The Citadel Board of Visitors held a teleconference meeting in the Executive Conference Room, Bond Hall, at 1300 hours on 1 November 2010. The purpose of the meeting was the Board of Visitors “One Thing” monthly meeting.

The following members were present in the Executive Conference Room or present via teleconference: Colonel Douglas A. Snyder, Chair; Colonel Glenn D. Addison; Colonel Allison Dean Love; Colonel William G. Kastner; Colonel Claude W. Burns III; Colonel W. Thomas McQueeny; Colonel Fred L. Price, Jr.; Lieutenant Colonel Ben W. Legare, Jr.; Colonel James M. McQuilla; Lieutenant General W. Michael Steele; Colonel Dylan W. Goff; and Colonel Leonard C. Fulghum, Jr., member emeritus. Lieutenant General John W. Rosa also attended via teleconference and members of his executive staff were present in the board room. Mr. Dennis Bergvall, Executive Director of The Citadel Foundation, also participated.

Voting members absent: none.

The meeting followed the agenda at enclosure 1.

Mr. Mark C. Brandenburg, General Counsel, stated that the meeting was in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act in that notice had been posted 24 hours in advance in Bond Hall and local media sources were notified at the same time by fax means.

A quorum was present.

Chair Snyder called the meeting, thanked all for participating and commented on the need to find a more descriptive word to describe changes to enhance the college rather than transformational.

Colonel Addison, Chair of the Athletics Committee, praised Coach Winch and the women’s soccer team for their Southern Conference Tournament win. He encouraged board members to let the team know of their support as they move forward in tournament play.

Colonel Burns, Chair of the Audit Committee, reported the release of the college’s audited financial statements and that work was progressing on the development of an agreement between The Citadel Trust and The Citadel.
Foundation (TCF). The football ticket office audit has been completed and the auditors are pleased with the procedures that have been put in place.

Colonel Price, Chair of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, reported discussions with the City of Charleston on various property issues continue.

Colonel Burns, Chair of the Customs and Regulations Committee, reported work continues on the consolidation of the Blue Book and the White Book.

Chair Snyder, Chair of the Executive Committee, reported the committee would meet in December to review board evaluation and communications.

Colonel McQueeney, Chair of the External Affairs Committee, reported his committee continues to partner with the community and corporate entities to enhance The Citadel’s presence with them.

Colonel Legare, Chair of the Finance Committee, said the Vice President for Finance, Colonel Sue Mitchell, has resigned to take a job out-of-state and Colonel Jim Openshaw, Budget Director, has assumed the position as interim. Also, President Rosa met with the Foundation board and discussed an additional grant, above the academic grant, to support the college.

Colonel Addison, Chair of the Special Recognition Committee, requested Board members get their recommendations for honorary degrees to the Provost’s Office as soon as possible. He also indicated he would like to have a discussion on Citadel naming policies at the December meeting.

General Steele, Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee, reported Provost Hines and his staff were working with alumni board members to provide a Blueprint summary to all alumni before homecoming. The extraordinary number of strategic plan accomplishments needs to be publicized to show the significant progress being made despite funding and staffing challenges.

Colonel Love, Chair of the Communications Task Force, thanked the president for his splendid efforts on bringing all college fundraising entities together to more effectively serve the school.
Chair Snyder reported on the Foundation board meeting held this past weekend in Spartanburg. The Foundation board is in full partnership with the college’s plan to move forward. The grant has been approved and the Foundation wants consultants to help us move quickly to more readily adapt to our new operational framework.

Colonel McQueeny was also encouraged by the positive and forward thinking attitude of the Foundation board.

President Rosa, who was also at the Foundation meeting, stated he felt a renewed sense of excitement with the direction the college is now taking.

The meeting closed with a general discussion of projected budget cuts and the college’s uniqueness in comparison to other state institutions of higher education.

A motion to adjourn was made by Colonel Legare, seconded, and unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 1340 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary to the Board of Visitors