

**OPEN SESSION MINUTES**  
**Board of Trustees**  
**North Carolina State University**  
**Raleigh, North Carolina**  
**September 6, 2024**

The North Carolina State University Board of Trustees met in regular session on Friday, September 6, 2024. Trustees attended the meeting in the Hood Board Room, located in the Park Alumni Center.

Members present: Edward I. Weisiger, Jr., Chair  
Marie F. Arcuri  
Erik L. Dixon  
James A. Harrell  
David D. Herring  
James L. Holmes  
Timothy Humphrey  
Ghazale Johnston  
Wendell H. Murphy  
Ven Poole, III  
David M. Powers  
Perry Safran  
Edwin J. Stack, III  
Allison Markert, ex officio

Members absent: Derick S. Close

Chair Weisiger called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. and a quorum was present. Chair Weisiger thanked everyone for attending the 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 asked if any members of the media were present and the following introduced themselves: Kate Denning with the *Technician*. Chair Weisiger also 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.

**MINUTES**

Chair Weisiger asked for a motion to approve the open and closed session minutes of the July 18, 2024 meeting of the full Board. Trustee Safran made the motion and Trustee Dixon seconded. Chair Weisiger called on Assistant Secretary Maggie Thompson to record the vote. All members were in favor.

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| Arcuri   | AYE    | Johnston | AYE |
| Close    | ABSENT | Markert  | AYE |
| Dixon    | AYE    | Murphy   | AYE |
| Harrell  | AYE    | Poole    | AYE |
| Herring  | AYE    | Powers   | AYE |
| Holmes   | AYE    | Safran   | AYE |
| Humphrey | AYE    | Stack    | AYE |
|          |        | Weisiger | AYE |

The motion passed.

**CEREMONIAL OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEW BOARD MEMBERS - JUDGE PAUL RIDGEWAY**

Chair Weisiger asked Trustees Marie Arcuri, Jim Holmes, Wendell Murphy and Allison Markert to stand for their Ceremonial Oath of Office. After the oath was administered, Chair Weisiger thanked Judge Ridgeway for presiding.

**CHAIR'S REPORT - CHAIR ED WEISIGER, JR.**

Chair Weisiger began his report by reiterating how honored he is to serve as board chair and thanking the Trustees for their confidence in him and the Executive Committee. Chair Weisiger reminded the Trustees of their delegations and responsibilities and discussed their role as Trustees. He encouraged Trustees to be active and engaged. Chair Weisiger stated that the first fundamental position of the Board of Trustees is their fiduciary responsibility to the State of North Carolina and its citizens, and he thanked the Trustees for the work they are doing for the university.

The next order of business was the ACC Certification Form. Each year, the ACC requires University Boards of Trustees to certify that the authority for the Administration of Intercollegiate Athletics has been delegated to the Chancellor. Discussion was held regarding that completion of this form is an NCAA requirement. Chair Weisiger asked for approval of this certification. Trustee Stack made the motion and Trustee Poole seconded. Chair Weisiger called on Assistant Secretary Maggie Thompson to record the vote. All members were in favor.

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| Arcuri   | AYE    | Johnston | AYE |
| Close    | ABSENT | Markert  | AYE |
| Dixon    | AYE    | Murphy   | AYE |
| Harrell  | AYE    | Poole    | AYE |
| Herring  | AYE    | Powers   | AYE |
| Holmes   | AYE    | Safran   | AYE |
| Humphrey | AYE    | Stack    | AYE |
|          |        | Weisiger | AYE |

The motion passed.

Chair Weisiger then shared updates from the Executive Committee meeting. The Executive Committee met in open session on September 6, 2024 to review the committee responsibilities and delegations of authority and then met in closed session to hear a report on a personnel item and to discuss an item that will come before the full board in closed session later today.

