

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA
HELD AT
Macon State College
Macon, Georgia
September 9, 2009**

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met on Wednesday, September 9, 2009, at Macon State College. The Chair of the Board, Robert F. Hatcher, called the meeting to order at approximately 8:40 a.m. Present, in addition to Chair Hatcher, were Vice Chair Willis Potts and Regents Kenneth R. Bernard, Jr., James A. Bishop, Frederick E. Cooper, Larry R. Ellis, Felton Jenkins, W. Mansfield Jennings, Jr., James R. Jolly, William H. NeSmith, Jr., Doreen Stiles Poitevint, Kessel D. Stelling, Jr., Benjamin Tarbutton, III, Allan Vigil, and Larry Walker. Regents Donald M. Leebern, Jr., Wanda Yancey Rodwell and Richard L. Tucker were not present.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Regent James Jolly.

ATTENDANCE REPORT

The attendance report was given by the Secretary to the Board, J. Burns Newsome.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: REAL ESTATE AND FACILITIES

Under the leadership of Chair James Jolly, the Board's Real Estate and Facilities Committee met as a Committee of the Whole at approximately 8:55 a.m. on Wednesday, September 9, 2009.

With motion properly made, seconded, and unanimously adopted, the Committee approved and authorized the following:

1. **Authorization of Project List and Appointment of Program Management Firms, and Design Professional Firms, Georgia Higher Education Facilities Authority (GHEFA)**

The Board authorized the projects listed below with a total program budget of \$86,000,000 to be funded through a pooled bond issuance by the Georgia Higher Education Facilities Authority ("GHEFA").

College of Coastal Georgia – Campus Center & Student Housing
East Georgia College – Student Housing
Georgia College & State University – Wellness & Recreation Center
Savannah State University – Student Center & Stadium Renovation
University of West Georgia - Bookstore

The Board also appointed the first-named program management firm listed below for the referenced projects and authorized the execution of contracts with the identified firms. Should it not be possible to execute contracts with the top-ranked firms, staff will then attempt to execute contracts with the other listed firms in rank order.

Following public advertisement, qualifications-based selection processes were held in accordance with Board of Regents procedures. The following recommendations are made:

College of Coastal Georgia – Campus Center & Student Housing

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 16

Recommended firms in rank order:

- 1) Carter & Associates Commercial Services, LLC, Atlanta, GA
- 2) BDR Partners, LLC, Atlanta, GA
- 3) Collins Project Management, Inc., Norcross, GA

East Georgia College – Student Housing

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 13

Recommended firms in rank order:

- 1) Hal Gibson Companies, LLC, West Point, GA
- 2) Silverman Construction Program Management, Inc., Atlanta, GA
- 3) Cumming Construction Management, Inc., Atlanta, GA
- 4) URS Corporation, Atlanta, GA

Savannah State University – Student Center & Stadium Renovation

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 13

Recommended firms in rank order:

- 1) Woodline Solutions, LLC, East Point, GA
- 2) Hal Gibson Companies, LLC, West Point, GA
- 3) Gleeds USA, Inc., Atlanta, GA

The Board appointed the first-named design professional firm listed below for the referenced projects and authorized the execution of contracts with the identified firms. Should it not be possible to execute contracts with the top-ranked firms, staff will then attempt to execute contracts with the other listed firms in rank order.

Following public advertisement, qualifications-based selection processes were held in accordance with Board of Regents procedures. The following recommendations are made:

College of Coastal Georgia – Campus Center

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 35

Recommended firms in rank order:

- 1) Perkins Eastman Architects PC, New York, NY
- 2) Ellis Rickett & Associates, Architects PC, Valdosta, GA
- 3) Cooper Carry, Inc., Atlanta, GA
- 4) Thompson, Ventulett, Stainback & Associates, Inc., Atlanta, GA

Georgia College & State University – Wellness & Recreation Center

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 48

Recommended firms in rank order:

- 1) Menefee & Winer, PC, Atlanta, GA
- 2) Richard + Wittschiebe, Inc., Atlanta, GA
- 3) CDH Partners, Inc., Marietta, GA

Savannah State University – Student Center & Stadium Renovation

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 32

Recommended firms in rank order:

- 1) Lott + Barber, Inc., Savannah, GA
- 2) Vincent Pope + Associates, Inc., Tucker, GA
- 3) CDH Partners, Inc., Marietta, GA
- 4) Thompson, Ventulett, Stainback & Associates, Inc., Atlanta, GA

University of West Georgia - Bookstore

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 34

Recommended firms in rank order:

- 1) LP3 Architecture, LLC, Atlanta, GA
- 2) CNNA Architects, Inc., Atlanta, GA
- 3) Wakefield Beasley & Associates Architects, Inc., Norcross, GA

Understandings: List of GHEFA projects.

