The Citadel Board of Visitors conducted a teleconference meeting at 1300 hours on Monday, 2 November 2009, to review and be updated on Board of Visitors committee developments over the past month. Each committee chair reported on the status of their committee's "One Thing" initiative.

The following members were present: Colonel Douglas A. Snyder, Chair; Colonel Glenn D. Addison, Vice Chair; Colonel William E. Jenkinson III; Colonel Allison Dean Love; Colonel William G. Kastner; Colonel Claude W. Burns III; Colonel W. Thomas McQueeney; Colonel Fred L. Price, Jr.; Lieutenant Colonel Ben W. Legare, Jr.; Colonel James M. McQuilla; and Lieutenant General W. Michael Steele. Mr. Mark A. Nash, President of The Citadel Brigadier Foundation, and Colonel Edward B. Carter, President of The Citadel Alumni Association, were in attendance. Also in attendance was Lieutenant General John W. Rosa, President, along with senior members of his staff.

Members absent: Major General Stanhope Spears and Colonel Leonard C. Fulghum, Jr.

The meeting followed the agenda at enclosure 1.

Mr. Mark 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 facsimile transmission.

A quorum was present.

No action items were considered at the meeting.

Following are committee highlights:

Communications Task Force: Reported that a “Survey Monkey” was being developed to determine internal and external communication requirements of and for the Board. Requested input from members on their requirements.

Executive: Continues focusing on board effectiveness tools and development of presidential assessment model.
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Finance: Reported receipt of $2.1 million in federal stimulus funds on 15 October. Of that sum, $1.1 million will go towards Capers Hall renovation with remaining amount to be spread among seven other projects.

Education: Reported that the Curriculum committee has been reviewing the Leadership Minor Curriculum and that marketing for the Veterans Program would begin in December. Leadership Minor Curriculum will begin in the fall of 2010 for sophomores.

Buildings and Grounds: Reported that work is complete on the Campus Master Plan, Parking Garage Demand and Analysis Study, and the Staff Quarters Demand and Analysis Study. Planning for deferred maintenance reduction is on track and campus needs are being prioritized.

Athletics: Reported that the department continues to work to maximize its budget efficiency. First Hall of Fame Banquet was well received and highly successful.

Customs and Regulations: Work continues on reviewing the feasibility of consolidating the College Regulations and cadet manuals.

External Affairs: Continuing to reach out to the community with the most recent efforts directed to focus groups reviewing how we can better serve the African American community.

Strategic Planning: Reported that BG Harry Carter is leading development of Leadership Minor and that Veterans Program is on target for next fall. President Rosa has authorized $500,000 to support the Krause initiative and staff is working on alignment of resources to support The Citadel Blueprint.

Audit: Reported that The Citadel Trust received a “clean” audit report from the external auditors and that they were highly complimentary of the Trust’s staff.

The Citadel Alumni Association (CAA): Reported that lease agreement with the Corps of Engineers should be finalized this week. Efforts to return “Big Red” from Iowa have been successful and fundraising to begin the process is in progress.
The Class of 2010 made a lead gift of $5,000 and $10,000 more from alumni has come in as well. Colonel Carter thanked everyone for all the board support during his tenure as CAA representative. Chair Snyder thanked him for all of his sterling efforts with the CAA this past year.

The Citadel Brigadier Foundation: Reported that $350,000 was raised during the first quarter of their fundraising year. A great start!

The Citadel Foundation: No report.

In closing, Chair Snyder called on President Rosa for comments.

President Rosa reported that he was building a team of external experts to help with a financial analysis of the college and that at December’s board meeting the board would be briefed on its status and progress. He also reviewed ongoing cadet disciplinary issues with the board.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 1345 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary to the Board of Visitors