Chair Weisiger then called on Vice Chair Ed Stack to share the Endowment Fund Board of Trustees report. Vice Chair Stack stated that the Endowment Fund Board of Trustees met on Wednesday, September 4, 2024 and a quorum was present. The Roles and Responsibilities of the Board were reviewed, including an explanation of the history of the Endowment Fund, key attributes, UPMIFA provisions, as well as the fiduciary responsibilities of the Board.

Minutes from the February 12, 2024 general session meeting and the April 22, 2024 and May 2, 2024 executive session meetings were approved.

Treasurer Charles Maimone presented gifts and other additions on behalf of the Chancellor for the Board's acceptance. The Board accepted new gifts and other additions of approximately \$17.31 million received between January 1 and June 30, 2024.

Treasurer Maimone also reviewed the Treasurer's delegated authority for real estate matters and the Board approved continuation of the existing delegated authority thresholds through FY25.

Assistant Treasurer Dana Harris and Erin Delehanty, Senior Director, Foundations Accounting and Investments provided an update on the University's total endowment and the Endowment Fund's investment portfolio. The Endowment Fund is one component of the University's total endowment. Overall, the University's total endowment was valued at \$2.22 billion at June 30, 2024. The Endowment Fund's portion of this was \$761.1 million.

The Endowment Fund continues to be the largest participant in the NC State Investment Fund with an investment of \$586.2 million, slightly higher than the \$526.5 million reported June 30, 2023. The Investment Fund returned 11.8% for the 12 months ending June 30, 2024. This fell short of the policy

benchmark, which can be attributed to private equity underperforming the public benchmark and lagged reporting. The three- and five-year average annual returns of 5.3% and 10.7%, respectively, surpassed the benchmarks. The Board also heard an update on the Investment Fund's asset allocation, and the performance of various asset classes in the portfolio.

Associate Vice Chancellor for Real Estate and Development, Alicia Knight, and Michael Fausnight, Development Director, presented key project updates on real estate assets held by the Endowment Fund as well as administrative updates.

Real estate updates focused primarily on Centennial Campus and activity surrounding the Innovation District and North Shore projects. The Innovation District developer continues work to further design and construction documents for development and is also pursuing permits. At North Shore, the Endowment Fund is working to finalize an amendment to the existing transaction documents to provide the Developer a conditional extension of rights to complete the final phases of the project's development.

Vice Chancellor Brian Sischo provided the Board with highlights of FY24 fundraising efforts. He also discussed LOBO, a new fundraising tool and how it will increase engagement, staff productivity, data and analytics and fundraising overall. He provided the results of the March 20, 2024 Day of Giving, which received \$46.6 million in gifts.

The Board was updated of the Bylaws changes approved by the University Board of Trustees in July. This concluded Vice Chair Stack's report to the Board of Trustees.

This concluded Chair Weisiger's report.

#### **CHANCELLOR'S REPORT – RANDY WOODSON**

Chancellor Woodson began his report by thanking the Board for their work and then provided updates to the Board of Trustees.

Chancellor Woodson shared that the winner of the 2024 Millennium Technology Prize, the highest technological award in the world, is Dr. Jay Baliga. This prestigious award will be presented in October by the Republic of Finland and recognizes Dr. Baliga's leadership in the invention, development, and commercialization of the Insulated Gate Bipolar Transistor. The technology has reduced global carbon dioxide emission by over 82 gigatons (180 trillion pounds) in the past 30 years and is used all over the world in a wide array of technologies. Chancellor Woodson encouraged everyone to review Dr. Baliga's information and work online.