Campus Project Name	Description	Estimated Cost
College of Coastal Georgia Campus Center & Student Housing	Project – 250-350 student housing beds in suite, semi-suite and apartment style units. Also includes limited food service and student study areas. An approximately 50,000-square-foot (“sf”) campus center includes expanded food service and student life amenities such as health services, fitness center, recreational space, study areas, student government and student affairs offices, meeting rooms, tiered seat theatre space, lounge spaces, bookstore and other retail. Funding – Student housing rent collections, mandatory student fee, revenues.	\$25,000,000
East Georgia College Student Housing	Project – 200 student housing beds in apartment style units. Funding - Student housing rent collections.	\$9,000,000

Campus Project Name	Description	Estimated Cost
Savannah State University Student Center & Stadium Renovation	Project – 45,000 sf student center includes indoor and outdoor lounge space, dance studio, food court, convenience store, meeting space, multi-purpose/ballroom with stage, cyber cafe, Student Government and staff offices, and support spaces. The stadium renovation will replace the existing bleachers, pressbox, and locker rooms and provide 8,000 - 10,000 seats. Funding - Mandatory student fee, revenues.	\$17,000,000
Georgia College & State University Wellness & Recreation Center	Project - 100,000 sf wellness and recreation center includes a four court multipurpose gymnasium, cardio fitness area, natatorium, walking track with assessment area, and student health services. LEED Silver certification will be sought for this facility. Funding - Mandatory student fee	\$29,600,000
University of West Georgia Bookstore	Project – 23,000 sf bookstore will include a sales area for textbooks, trade books, magazines, and clothing. Additionally, offices, customer service, and warehouse space. Funding – Bookstore revenues	\$5,400,000

It is anticipated that the Board will be requested to take future action concerning these projects, including the appointment of construction management firms.

2. Authorization of Project and Appointment of Program Management Firm, Student Center and Student Housing, Albany State University

The Board authorized Project No. BR-60-1001, Student Center & Student Housing, Albany State University, (“ASU”) with a total project budget of \$24,000,000, to be funded by private financing.

The Board appointed the first-named program management firm listed below for the identified project and authorized the execution of a contract with the identified firm. Should it not be possible to execute a contract with the top-ranked firm, staff will then attempt to execute a contract with the other listed firms in rank order.

This project is consistent with ASU’s master plan and will provide an approximately 600 student housing bed facility and an approximately 45,000-square-foot student center.

Following public advertisement, a qualifications-based selection process was held in accordance with Board of Regents procedures. The following recommendation is made:

Total Project Cost:	\$36,000,000
Construction Cost (Stated Cost Limitation):	\$28,100,000

Number of firms that applied for this commission: 14

Recommended firms in rank order:

- 1) Jones Lang LaSalle Americas, Inc., Atlanta
- 2) Carter & Associates Commercial Services, LLC, Atlanta
- 3) BDR Partners, LLC, Atlanta
- 4) Gleeds USA, Inc., Atlanta

3. Naming of Henry F. McCamish Jr., Basketball Complex, Georgia Institute of Technology

The Board approved the naming of the site which currently houses the Alexander Memorial Coliseum, the Zelnak Center, and the Luck Building at the Georgia Institute of Technology (“GIT”) the “Henry F. McCamish Jr. Basketball Complex” in recognition of Henry F. McCamish, Jr.

President G.P. “Bud” Peterson confirms that this naming conforms to the GIT naming guidelines and with the Board of Regents naming policy.

The site encompasses the block surrounded by I-75/85 to the east, Tenth Street to the north, Fowler Street to the west, and Eighth Street to the south.

Mr. Henry F. McCamish, Jr. and his family have made the lead commitment of a multi-year \$10 million gift to establish the McCamish Basketball Facility Fund, held within the Alexander-Tharpe Fund. Of this amount, \$1.2 million has been received, with the remainder due on or before December 31st, 2013.

Mr. McCamish is founder and former Chairman of the McCamish Group and McCamish Systems. Under his direction, the McCamish Group issued over \$1.8 billion of annual premium corporate life insurance totaling more than \$44 billion of face amount in less than five years. Mr. McCamish has been involved at GIT since he was a student, and has given generously to the institution for many years. While receiving his undergraduate degree, Mr. McCamish participated in numerous activities including the Rambling Wreck Club, the Industrial Management Society, The White & Gold Club, as well as the Technique.

