

Board of Governors Meeting

May 22, 2009

Greensboro, North Carolina

The Board of Governors met in special session on May 22, 2009, at the Alumni-Foundation Event Center at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University in Greensboro. Chairman Gage called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. She thanked the staff of North Carolina A&T for facilitating the meeting. She said the Board was thrilled to be on campus for this special meeting.

INVOCATION

Chairman Gage called on Dr. Robinson to give the invocation.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary of the University, Mr. Corgnati, called the roll. The following members were present.

Bradley T. Adcock
Peaches Gunter Blank
R. Steve Bowden
Laura W. Buffaloe
Frank Daniels, Jr.
John W. Davis III
Phillip R. Dixon
T. Greg Doucette
Ray S. Farris
Dudley E. Flood
Hannah D. Gage
Ann B. Goodnight
H. Frank Grainger
Peter D. Hans

Charles A. Hayes
James E. Holshouser, Jr.
Adelaide Daniels Key
G. Leroy Lail
Cheryl Ransom Locklear
Charles H. Mercer, Jr.
Fred G. Mills
Jim W. Phillips, Jr.
Marshall B. Pitts, Jr.
Gladys Ashe Robinson
Estelle 'Bunny' Sanders
William G. Smith
J. Craig Souza
J. Bradley Wilson

The following members were absent:

Brent D. Barringer
Clarice Cato Goodyear
Ronald C. Leatherwood

Irvin (Al) Roseman
Priscilla P. Taylor
David W. Young

STATE ETHICS ACT

Chairman Gage stated that under the State Ethics Act, members have a duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearance of conflicts. Looking at the agenda for the meeting, Chairman Gage asked if any members were aware of any conflict of interest or an interest that would give rise to the appearance of a conflict of interest. There were none.

On motion by Mr. Smith and duly seconded, the board voted to convene in closed session to establish or instruct the staff or agent considering the negotiations of the amount of compensation or other terms of employment contract; and to consider the qualifications, competence, performance, condition of appointment of a public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee, pursuant to North Carolina G.S. Sections 143-318.11(a)(5) and 143-318.11(a)(6). The motion carried.

The Board of Governors went into closed session at 11:10 a.m. and returned to open session at 11:20 a.m.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL AND TENURE

Dr. Flood, Chair of the Committee on Personnel and Tenure, announced that the committee met on May 21, 2009, at the Spangler Center to hear a report and recommendation from President Bowles regarding the nomination of a chancellor for North Carolina A&T State University. Dr. Flood called on President Bowles for his report.

President Bowles recognized three UNC Chancellors who were present at the special meeting – Chancellor Charlie Nelms from North Carolina Central University, Chancellor Linda Brady from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, and Chancellor Gerald Boarman from

the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics. He also recognized Provost Perrin from UNC Greensboro who was present. President Bowles said that he was excited to recommend to the Board of Governors a strong, effective, new leader for North Carolina A&T State University. He then asked the Chair of the Board of Trustees and Chair of the Search Committee, Dr. Franklin McCain, to give a brief summary of the search process.

Dr. McCain welcomed the members of the Board of Governors, the visiting Chancellors of the constituent institutions, the members of the Board of Trustees, the faculty and staff of North Carolina A&T, and others. Dr. McCain reported that the Search Committee was comprised of students, faculty, staff, alumni, trustees, and community representatives. He recognized the members of the Search Committee, Associate Vice President Lemmon of UNC General Administration and Sandra Jones, assistant of the NCA&T Search Committee. The committee convened on March 13, 2009, with the charge from President Bowles to find a candidate who understood the strengths and weaknesses of North Carolina A&T State University, who could articulate a vision for the campus, who would demand high standards for students, faculty, and staff, and someone who can partner with the community. The Search Committee hosted several public forums where they met with various constituencies of the University. The forums yielded great input and participation. The position was posted in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* and *Diverse*. Three candidates were invited to the campus. The Search Committee recommended two candidates to the Board of Trustees who then made their recommendations to the President.

ELECTION OF A CHANCELLOR

President Bowles said it was his high honor and personal privilege to recommend the election of Dr. Harold L. Martin, Sr., Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs at the University of North Carolina, as the next chancellor of North Carolina A&T State University. President Bowles said that Dr. Martin was absolutely the right person to lead the campus. Dr. Martin received his undergraduate and graduate degrees in electrical engineering from North Carolina A&T State University. He received his doctoral degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Dr. Martin held several teaching and administrative positions at North Carolina A&T State University. He was a faculty member; he was Chair of the

Department of Engineering; he was Dean of the Engineering School from 1985-1987, and he served as the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs from 1994-1999. Additionally, he served as an adjunct faculty member of the North Carolina State University Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. In 2000, he was named the Chancellor at Winston-Salem State University. During his tenure at Winston-Salem State University, enrollment doubled, freshmen SAT scores climbed by nearly 70 points, stronger relationships were forged throughout the community, student retention rates were improved, and administrative efficiencies were accomplished. In 2006, President Bowles appointed Dr. Martin as the chief academic officer at UNC General Administration. President Bowles said that Dr. Martin was a great mentor and teacher. He has earned the respect and trust of the Board, the students, faculty, administrators, and state leaders throughout North Carolina.

On behalf of the Committee and a recommendation from the President, Chairman Gage moved the approval of Dr. Harold L. Martin, Sr. to become the next Chancellor of North Carolina A&T State University. The motion passed.

President Bowles introduced Dr. Martin as the next Chancellor of North Carolina A&T State University. For Dr. Martin's remarks, please see Appendix A.

Chairman Gage said that the Board of Governors was thrilled to have elected Dr. Martin as the new Chancellor. Mr. Bowden commented that the excitement at North Carolina A&T State University is at an all time high with this announcement and offered Dr. Martin the full support of the Board. Mr. Phillips recognized Don Cameron, the President of Guildford Technical Community College, who is a very important partner in the Greensboro community. Dr. Robinson welcomed Dr. Martin home. Mr. Doucette said that he and North Carolina A&T State University's Student Body President, Syene Jasmin, were excited about working with Dr. Martin. Mr. Mercer said that Dr. Martin and his wife, Davida, were a great addition to North Carolina A&T State University.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.