Chancellor Woodson then shared highlights from last fiscal year, stating it was another great year for student, faculty and staff success; national awards and recognition; and new campus initiatives and development. In student recognition, NC State chemical engineering student Katherine Traynelis was recognized with the Astronaut Scholarship Foundation Award – given to the brightest and most talented college students in STEM. NC State also had five students receive grants from the Fulbright U.S. Student Program, and eight faculty members named as Fulbright Scholars. NC State was also recently recognized as a Fulbright Top Producing Institution, meaning we had one of the highest numbers of students, faculty and administrators selected for both programs. In other faculty rewards, two NC State faculty members were named National Academy of Inventors Fellows, which is a program created to recognize and encourage passionate inventors. Dr. Kenneth Adler, a professor of cell biology in the College of Veterinary Medicine, was elected alongside Craig Yencho, William Neal Reynolds Distinguished Professor and researcher in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. Dr. Craig Yencho was also awarded the 2024 Oliver Max Gardner Award, which recognizes faculty from UNC System institutions who have made great contributions to the welfare of the human race. The university also had two staff members receive the 2023 Governor's Award for Excellence, which recognizes outstanding employees nominated by state agencies and universities. Kelsey Mills, a research technician for NC State's College of Veterinary Medicine received the award alongside Bill Carlson, a program manager at NC State's Materials Support Warehouse.

In an effort to promote the student, faculty and staff success these awards represent, Chancellor Woodson stated that the university continues to look for and develop new ways to support our NC State community. The official opening of the Pack Essentials Hub in North Hall marked a new accomplishment towards promoting such success and expanding our capacity to provide students with support in meeting their basic needs in food, housing and more. The hub hosts the Feed the Pack Food Pantry, as well as drop-in hours from the NC State counseling and career center, allowing students to address any of their basic needs at one time. Since moving to North Hall, Feed the Pack has distributed over 218,000 pounds of food across more than 14,000 patron visits – a more than 34% increase from the previous year. The university has also begun to develop a leading college Esports Program, where students can foster community and be involved in competitive multiplayer videogaming. The temporary hub for the program opened in Hunt Library and serves as the center for esports research, teaching, learning and student involvement. The permanent home for the Esports arena and program will be in Mann Hall, located on Main Campus, once renovations on the building are completed.

Another highlight from last year that Chancellor Woodson shared is NC State's record-breaking research and commercialization efforts. University research expenditures were the highest on record at \$633 million – the first time in university history that we've surpassed \$600 million. In terms of commercialization, we helped launch 15 startups from NC State intellectual property, and university-based inventors submitted over 200 disclosures and negotiated 155 commercialization agreements. We were honored to be selected as partners and leaders on several major projects, including the Bezos Center for Sustainable Protein. This center is the first of several that the Bezos Earth Fund plans to establish, and will focus on developing sustainable and healthy dietary proteins. NC State was awarded \$30 million to lead the project over the next five years.

Chancellor Woodson stated that the past year also brought success in university reputation and visibility, making NC State more popular than ever before. NC State had an especially impactful year in athletics, receiving attention not only from the Men's and Women's NCAA Basketball Championships, but also in Women's Cross Country, Men's Swimming and Diving, Baseball, and much more. The success was not only beneficial in terms of media attention – with mentions from outlets like The New York Times – but also allowed us to connect with alumni and donors across the country. Engagement continues to be a main driver for NC State's success, and Chancellor Woodson was very proud to share all that the university has accomplished this past year with the Trustees.

Chancellor Woodson shared with the group that there are two vice chancellors who will undergo five-year reviews this fall: Brian Sischo, Vice Chancellor for University Advancement, and Charlie Maimone, Executive Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration. Chancellor Woodson requested the Trustees take a few minutes to fill out the surveys for these reviews when they are available, as their feedback and insight during this process is highly valuable.

In closing, Chancellor Woodson thanked the Trustees for their continued leadership and support of NC State. The accomplishments shared with the Trustees would not be possible without their involvement. That concluded the report from Chancellor Woodson.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE –COMMITTEE CHAIR TIMOTHY HUMPHREY**

The Buildings and Property Committee met on September 5, 2024 and a quorum was present. The Committee reviewed and approved the April 25, June 19, July 18, and August 19, 2024 open session meeting minutes. The Committee also reviewed the committee responsibilities and the annual planning calendar.

