## **COMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC PLANNING**

Minutes: October 29, 2015

The following members were present: Chair Mitchell, Mr. Knott, Mr. King, Mrs. Gage, and Mr. Souza. Staff: Mr. FitzGerald, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Boney.

- 1. Vice President Brown introduced and presented a video on the Pharmaco Engineering project that has been funded through the UNC Research Opportunities Initiative. The research team is fighting brain cancer by attempting to transform skin cells into brain cells.
- 2. The Committee approved an expansion of the SBTDC internship program. Vice President Boney updated the Committee on the current status of the SBTDC Internship Program, and requested that the program be expanded to all 16 campuses. Currently, the six campuses participate in the program. The partnership would create new paid internship programs with small and midsized business for 220 students over four years.

Respectfully submitted Chair Mitchell