THE CITADEL BOARD OF VISITORS TELECONFERENCE MINUTES 1 December 2022

The Citadel Board of Visitors (BOV) held a teleconference on 1 December 2022 using Zoom technology in Room 514, Bond Hall, to: conduct an executive session for legal advice related to pending, threatened, and potential claims, and other matters covered by attorney-client privilege; receive a campus update from the President; approve amendment of the Howie Memorial Bell Tower Columbarium Niche Endowment Fund (action item); receive results of State Procurement Audit; and discuss other BOV matters.

The following Board members were present: Colonel Dylan W. Goff, Chair (Zoom); Colonel Peter M. McCoy, Sr., Vice Chair (Telephone); Colonel Allison Dean Love (Zoom); Colonel L. E. "Gene" Pinson (Zoom); Colonel John C. Dominick (Zoom); Colonel James E. Nicholson, Jr. (Telephone); Colonel William M. (Bill) Connor, V (Zoom); Mrs. Deborah W. Hargrove, representative for the Honorable Molly M. Spearman, SC State Superintendent of Education (Zoom); Major General R. Van McCarty, SC State Adjutant General (Zoom); Dr. Christopher C. Swain, Chairman, The Citadel Foundation (TCF) (Telephone); Mr. John P. McAleer, III President, The Citadel Alumni Association (Zoom); and Lieutenant Colonel William R. Culbreath, Jr., President, The Citadel Brigadier Foundation (TCBF) (Zoom)

Also in attendance: General Glenn M. Walters, President; Brigadier General Sally C. Selden, Provost and Dean of the College; Colonel Cardon B. Crawford, Senior Vice President for Operations and Administration; Colonel Thomas J. Gordon, Commandant of Cadets; Captain Jeffrey D. Lamberson, Vice President for Facilities and Engineering; Colonel William R. Leggett, Vice President for Communications and Marketing; Mr. Michael J. Capaccio, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics (Zoom); Mr. Mark C. Brandenburg, General Counsel; Chaplain S. Aaron Meadows, Chaplain to the Corps of Cadets and Director of Religious Activities; Lieutenant Colonel Thomas P. McAlister, Associate Vice President for Alumni Affairs; Ms. Emily Poland, Finance and Business Coordinator; Mrs. Lori B. Hedstrom, Executive Assistant to the Board and Senior Vice President (Zoom); and Lieutenant Colonel John W. Powell, Jr., Secretary to the Board of Visitors.

Voting members absent: Colonel Stanley L. Myers, Sr.; Colonel F. G. "Greg" Delleney, Jr.; Colonel Robert E. Lyon, Jr.; and Dr. Trez V. Smith. A quorum was present.

The meeting followed the agenda at enclosure 1.

The meeting was in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act. Notice was posted in Bond Hall and on the college website 24 hours in advance. The media was notified by electronic means at the same time.

Chair Goff called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and reviewed the day's agenda. He then asked for a motion to enter executive sessions to discuss legal matters. Mr. Brandenburg indicated that would not be necessary as he had no updates to provide today.

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General Walters began his update with a report on the recent trip he and Brigadier General Selden took to Washington, DC. There they meet with U.S. State Department and U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID officials, the Ukrainian Ambassador, and others to discuss the proposal for additional Ukrainian students to attend The Citadel. He reported on the enthusiastic support received along with the approval from the full South Carolina Congressional Delegation. He reported on the progress Brigadier General Selden recently accomplished in developing a relationship with Ingalls Shipbuilding which may provide future opportunities for internships and other shared projects. He closed stating exams start next week with the winter furlough to soon follow.

A question on the number of first year cadets that have departed the college initiated a short discussion on the retention/attrition status of the freshmen class. Brigadier General Selden indicated that each departing cadet undergoes an exit interview and that the results will be after the holidays. Colonel Gordon stated that the early departures were primarily a result of failure to adapt to The Citadel lifestyle. He indicated that there were mental health issues with others. The more recent departures were due to academic difficulties.

Chaplain Meadows began the discussion on the requested amendment to the Howie Memorial Bell Tower Columbarium Endowment Fund by reviewing the issues of the current resolution that limits the needed use of the available funding. He then presented the recommended amendments that would provide more flexibility and the priority in which funds would be expended. He reported that BOV approval was necessary due to the fund being originally established through The Citadel Trust (TCT) instead of The Citadel Foundation (TCF). Colonel Cansler indicated TCT and the donating classes are all in favor of the amendment.

Colonel Dominick moved:

MOTION

"That the Board of Visitors approves the amendment of the Howie Memorial Bell Tower Columbarium Niche Endowment Fund as presented at the 1 December 2022 Board meeting."

The motion was seconded by Colonel Love. Members voting in favor of the motion: Goff, McCoy, Love, Pinson, Dominick, Nicholson, Connor, and McCarty. Members voting against the motion: none. The motion passed.

Chaplain Meadows departed the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Colonel Cansler presented the results of the State Procurement Audit stating there were two issues identified. As a result, the following will be implemented:

- The state procurement code will apply to purchases of uniforms in the future
- Funds transferred to The Citadel's bank accounts from TCF of TCBF are not exempt from the stat procurement code. Future exempt purchases will be through TCF and then those items will be transferred to The Citadel as a gift.

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Other than the two items noted, all other results were good. Colonel Cansler reported that The Citadel's delegation authority remains unchained with a purchase limit of \$500,000 for supplies and services, consulting services, information technology, and construction contract awards. He ended his presentation stating The Citadel has a great relationship with the state auditor's office.

Chair Goff asked if there was anything else to come before the board.

Colonel Connor reported the branch assignments for the Army cadets have been released.

Lieutenant Colonel Culbreath reminded the board that Saturday is "Pack the Mac" day as we play the College of Charleston in basketball.

Colonel Cansler stated that he and Captain Lamberson recently had a meeting with the Commission on Higher Education (CHE) to discuss the work on Steven's Barracks and reported that CHE is very impressed with our efforts in saving money on the project.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John W. Powell, Jr. Lieutenant Colonel, USMCR (Ret) Secretary to the Board of Visitors