The Committee reviewed and approved three property matters for Full Board approval:

- Acquisition by Lease – space lease for the Institute Advanced Analytics (“IAA”) on Centennial Campus
- Acquisition by Lease – space lease for the Digital Education and Learning Technology Applications (“DELTA”) Testing Center on Centennial Campus
- Disposition by Lease – non-exclusive ground lease to USDA-ARS at Central Corps Research

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Committee Chair Humphrey asked for approval of these three property matters and a second was not required. Chair Weisiger called on Assistant Secretary Maggie Thompson to record the vote. All members were in favor.

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| Arcuri   | AYE    | Johnston | AYE     |
| Close    | ABSENT | Markert  | AYE     |
| Dixon    | AYE    | Murphy   | AYE     |
| Harrell  | AYE    | Poole    | AYE     |
| Herring  | AYE    | Powers   | AYE     |
| Holmes   | AYE    | Safran   | AYE     |
| Humphrey | AYE    | Stack    | AYE     |
|          |        | Weisiger | RECUSAL |

The motion passed.

The Committee reviewed and approved 14 designer selections of \$2 million or less and four plans and specifications of formal projects since the April 25, 2024 meeting. The Committee also reviewed and approved 30 completed buildings and projects accepted at the combined value of \$1,743,501, and two non-appropriated capital improvement projects that are less than \$750,000.

The Committee reviewed and approved the plans for the College of Veterinary Medicine Equine Hospital – Addition and Renovation and the Mann Hall Renovation. The Committee received informational reports regarding an Acquisition by Lease at 706 Hillsborough Street, Capital Projects, Status of Projects in Planning, Physical Master Plan and Campus Development Process and the Innovation District.

That concluded Committee Chair Humphrey’s report from the Buildings and Property Committee.

**UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE – ACTING COMMITTEE**  
**CHAIR PERRY SAFRAN**

The Advancement and External Affairs Committee met on Thursday, September 5, 2024 with a quorum present. The Committee then approved minutes from the April 25, 2024 meeting and reviewed the Committee’s responsibilities and plan of work. The Committee reviewed and approved for full board approval three naming opportunities proposals: one for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, one for the College of Veterinary Medicine, and one for the Office of the Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost.

Acting Committee Chair Safran made a motion for approval of the three naming opportunities and a second was not required. Chair Weisiger called on Assistant Secretary Maggie Thompson to record the vote. All members were in favor.

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| Arcuri   | AYE    | Johnston | AYE |
| Close    | ABSENT | Markert  | AYE |
| Dixon    | AYE    | Murphy   | AYE |
| Harrell  | AYE    | Poole    | AYE |
| Herring  | AYE    | Powers   | AYE |
| Holmes   | AYE    | Safran   | AYE |
| Humphrey | AYE    | Stack    | AYE |
|          |        | Weisiger | AYE |

The motion passed.

The Committee heard an update from Vice Chancellor Brian Sischo on University Advancement’s key accomplishments for the 2024 fiscal year, including the second-highest fundraising total of \$241 million; continued growth in endowment funds to benefit students and faculty; a record of nearly 22,000 gifts and \$46 million raised during the sixth annual Day of Giving; expansion of the awareness and recognition of NC State’s elevating brand; implementation of a new, expansive CRM; enhancement of engagement of all alumni; and another year of exceptional event experiences for alumni, donors and friends.

The Committee received an update from Vice Chancellor Julie Smith, which included a high-level outline of each of the various divisions within the External Affairs, Partnerships, and Economic Development unit as well as a legislative update summarizing the biennial legislative session. She highlighted significant budget accomplishments resulting in over \$600 million in state funding to the university, specifically emphasizing the transformational impacts to the physical campus. She also discussed non-capital items as well as overarching UNC System initiatives that NC State helped bring to fruition.

The Committee heard an update from Lisa Marie Ferrell, the university's Chief Communications and Marketing Officer, emphasizing that the University Communications and Marketing (UCOMM) team plays a key role in developing the university's marketing strategies, public relations and campus-wide communication efforts. Their work aims to enhance NC State's brand, manage its media presence and effectively communicate with both internal and external audiences. FY24 results have uniquely positioned the UCOMM team for continued growth and success into FY25.