Mr. McCamish remained active upon receiving his degree. He served as a member of the 45th reunion committee, the estate gifts advisory committee, and was on the Board of Trustees with the Georgia Tech Alumni Association from 1974-1977, as well as the Board of Directors for the Georgia Tech Charitable Life, Inc. in 1987.

4. Delegation of Naming of Thematic Gardens within the Waddell Barnes Botanical Gardens, Macon State College

The Board approved the delegation of naming thirty-three (33) thematic gardens within the existing Waddell Barnes Botanical Gardens (the “Gardens”) at Macon State College (“MSC”) in recognition of particular donors and participants to the President of MSC.

The President confirms that these namings will conform to the MSC naming guidelines and Board of Regents naming policy.

MSC and the Macon State College Foundation (the “Foundation”) have launched a fundraising campaign to re-forest the campus and rebuild the Gardens that were destroyed by the May 11, 2008 tornado. A new Gardens master plan has been developed for 167 acres on the MSC campus. The individual monetary gifts are consistent with the interests of MSC and the University System of Georgia, and the naming opportunities for each thematic garden will consist of three donor levels (\$25,000, \$50,000 and \$100,000) that will total over \$1,125,000 for all the thematic gardens. The donor agreements will be for periods of 5 years and will be renewable.

Naming consideration takes into account donor contribution and participation based on prescribed fundraising criteria that may include, but is not limited to the following:

- Relationship, if any, of the person to be honored with the State of Georgia, University System or MSC.
- Meritorious service, if any, of the person to be honored with the State of Georgia, University System or MSC.
- Financial contribution of the person to be honored to the facility proposed to be named.
- Financial contribution, if any, of others on behalf of the naming of the facility proposed to be named for the person to be honored.

5. Demolition of the Flippen D. Burge Apartments Building, Georgia Institute of Technology

The Board declared the Flippen D. Burge Apartment Building at 210 North Avenue located on the campus of the Georgia Institute of Technology (“GIT”), Atlanta, Georgia, to be no longer advantageously useful to GIT or other units of the University System of Georgia and authorize demolition and removal of this building. The Board authorized a request to the Governor to issue

an Executive Order authorizing the demolition and removal of this building from the campus of GIT.

The 65,000 square-foot Flippen D. Burge Apartment Building, constructed in 1947, is an eight-story, International Style building of steel and concrete construction originally built for residential use by GIT faculty and married students. The building has been vacant since June 2007 following the completion and occupancy of GIT’s new Family Housing complex. The building was designed by and named for GIT alumnus and Atlanta architect, Flippen D. Burge, principal in the Atlanta architectural firm of Burge & Stephens.

The removal of the Burge Apartment Building is in accordance with the GIT Master Plan and calls for the site to be used for green space, surface parking, and a future new campus facility.

GIT is adhering to the requirements of the Georgia Environmental Policy Act (“GEPA”) and the appropriate State Stewardship review for historic properties to appropriately mitigate any adverse impact of demolition.

6. Bond Sale Resolution, Resolution 2009E and 2009F General Obligation Bond Issue

The Board adopted the Resolution prepared by the Revenue Division of the Department of Law covering the issuance of 2009E and 2009F General Obligation Bonds (“G. O. Bonds”) by the State of Georgia through the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission for use in funding projects for the University System of Georgia.

The Revenue Division of the Office of the Attorney General has prepared on behalf of the Board of Regents a Resolution (Appendix I) to cover the sale of 2009E G. O. Bonds for the following projects:

J-133	“Engineering Technology Center” Southern Polytechnic State University	\$3,690,000
J-169	“Science Equipment and Other Technology” University System of Georgia	\$3,000,000
J-170	“Major Repair and Rehabilitation” University System of Georgia	\$30,000,000
GRA	“Equipment for R & D Infrastructure” Georgia Research Alliance	<u>\$6,000,000</u>
	Sub-Total	\$42,690,000

The Revenue Division of the Office of the Attorney General has prepared on behalf of the Board of Regents a Resolution (Appendix I) to cover the sale of 2009F G. O. Bonds for the following projects:

I-093	“Special Collections Library” University of Georgia	\$26,600,000
J-045	“Science Building” Georgia State University	\$8,000,000
J-050	“Undergraduate Learning Commons” Georgia Institute of Technology	\$43,000,000
J-132	“School of Dentistry” Medical College of Georgia	\$27,000,000
J-143	“Health Sciences Building” College of Coastal Georgia	\$13,300,000
J-144	“Statesboro Academic Facility” East Georgia College	\$4,900,000
J-145	“Academic Facility” Gainesville College	\$31,200,000
J-147	“Teacher Education Building” Macon State College	\$20,100,000
J-152	“Medical Education Commons” Medical College of Georgia	\$2,000,000
J-154	“Central Utility Plant, NW Precinct” University of Georgia	\$5,975,000
J-155	“Historic Renovations” Fort Valley State University	\$800,000
J-156	“Infrastructure and Utility Improvements” Georgia Gwinnett College	\$2,000,000
J-157	“Laboratory Addition – Science Building” Kennesaw State University	\$1,200,000
J-158	“Renovation of Georgia Hall” Middle Georgia College	\$500,000

J-159	“Historic Renovations and Additions” North Georgia College & State University	\$1,120,000
J-160	“Infrastructure and Renovations” University of Georgia	\$800,000
J-161	“Addition to Lane Library” Armstrong Atlantic State University	\$1,100,000
J-162	“Science Building” Clayton State University	\$1,600,000
J-163	“Academic Building – Dunwoody Campus” Georgia Perimeter College	\$1,700,000
J-164	“Biology Building” Georgia Southern University	\$2,200,000
J-165	“Nursing Building” University of West Georgia	\$1,400,000
J-166	“Student Outdoor Recreation Center” Georgia State University	\$9,600,000
J-167	“Academic Sciences Building” Atlanta Metropolitan College	\$1,100,000
J-168	“Health and Human Sciences Building” Georgia Southwestern State University	\$1,100,000
GPLS	“Oakland Library” Leesburg, Lee County	\$2,000,000
GPLS	“Greene County Public Library” Greensboro, Greene County	\$500,000
GPLS	“Dade County Public Library” Cherokee Regional Library System	\$675,000
GPLS	“Union County Public Library” Mountain Regional System	\$1,665,000
GPLS	“Walnut Grove Library” Uncle Remus Regional Library System	\$500,000
GPLS	“Rockmart Library” Rockmart, Polk County	\$500,000

GPLS	“DeKalb County Central Library & Processing Center” DeKalb County	\$500,000
GPLS	“Athens-Clarke County Library” Athens, Clarke County	\$2,000,000
GPLS	“Morgan County Library” Madison, Morgan County	\$500,000
GPLS	“Jeff Davis Public Library” Hazelehurst, Jeff Davis County	<u>\$1,145,000</u>
	Sub-Total	\$218,280,000
	Total Bond Sale	\$260,970,000

The committee meeting adjourned at approximately 9:15 a.m.

CAMPUS VISIT REPORTS

At approximately 9:17 am, Regents James R. Jolly, Benjamin J. Tarbutton, III, Kenneth R. Bernard, Jr., and W. Mansfield Jennings, Jr., who served as Chairs of their respective Campus Visit Teams, reported on their visits to Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, Atlanta Metropolitan College, East Georgia College, Gordon College, and Middle Georgia College, respectively. The remaining Regents joined the Chairs to share their experiences and impressions about the campuses.

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Vice Chair Willis J. Potts, Jr. convened the Strategic Planning Committee as a Committee of the Whole on Wednesday, September 9, 2009, at approximately 10:13 a.m. Vice Chair Potts and Ms. Shelley Nickel, Associate Vice Chancellor, presented an update on the status of the Six Goals from the Strategic Plan. This item was presented as information only and no vote was taken.

Associate Vice Chancellor Shelley Nickel and Interim Vice Chancellor Susan Lounsbury Campbell discussed a new tool available to the campuses called “Dashboard”. Dashboard will allow individuals to electronically review the successes of University System Institutions, including graduation rates and SAT/ACT scores.

Following such discussion Vice Chair Willis Potts presented to the Committee the current status of the University System institutions’ graduation rates. In addition to the graduation rates, he showed the rankings of the institutions in relation to their peer institutions. It was determined that Vice Chair Potts will chair a Task Force on Graduation Rates. The Task Force will examine how/whether demographic characteristics, academic preparation, family finances, and institutional experiences affect the graduation rates on each campus. The Task Force’s report is due June 2011. The Committee adjourned at approximately 1:45 p.m.

OTHER STRATEGIC ISSUES

Chief Operation Officer Rob Watts informed the Board that the University System was entering into Articulation Agreements with the institutions of the Technical College System of Georgia. Mr. Watts explained that these agreements would allow for students to transfer more easily between the Systems.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Secretary to the Board announced that the next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for October 13-14, 2009, at North Georgia College & State University in Dahlonega.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:15 p.m. on Wednesday, September 9, 2009.

J. Burns Newsome
Secretary, Board of Regents
University System of Georgia

Robert F. Hatcher
Chair, Board of Regents
University System of Georgia