MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools

March 21, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.
Via Videoconference and PBS North Carolina Livestream

AGENDA

A-1. Approval of the Minutes of the February 14, 2022 Meeting .......................................................... C. Philip Byers

A-2. Request to Establish a Laboratory School:
   University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill .................................................................................. Laura Bilbro-Berry

A-3. Adjourn
DRAFT MINUTES

February 14, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.
Via Videoconference and PBS North Carolina Livestream
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

This meeting of the Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools was presided over by Chair C. Philip Byers. The following subcommittee members were also present by phone, constituting a quorum: Jimmy Clark and Reginald Holley.

Staff members present included Dr. Andrew Kelly, Dr. Laura Bilbro-Berry, and others from the UNC System Office.

1. Approval of the Minutes of January 18, 2022 (Item A-1)

MOTION: Resolved, that the Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools approved the open session minutes of January 18, 2022, as distributed.

Motion: Jimmy Clark
Motion carried

2. Request to Establish a Laboratory School: North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University (Item A-2)

Chair Byers called on Dr. Laura Bilbro-Berry to share North Carolina A&T’s request to establish its new lab school.

Chair Byers called for a motion to approve the resolution provided in the Board materials.

MOTION: Resolved, that the Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools approve the resolution to establish a new laboratory school at North Carolina A&T State University.

Motion: Reggie Holley
Motion Carried

Before adjourning, the chair called upon Dr. Bilbro-Berry to provide a brief update on the status of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s progress toward opening a new lab school.

A-3. Adjourn

There being no further business and without objection, the meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m.
AGENDA ITEM

A-2. Request to Establish a Laboratory School:
   University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.................................................................Laura Bilbro-Berry

Situation: Pursuant to G.S. 116-239.5, the Board of Governors, upon recommendation by the
president, shall designate constituent institutions to submit proposals to establish at
least nine laboratory schools in total to serve public school students in accordance with
the provisions of this Article. The Board of Governors shall select constituent institutions
with high-quality educator preparation programs as demonstrated by the annual
performance measures reported by the constituent institutions in accordance with G.S.
115C-296.35. The Board of Governors Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools established
under G.S. 116-239.7 shall review the proposals and approve at least nine of the
proposals to establish laboratory schools.

Background: UNC-Chapel Hill seeks to open a laboratory school serving grades kindergarten through
three in partnership with Person County Schools in fall 2022.

Assessment: A proposal for the new school was presented for subcommittee review in January. The
institution seeks approval to establish the new school by resolution.

Action: This item requires a vote by the committee.
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM
SUBCOMMITTEE ON LABORATORY SCHOOLS
APPROVING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL TO ESTABLISH A LABORATORY SCHOOL

WHEREAS, Chapter 116, Article 29A of the General Statutes of North Carolina requires the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina System to designate nine constituent institutions to establish and operate laboratory schools to serve public school students in grades kindergarten through eight in accordance with the provisions of the Article; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Governors has designated the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill as one of the nine constituent institutions to establish and operate a laboratory school; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the requirements of Chapter 116, Article 29A of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill submitted to the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools a proposal to operate a laboratory school; and

WHEREAS, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill proposes to operate a laboratory school by the name of Carolina Community Academy to be located in the Person County School district with a term of operation of five years beginning in August 2022; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 116, Article 29A requires the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools to approve or disapprove proposals from constituent institutions to establish and operate laboratory schools; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 116, Article 29A of the General Statutes of North Carolina also requires the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools to adopt a resolution upon the approval of each laboratory school which includes the name of the laboratory school, the local school administrative unit in which the laboratory school shall be located, and a term of operation for the laboratory school of five years from the date of initial operation, to be filed with the Department of Public Instruction for subsequent approval by the State Board of Education;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools approves the establishment of Carolina Community Academy by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill for a term of operation of five years beginning in August 2022 to be located in the Person County School district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools would like to acknowledge and thank the Person County School Board of Education and its superintendent, the local school administrative unit in which the laboratory school will be located, for its cooperation with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in the development of the Carolina Community Academy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, consistent with applicable statutes and based on the information included in the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s proposal, the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools waives the threshold requirement for the number of low-performing schools that must be present in a local school administrative unit in which a laboratory school is located for University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s laboratory school described above.
The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Governors Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools at a meeting of the subcommittee on the 21st day of March 2022.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS SUBCOMMITTEE ON LABORATORY SCHOOLS
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM

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