The Committee met in closed session and approved six donor naming requests: one for the College of Engineering, four for the College of Natural Resources, and one for the Wilson College of Textiles. The committee also discussed and approved one honorific naming request, all of which will be presented to the full board in closed session.

The Committee also reviewed and recommended for full board approval the revisions to Policy 03.00.02. The revisions allow for donor-funded naming or honorific naming of certain positions at NC State and also provide clarity of definitions, roles and exceptions throughout.

Acting Committee Chair Safran asked for approval of the revisions to Policy 03.00.02 and a second was not required. Chair Weisiger asked for discussion or debate. Chair Weisiger called on Assistant Secretary Maggie Thompson to record the vote. All members were in favor.

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| Arcuri   | AYE    | Johnston | AYE |
| Close    | ABSENT | Markert  | AYE |
| Dixon    | AYE    | Murphy   | AYE |
| Harrell  | AYE    | Poole    | AYE |
| Herring  | AYE    | Powers   | AYE |
| Holmes   | AYE    | Safran   | AYE |
| Humphrey | AYE    | Stack    | AYE |
|          |        | Weisiger | AYE |

The motion passed.

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

#### **UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE – CHAIR DAVID POWERS**

The University Affairs Committee met on September 5, 2024 with a quorum present. The Committee reviewed their responsibilities and plan of work for this academic year. Under the consent agenda, the Committee approved the April 25, 2024 and July 18, 2024 meeting minutes; establishment of the Center of Excellence for Regulatory Science in Agriculture (CERSA); continuation of the Center for Research on Textile Protection and Comfort (TPACC); continuation of the Nonwovens Institute (NWI) and; conferral of academic tenure to three faculty members.

The Committee also recommended approval of the authorization to establish the Master of Science in Cybersecurity. The Master of Science in Cybersecurity will be an interdisciplinary program offered by the Departments of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering, with a proposed start date of Fall 2025. The program will focus on hardware and device security along with security software. The degree will be offered both on-campus and online to allow for maximum access and flexibility in program delivery. Graduates will be equipped with the latest technical knowledge and skills in cybersecurity and privacy principles as well as the engineering aspects of software and hardware security to build secure systems that are resistant to attack.

Committee Chair Powers asked for approval of the authorization to establish the Master of Science in Cybersecurity and a second was not required. Chair Weisiger called on Assistant Secretary Maggie Thompson to record the vote. All members were in favor.

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| Arcuri   | AYE    | Johnston | AYE |
| Close    | ABSENT | Markert  | AYE |
| Dixon    | AYE    | Murphy   | AYE |
| Harrell  | AYE    | Poole    | AYE |
| Herring  | AYE    | Powers   | AYE |
| Holmes   | AYE    | Safran   | AYE |
| Humphrey | AYE    | Stack    | AYE |
|          |        | Weisiger | AYE |

The motion passed.

The Committee also approved the updated bonus structure for Swimming and Diving as presented by the Department of Athletics.

The committee received several reports. First, the annual enrollment report highlighted new incoming undergraduate enrollment trends, including growth in the College of Engineering, new incoming graduate enrollment trends, and enrollment challenges and opportunities. Overall interest in NC State continues to increase. The University estimates it will enroll its largest incoming undergraduate class (28,426), and overall enrolled student (38,460) class in NC State's history. Graduate enrollment remains strong and new Graduate programs in development prioritize interdisciplinarity. The University continues to make progress toward the Engineering North Carolina's Future initiative and leaders are working to secure the necessary funding to support continued growth.

The committee received updates from Student Body President Allison Markert and Graduate Student Association President Summia Rahman. Both President Markert and President Rahman highlighted current efforts within their organizations, key points for Trustees and priority items for the year.

In his report to the committee, Provost Arden provided an update on newly appointed academic leaders in his office: Kim Grainger has been appointed the new Senior Vice Provost for Faculty Excellence and Eduardo Lorente will join the university later in September as Vice Provost for Budget and Business Operations. Provost Arden also noted the university has welcomed 145 new faculty members which includes full time, tenured, tenure-track and professional track faculty. The Provost also provided a brief update to the committee on the progress toward compliance with the new UNC System policy, Equality Within the University of North Carolina.

