

BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

The University of North Carolina

March 26, 2007

The Board of Governors met in special session on March 26, 2007, by teleconference originating from the Board Room of the General Administration Building, Chapel Hill. Mr. Phillips, the chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Perry called the roll and the following members were present:

Peaches Gunter Blank	Charles H. Mercer, Jr.
F. Edward Broadwell, Jr.	Fred G. Mills
John W. Davis III	Charles S. Norwood
Phillip R. Dixon	Cary C. Owen
Dudley E. Flood	Patsy B. Perry
Hannah D. Gage	Jim W. Phillips, Jr.
H. Frank Grainger	William G. Smith
Peter D. Hans	J. Craig Souza
James E. Holshouser, Jr.	Priscilla P. Taylor
Adelaide D. Key	J. Bradley Wilson
G. Leroy Lail	David W. Young

The following members were absent:

Bradley T. Adcock	Charles A. Hayes
Brent D. Barringer	Peter Keber
R. Steve Bowden	Derek T. Pantiel
Laura W. Buffaloe	Gladys Ashe Robinson
William L. Burns, Jr.	Irvin A. Roseman
Ray S. Farris	Estelle W. Sanders

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Chairman Phillips stated that this is an informational meeting of the Board of Governors to hear a report from the review committee on the Feasibility Study: North Carolina Wesleyan College Becoming a UNC Constituent Institution. The Chair called upon President Bowles.

President Bowles gave a brief summary before introducing Dr. Leutze, Chair of the Review Committee. President Bowles stated that the full report will be mailed to board members the next day. He stated that the recommendation of the committee was to not go forward with the acquisition of North Carolina Wesleyan College as part of the University. The reasons for this decision are economics, the difficulty to attract 2500 students to a new UNC campus in that area, the difficulty to attract the faculty needed, and the demographics of the state.

Dr. Leutze recognized the other members of the committee and stated that the committee tried very hard to accommodate the needs of the Rocky Mount region while also considering the needs of the state. He reported that the committee regretfully came to the conclusion that it would be very expensive and extremely difficult to bring in those students from that region and to hire the faculty needed.

Dr. Leutze stated that the committee feels that there are things that could and should be done for this region and that there will be a special meeting of the University of North Carolina Tomorrow Commission with the business and political leaders in the Rocky Mount region. This meeting will be to discuss how the University might better serve the needs of that region by expanding distance learning and other campus programs.

President Bowles stated that he has reviewed the report of the committee and feels the conclusion is based on solid logic. He stated that he and his staff will continue to review the report and bring a recommendation to the Board of Governors at the May meeting.

Chairman Phillips thanked Chancellor Leutze and his committee for their hard work on this study and for his continued service to the University. The chair urged members to read the report carefully once it is received and to contact President Bowles if they have further questions.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Secretary