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**Minutes of the Committee on Public Affairs
UNC Board of Governors
November 13, 2008**

The following Board of Governors members were present:

Priscilla Taylor, Chair	Hannah Gage
Fred Mills, Vice Chair	Governor Holshouser
Cheryl Locklear, Secretary	Marshall Pitts
Ray Farris	Al Roseman

The following staff and others were present:

Andy Willis	Rosemary DePaolo
Kimrey Rhinehardt	Ginger Burks
Erin Schuettpelez	Caroline Krisel
Kathryn Bender	

Chair Taylor called the meeting to order.

1. The minutes were approved on a motion from Mr. Roseman, and seconded by Mr. Pitts.
2. Mr. Andy Willis provided the committee with a state election update. He reported there were not many changes in either chamber. Many of the new legislators and the new governor are UNC supporters. President Bowles and Mr. Willis encourage Board members to reach out to the new legislators.
3. Mrs. Kimrey Rhinehardt gave the committee an update on the federal elections. The upcoming committee assignments will have an effect on UNC. Newly elected Representative Kissell could serve on the education committee. Currently, the University is waiting to see who President-elect Obama appoints to cabinet positions and how those appointments will affect research funding and HEA implementation.
4. Mrs. Rhinehardt gave an update on the federal agenda process. The campuses are currently completing an internal evaluation. The Board will approve the policy agenda at the January Board meeting. The federal agenda is not prioritized because of the different funding sources.
5. Mr. Willis gave an update on the state policy agenda. The campuses were asked to submit changes and priorities and the agenda will be finalized over the next two months. The policy agenda will probably include 110-15 items that are attainable during the session. The agenda will be given to the Board for consideration at the January meeting.

There being no further business, the committee adjourned.