The Citadel Board of Visitors held a teleconference in Room 514, Bond Hall, at 1300 hours on 3 March 2014 to conduct an executive session for legal and contractual matters and receive committee reports.

Board members present: Lieutenant General W. Michael Steele, Chair; Colonel Dylan W. Goff, Vice Chair (telephone); Colonel Douglas A. Snyder (telephone); Colonel Allison Dean Love (telephone); Lieutenant General John B. Sams, Jr.; Colonel “Tee” Hooper, Jr. (telephone); Colonel Peter M. McCoy, Sr.; Colonel Robert H. Nuttall; Colonel Eugene L. Pinson (telephone); Colonel Greg A. Lapointe (telephone); Major General Robert E. Livingston (telephone); Chairman Emeritus, Colonel Leonard C. Fulghum, Jr.; Member Emeritus, Colonel William E. Jenkinson, III (telephone); Mr. Claudius E. Watts, IV, Chairman, The Citadel Foundation; and Mr. Matthew G. Watson, President, The Citadel Brigadier Foundation. Also participating were Lieutenant General John W. Rosa, President, senior members of The Citadel staff, and Mrs. Patricia M. Kinard, Assistant to the President for Board Matters.

Voting members absent: Colonel Glenn D. Addison. A quorum was present.

The meeting followed the agenda at enclosure 1.

Colonel Myron C. Harrington, Board Secretary, stated the meeting was in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act.

Chair Steele opened the meeting, reviewed the agenda, and stated the purpose of the meeting was to provide updates and to conduct an executive session.

Colonel Snyder, Chair of the Strategy, Vision and Governance Committee, was called to report. He said the committee would meet on 28 March to discuss tuition options, the status of the Campus Master Plan, and College Regulations and policy changes.

Colonel Joseph Garcia, Vice President for Finance, stated work continues on refining the new financial forecasting model. A new Budget Director has been hired. Two factors have been identified which will add $1.8 to our budget - the state legislature has mandated a 1.5% pay raise for state employees, and the proposal to reclassify all veteran students as in-state for tuition purposes. He will provide tuition recommendations at the April meeting.
Colonel Thomas G. Philipkosky, Vice President for Operations, noted funding for the Asset Management Plan portion of the Campus Master Plan is being worked into the budget; he anticipates a contract will be executed by 10 July with a completion date of November 2014. General Rosa said faculty/staff housing on campus is being studied. He anticipates a decision in this regard will be made next year.

Lieutenant Colonel Tara McNealy, Associate Provost for Planning, Assessment and Evaluation, reviewed the demographic parameters impacting on the construction of a new Stevens Barracks. She pointed out that threats outweigh opportunities at this time. The recommendation from the focus group is to delay making a decision and closely monitor trends for changes in favor of construction. Of concern to the Board is the time remaining before the barracks reaches the end of its useful and safe service. This concern will be addressed in the Asset Management Plan.

Colonel McCoy, Chair of the Operations and Risk Management Committee, was called on for his report. He said the Cadet Accountability System, which is being created by $1.5 million in special funding from the State, is on track. This is a six-phase project, with two phases completed, two more under development, and final completion scheduled for August 2015. Approximately $250K has been spent to date. Colonel Cardon B. Crawford, Director of Governmental and Community Affairs, is keeping legislators up-to-date on the progress of the project.

General Sams, Chair of the Education and Leadership Development Committee, was called on for his report.

General Sams said hiring of faculty and renovation of facilities has commenced to accommodate the new Mechanical Engineering Degree program. Challenges remain in that the State has reduced our requested funding by 50%. Potential exists for these funds to be put back in the budget, but it will take a strong effort on our behalf to ensure legislators recognize the significant impact this program will have in supporting industry such as Boeing in relocating to South Carolina.

General Sams closed by reviewing the schedule and preparation for the 31 March - 2 April SACS accreditation visit, identifying those Board members available to participate during the visit, and detailing for the Board the QEP (Quality Enhancement Plan) campus marketing progress.
Chair Steele called for a motion to go into executive session for legal matters. Motion made by Colonel Goff, seconded by Colonel Nuttall, and unanimously passed.

Colonel Goff motioned to come out of executive session, seconded by Colonel Love, and unanimously passed.

No actions were taken as a result of the executive session deliberations.

Chair Steele closed the meeting by informing members of the status of Honorary Degree nominations. He also said the Honorable Deborah Lee James, Secretary of the Air Force, will be the Corps commencement speaker and Mr. Scott Case will be The CGC commencement speaker.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1355 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary to the Board of Visitors