THE CITADEL BOARD OF VISITORS
MONTHLY TELECONFERENCE MINUTES
6 DECEMBER 2013

The Citadel Board of Visitors held its monthly teleconference in the Scarborough Media Room at the Holliday Alumni Center at 1230 hours on 6 December 2013, to conduct an executive session for legal matters, and to receive committee updates and restructure progress reports.

The following members were present: Lieutenant General W. Michael Steele, Chair; Colonel Dylan W. Goff, Vice Chair; Colonel Douglas A. Snyder; Colonel Allison Dean Love; Colonel Glenn D. Addison; Colonel “Tee” Hooper, Jr. (telephone); Colonel Peter M. McCoy, Sr.; Colonel Robert H. Nuttall, Sr.; Colonel Eugene L. Pinson; Colonel Greg A. Lapointe; Colonel Leonard C. Fulghum, Jr., Chairman Emeritus; The Honorable Mick Zais, South Carolina Superintendent of Education; Major General Robert E. Livingston, Adjutant General of South Carolina (telephone); Mr. Claudius E. Watts, IV, Chairman, The Citadel Foundation; and Lieutenant Colonel W. Crawford Moore, President, The Citadel Alumni Association. Also present were Lieutenant General John W. Rosa, President; Brigadier General Samuel M. Hines, Provost and Dean of the College; Colonel Thomas G. Philipkosky, Vice President for Operations; Colonel Joseph Garcia, Vice President for Finance; Colonel L. Jeffrey Perez, Vice President for External Affairs; Mr. Mark C. Brandenburg, General Counsel; Mr. Richard Nelson, Director of Information Technology Services; Mr. M. Dawes Cooke, Jr., Attorney, Legal Advisor to the Board of Visitors; Mr. Rutledge Young, Attorney; Mr. Billy Mills, Wells Fargo Insurance Services representative; Ms. Diane Knich of the Post and Courier; and Mrs. Patricia M. Kinard, Assistant to the President for Board Matters.

Voting members absent: Lieutenant General John B. Sams, Jr. A quorum was present.

The meeting followed the agenda at enclosure 1.

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

Chair Steele opened the meeting and welcomed to the Board Colonel Moore, President of The Citadel Alumni Association. He then provided members with an article from Forbes Magazine on college presidents’ leadership challenges, reviewed the agenda, and called for a motion to go into executive session for legal, contractual and personnel matters.

Motion made by Colonel Lapointe, seconded by Colonel Nuttall, and unanimously passed. Motion to come out of executive session made by Colonel Goff, seconded by Colonel Nuttall, and unanimously passed.
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There were no actions to be taken from executive session deliberations.

Chair Steele called on the President for his report.

President Rosa briefly noted the semester has been a good one and the Corps is getting ready for exams. He introduced Colonel Joseph Garcia, Vice President for Finance. He said discussions with legislators regarding needed funding to start up the Mechanical Engineering program were well received.

Chair Steele called for an update on the progress committees were making with restructure efforts.

Colonel Snyder reported the committees were reviewing the proposed restructure for alignment with College Regulations and the new college councils; another meeting has been scheduled for 14 January 2014 for the Strategy, Vision and Governance Committee to finalize recommendations on how to move forward. The key is for committees to be flexible, coordinate with their respective college councils, and to be at 80% or more towards completion of their Purpose and Responsibilities statements by the 24-25 January Board meetings.

Colonel Goff commended the Provost and the Commandant for their meticulous efforts to effectively integrate their components into the new committee structure, especially aligning actions with beliefs.

Chair Steele directed the Ad-Hoc Committee to review Board of Visitors composition and identify needs and how to address them. He asked the committee to be prepared to address this issue in detail at the 24-25 January meeting.

Committee chairs were then called on.

Colonel Snyder, Chair of the Strategy, Vision and Governance Committee, reported the new Vice President for Finance was onboard, a committee meeting is scheduled for 14 December to review 2014-2015 budget planning, and the three issues impacting the development of a Campus Master Plan would be addressed by the administration at the 24-25 January Board meeting.

Colonel Goff, Vice Chair of the Education and Leadership Development Committee, reported the committee would meet on 16 January to finalize their changeover to the new structure. He called on General Hines for a SACS accreditation visit update.
General Hines reported the SACS Team would have several members who had military experience as well as key administrative experience at higher education military colleges. It is anticipated that three or four Board members will be involved with the team’s visit and will be expected to address the Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP). A more detailed presentation regarding the SACS visit will be provided at the 24-25 January Board meeting. General Hines also noted Associate Professor Stephenie Hewett had been suggested for Board recognition at the January meeting for her Darkness to Light training initiatives.

Colonel Love, Chair, Communications and Community Relations Committee, reported on proposed legislative strategy initiatives as well as proposed ROTC program initiatives being developed to enhance The Citadel as a "school of choice" for DOD ROTC scholarships.

Colonel Love briefly reviewed plans for implementation of the SharePoint portal. She called on the Mr. Nelson who reviewed SharePoint plans and asked Board members to provide their email addresses to facilitate access into the system.

Colonel McCoy, Chair of the Operations and Risk Management Committee, reported the committee was finalizing their changeover to the new structure, and fine-tuning their Purpose and Responsibilities statement. The committee will meet again before the 24-25 January meeting.

Colonel Goff reviewed and updated the action items list.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1445 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Myron C. Harrington, Jr.
Colonel, USMC (Retired)
Secretary to the Board of Visitors