

DRAFT MINUTES

March 3, 2016

Fayetteville State University
Rudolph Jones Student Center
Fayetteville, North Carolina

This regular meeting of the Special Committee on Military Affairs was presided over by Chairman Steve Long and Vice Chair Thom Goolsby.

The following committee members, constituting a quorum, were present: Thom Goolsby, Steve Long, Anna Maxwell, W. Champion Mitchell, and Chancellor Frank Gilliam.

The following other Board Members were present: Mr. G.A. Swassysink.

Others present included: UNC President Margaret Spellings, Vice President Karrie Dixon, Vice President Kimrey Rhinehardt, and Dr. Joe Wescott, Executive Director of the North Carolina State Approving Agency.

1. Call to Order and Approval of OPEN Session Minutes

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12 noon on Thursday, March 3, 2016 and called for a motion to approve the open session minutes of December 10, 2016.

MOTION: Resolved, that the Special Committee on Military Affairs approve the open session minutes of December 10, 2016 as distributed.

Motion: Thom Goolsby

Motion carried unanimously

2. Special Announcement: UNC CORE and Camp Lejeune

Vice President Kimrey Rhinehardt announced that Camp Lejeune had granted UNC Chapel Hill approval to offer the UNC Core certificate program to Marines. This approval enables Marines to use military tuition assistance as a form of payment for the UNC Core program.

3. UNC CORE and Veterans Affairs Education Benefits

Vice President Karrie Dixon introduced Dr. Joe Wescott, Executive Director of the North Carolina State Approving Agency. Dr. Wescott briefed the committee on the State Approving Agency's work. He reported that UNC Core was in the final stages of receiving approval from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

4. MARSOC Master's Degree Program RFI

Vice President Dixon updated the committee on a request from Marine Corps Forces Special Operations Command (MARSOC) to UNC institutions for a special track within existing masters programs for MARSOC Marines. General Administration has asked all interested campuses to submit proposals by March 31. MARSOC will select the program that fits their requirements.

5. Staff Update: UNC System Student Veterans Council

Vice President Rhinehardt reported that, later this month, the first meeting of the UNC System Student Veterans Council will take place in Chapel Hill.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:45.

Ann Maxwell, Secretary