The committee was made aware of academic program-related information including new graduate and undergraduate certificates.

That concluded Committee Chair Powers' report from the University Affairs Committee.

#### **AUDIT, RISK MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE – CHAIR GHAZALE JOHNSTON**

The Audit, Risk Management and Finance Committee met on Thursday, September 5, 2024 and a quorum was present. The Committee reviewed and discussed its responsibilities as per the bylaws, this year's draft agenda, and the draft plan of work for the year. The four key areas of committee authority are audit; finance; risk management; and policy development for institutional trust funds, campus security and information technology and cybersecurity.

The committee approved minutes from the April 25, 2024 meeting.

The Committee also approved the Internal Audit Charter as presented by Cecile Hinson, Chief Audit Officer (CAO). The Charter was rewritten to more closely conform with the Institute of Internal Auditors new Global Internal Audit Standards released in 2024. Changes included more specificity around the

mandates governing the audit function, organizational positioning, circumstances that might result in changes to the Charter, and additional details relating to the CAO's responsibilities and scope of work.

Ms. Hinson also provided a final report on the Internal Audit Division's (IAD) fiscal 2024 activities, a summary of FY24 Audit Plan engagements, and an overview of the IAD's reorganization. Ms. Hinson then gave an update of current FY25 activities, reports issued since the last committee meeting, and a status of progress against the FY25 Audit Plan, which was approved in April. The Committee received a copy of that Plan in their materials.

Executive Vice Chancellor Charles Maimone provided a preview of the financial results for FY24, along with a comparison of FY24 actuals to the UNC System Office (UNCSCO) All-Funds Budget. He also reviewed the University Strategic Budget Initiative, NC State's five year budget planning process, which included a timeline for development and approval of the FY26 UNCSCO All-Funds Budget.

The Committee heard the annual report on the university's compliance and integrity program from Vice Chancellor and General Counsel Allison Newhart, University Compliance and Ethics Officer Anna Szamosi, and Deputy General Counsel Shawn Troxler. Vice Chancellor Newhart discussed the general purpose of the compliance and integrity program. Ms. Szamosi reviewed the highlights of the 23-24 annual report of the compliance and integrity program, including program accomplishments and performance. Vice Chancellor Newhart and Mr. Troxler also discussed planned focus areas for the program during the 24-25 fiscal year.

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

#### **FACULTY SENATE REPORT, HERLE MCGOWAN, CHAIR**

Chair McGowan thanked the Trustees for their work and shared that she is looking forward to working with several of them on the search committee for the next chancellor.

On April 1, 2024, the NC State Faculty and Staff Senates held the first-ever joint meeting of as part of ongoing efforts to strengthen communication and comradery between the various branches of shared governance at the University. At this meeting, the unique aspects of each senate were shared, and common questions about HR were addressed by Associate Vice Chancellor Tim Danielson along with Margaret Erickson and Ryan Bernarduci from UHR. Members of both senates reported that the meeting was informative and valuable, and Chair McGowan hopes this will become an annual tradition.

Chair McGowan reported that the final meeting of the academic year was held on April 16, 2024. It is traditionally dedicated to updates from athletics and important standing committees. Chair McGowan briefly highlighted some of the work undertaken during the Spring semester by the Faculty Senate standing committees, as this is an important part of the business of the senate.

