate Chair *2023/2024