

MINUTES

October 17, 2024
Via Videoconference and PBS North Carolina Livestream
The UNC System Office
223 S. West Street, Board Room (17th Floor)
Raleigh, North Carolina

Call to Order

The University of North Carolina Board of Governors met on October 17, 2024, at the UNC System Office in Raleigh, North Carolina. Chair Wendy Murphy called the meeting to order at 11 a.m. She welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for a moment of silence to remember those who were impacted by Hurricane Helene, and to remember those who lost their lives due to the storm. She said that we send our support, thoughts, and prayers to the families and towns that face the long road to recovery. The worst has brought out the best in people across the state. She is heartened to see that the “spirit of public service” is being lived out by students, faculty, staff, and administrators alike. She thanked everyone who has contributed to the recovery efforts. She then called on President Peter Hans for his remarks.

President Hans reported he had just returned from a visit to the mountains and thanked our colleagues for their storm response. He thanked the chancellors for their steady resolve during this time of upheaval. He stated that everyone from the landscaping teams, food services, and facilities at the western universities all provided resources and help to the wider communities. He thanked UNC Healthcare for their days of nonstop work and help. He said it was heartwarming to see how our students care for one another and for their communities. He also thanked the law enforcement officers for their work and thanked the “tough and inspiring public servants who are the heart of this university.” (APPENDIX A)

Invocation

Chair Murphy called on Mrs. Coward to give the invocation.

Roll Call

Secretary Meredith McCullen called the roll. The following members were present:

Lee Barnes	John Fraley
Kellie Hunt Blue	Kathryn Greeley
Kirk Bradley	Reginald Holley
Cameron Brown	Terry Hutchens
Harry Brown	Wendy Murphy
C. Philip Byers	Sonja Nichols
Pearl Burris-Floyd	Art Pope
Swadesh Chatterjee	Randy Ramsey
Jimmy D. Clark	O. Temple Sloan
Carolyn Coward	Woody White
Gene Davis	Michael Williford
Joel Ford	

The following members were absent:

Mark Holton and Alex Mitchell

State Ethics Act

Chair Murphy stated that under the State Ethics Act, members have a duty to avoid conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts and asked if anyone had a potential conflict. There were none.

Consent Agenda Items

Chair Murphy referred to the consent agenda items listed as Item 3 on the day's agenda. Chair Murphy entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda items. The motion was properly seconded, and the motion passed.

Minutes

- a. Minutes (Open) of September 12, 2024

Committee on Budget and Finance

- b. Authorization of Associated Entity Project — East Carolina University APPENDIX B
- c. Authorized Use of Special Obligation Bonds "Commercial Paper" — University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill APPENDIX C
- d. Capital Improvement Projects APPENDIX D
- e. Revision to 2021-23 Engineering NC's Future Capital Projects — North Carolina State University APPENDIX E
- f. Acquisition of Property by Lease — NC State University APPENDIX F
- g. Disposition of Property by Ground Lease — NC State University APPENDIX G

Report of the Committee on Budget and Finance

Mr. Bradley, chair of the committee, stated the committee received reports on the 2024-25 NC Promise Tuition Program, Five-Year Actual General Fund Expenditures and Revenues, and the Quarterly Capital Project Report for October 1, 2024. These items were available on BoardEffect. The committee also reviewed and approved several transactional items and recommended them for a vote by the full Board of Governors through the consent agenda:

- Authorization for the East Carolina University Educational Foundation, Inc., to construct a multipurpose indoor practice facility on state property;
- Authorization for UNC-Chapel Hill to finance, under its existing commercial paper program, all or a portion of the costs of the capital improvement projects previously approved by the Board and authorized by the North Carolina General Assembly under S.L. 2024-24 (HB 912);
- Authorization of three new capital projects at two institutions and three increased authorizations at three institutions;
- Authorization to revise a previously approved 2021-23 Engineering NC's Future capital project for NC State University;
- Authorization for NC State University to acquire property by lease of approximately 20,037 square feet in the Venture III building, on the Centennial Campus in Raleigh, North Carolina; and
- Authorization for NC State University to dispose of property by ground lease at the Central Crops Research Station, Clayton, North Carolina.

Chief Financial Officer Jennifer Haygood reported on three categories of impact from Hurricane Helene on the System. They included \$18 million in capital impacts and \$14 million in debris cleanup and mutual aid, as well as \$19 million in revenue losses from canceled events. Ms. Haygood noted it is an evolving situation, and the amount of cooperation is commendable. The System is exploring emergency student aid, and \$7 million will be put toward the next round of Next NC Scholarships. President Hans stated he appreciated and commends those

who have stepped up, and the cooperation shows the value of the University System. Chair Murphy thanked the campuses that have reached out to offer their help and noted that we will all continue to work together.

Chair Murphy called on Mrs. Coward to deliver the report on behalf of the Committee on University Personnel.

Report of the Committee on University Personnel

Mrs. Coward stated the committee received a presentation on recent improvements in the administration of human resources throughout the University of North Carolina System, including the simplification of employee classification, the streamlining of salary ranges, the elimination of longtime vacant positions, and updated delegated approval authority for human resources actions. These administrative improvements are creating improved efficiency and consistency in the administration of positions, salaries, and employee classifications across our constituent institutions. Chair Murphy thanked her and asked if there were any questions.

Chair Murphy called on Vice Chair Blue for a motion to go into closed session.

Vice Chair Blue offered the following motion:

Motion: Resolved, that the Board go into closed session pursuant to N.C. General Statutes Chapter 143 for the purposes stated in the written motion that was included in the meeting materials, which have been publicly noticed. The motion was properly seconded. (APPENDIX H)

Motion: Vice Chair Blue

Motion carried

The Board went into closed session at 11:27 a.m. and returned to open session at 11:38 a.m.

Chair Murphy asked if there were any additional items for discussion.

There being no further business and without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 11:39 a.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Governors is November 14, 2024, at the University of North Carolina System Office in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Pearl Burris-Floyd, *Secretary*

APPENDICES

The Appendices are part of the official record of the meeting and are posted on the UNC System website at:
<http://www.northcarolina.edu/apps/bog/index.php>

Appendix A	President Hans' Report
Appendix B	Authorization of Associated Entity Project-East Carolina University
Appendix C	Authorized Use of Special Obligation Bonds "Commercial Paper"-University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Appendix D	Capital Improvement Projects
Appendix E	Revision to 2021-23 Engineering NC's Future Capital Projects-NC State University
Appendix F	Acquisition of Property by Lease-NC State University
Appendix G	Disposition of Property by Ground Lease-NC State University
Appendix H	Closed Motion Full Board