- Academic Policy Committee: The committee reviewed a policy on conferring degrees posthumously, discussed refinements of the post-tenure review process, and worked jointly with the Personnel Policy Committee to discuss class evaluation data. The joint work of these committees led to the full-senate discussion held on March 19, 2024.
- Governance, Communications and Recruitment Committee: This committee focuses on the governance and procedural aspects of the Faculty Senate, such as reviewing and recommending updates to bylaws, ensuring the smooth operation of the Senate's governance processes, and recruiting new senators to ensure full representation of all colleges.
- Personnel Policy Committee: In addition to the evaluation of teaching, this committee discussed the issue of HR background checks for adjunct faculty, and reviewed language on numerous policy updates from the Provost's Office.
- Resources and Environment Committee: Prompted by an incident at Chapel Hill, the committee explored the university's response to active shooter situations, recommending broader dissemination of response protocols to faculty. They also discussed concerns that had been raised by faculty about the perceived decline in building maintenance, particularly for older



buildings amidst the construction of new ones, the adequacy of electric vehicle charging stations on campus, and insufficient seating at the Delta facility during exam times.

Chair McGowan stated that the Faculty Senate has hosted several discussions on current issues with many faculty members from across campus, including the ClassEval system and modernizing the questionnaire. Chair McGowan stated that our Faculty are hardworking, thoughtful and care deeply about the success of the university and it is a privilege to represent them.

Chair McGowan thanked the Trustees for the opportunity to present this report and stated she is looking forward to providing her next report, which will cover the beginning of the 2024-2025 academic year.

That concluded the report from the Faculty Senate.

**STAFF SENATE REPORT, CHARLES HALL, CHAIR**

Chair Charles Hall stated that he was proud to provide a report to the Trustees outlining current subjects of concern, interest, and opportunity affecting the over 7,000 represented staff at the university and the 101 Cooperative Extension locations across the state.

As the Staff Senate approaches its 30th year as the advisory body to the university's Chancellor, Chair Hall stated that the Staff Senate is moving closer in partnership with the other arms of its shared governance model. The activities of the Staff Senate take three main approaches—enriching the lives and community of staff across the university through professional development and a culture of service; advocating for positive change that affects staff members from all walks of life; and helping to be a voice communicating policy, opportunity, and collaboration across our campuses and counties.

Since the Staff Senate's last report to this board, topics of concern continue to be Poe Hall and the increase in parking permit charges for employees. Chair Hall shared the service activities of the varied committees of the Staff Senate throughout the Spring. He also stated that the close of FY24 saw the election of Dr. Jameco McKenzie as Chair-Elect of the Staff Senate, who will succeed in the role of Chair come July 2025.

Chair Hall shared plans for this coming year, which include updates to the governance and procedures of the Senate, ensuring broad participation and intentional authority, a culture of educated transparency in how the Senate tackle issues and opportunities, and an active expansion of active partnership with the leaders in both the Faculty Senate and Student Government.

Staff Senate is deeply grateful for the support of this board over the years, for the incredibly positive relationship they enjoy in active shared governance from our Chancellor, and for the eagerness of all in NC State's campus and state community to come together to make a difference.

That concluded the report from the Staff Senate.

**CLOSED SESSION**

With no further business in open session, Chair Weisiger called for a motion to go into closed session to: to prevent the premature disclosure of an honorary degree, scholarship, prize or similar award; to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment or conditions of initial employment of an employee or prospective employee; and to consult with an attorney to preserve the attorney-client privilege. Trustee Johnston made a motion to move into Closed Session, seconded by Trustee Powers. Chair Weisiger called on Assistant Secretary Maggie Thompson to record the vote. All members were in favor.

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| Arcuri  | AYE    | Johnston | AYE |
| Close   | ABSENT | Markert  | AYE |
| Dixon   | AYE    | Murphy   | AYE |
| Harrell | AYE    | Poole    | AYE |
| Herring | AYE    | Powers   | AYE |
| Holmes  | AYE    | Safran   | AYE |

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| Humphrey | AYE | Stack    | AYE |
|          |     | Weisiger | AYE |

The motion passed.

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

At 11:41 a.m. the Board came out of closed session.

With no further business in open session, Chair Weisiger adjourned the meeting at 11:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Maggie Thompson*

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Assistant Secretary

Signed by:

*Timothy L. Humphrey*

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Secretary

Approved:

Signed by:

*Edward Weisiger, Jr.*

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Chair