

Dr. Dozier presented the minutes of the August 3, 2012 Board Meeting to the Board for approval. Mr. Tracy Freeman made a motion for the minutes to be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ken Jackson. The minutes received unanimous approval by the Board.

#### Executive Affairs Committee:

Dr. Dozier noted that the Executive Committee met, and went into executive session to hear some issues related to a contractual matter and a legal matter. No action was required or taken.

#### Academic Affairs and Accreditation Committee:

Mr. W. Coleman delivered the Academic Affairs and Accreditation Committee report and indicated that according to Dr. Peter King, Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Enrollment Management, new freshman enrollment is up from last year. The total number of entering freshmen was 814 and the total enrollment for fall was 4,093 students. Mr. Coleman noted that the Admissions Office has added Greenville, SC to the guidance counselor breakfasts that are scheduled to be held in Columbia, Charleston, and Florence in October 2012. Mr. Coleman reported that the McNair Scholarship competition is well under way and it is expected that there will be over 150 applicants. Fourteen students will be chosen from the pool of applicants for the interview process that will be held on January 4, 2013. Mr. Coleman also announced that Ashley Owens joined the staff of the Office of Financial Assistance on November 1, 2012.

Mr. Coleman then presented for approval Resolution 06-12, Resolution for Approving a Revised Strategic Plan for Francis Marion University. Mr. Coleman moved that the Board of Trustees approve Resolution 06-12. Mr. Tracy Freeman seconded the motion. Dr. Fred Carter stated that there are two items that differ from the revised strategic plan that was presented and discussed at the August 2012 Board retreat. One item originated with the Board of Trustees and placed additional emphasis on the relationship between the University and area businesses. The second change came from the faculty leadership, Dr. Carter, and Dr. Chapman. This item strengthened the commitment to continue to work on compensation and benefits for faculty and staff. Following a brief discussion, a vote was taken and Resolution 06-12 received unanimous approval by the Board of Trustees.

Following a brief update on the status of the Family Nurse Practitioner and the Nurse Educator program, Mr. Coleman asked Dean Ron Faulkenberry to describe the recent National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) reaccreditation process. Dean Faulkenberry stated that the NCATE review is conducted by a team of experts in the field of teacher preparation and takes place every seven years. NCATE's preliminary report showed that the FMU School of Education met all state and national standards with no areas of weakness or areas needing improvement. Dr. Faulkenberry thanked the faculty, administration and graduates of the School of Education for helping achieve a positive report. Mr. Coleman ended his committee report by congratulating the School of Education for the successful NCATE reaccreditation.

#### Development and Alumni Committee:

Mr. Tracy Freeman began his report by stating that the Education Foundation had their Board meeting on October 24, 2012. They reviewed a financial report and discussed other business related to operations. He stated that the board's leadership continues with Buddy Brand, Chair; Toy Nettles, Vice Chair and Jane Huggins, Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Freeman then stated that the Scholarship Reception was held on October 25, 2012 and that the FMU Foundation Golf tournament will be held on Friday, March 8, 2013 at the Country Club of South Carolina.

#### Alumni Affairs Report:

Mr. Freeman stated that Mr. Julian Young gave a report on alumni events that took place in early fall 2012. Mr. Young stated that the Darlington – Hartsville Alumni Reception was hosted by Alumni Association President, Mr. James Harrell and Trustee Stephen Jones. It was held on September 6, 2012 in the Pavilion at Lawton Park in Hartsville. On September 13, 2012 the Alumni Association held an After Hours Alumni Reception at Southern Hops Brewing Company. It was well attended by alumni, faculty and staff. The Psychology Alumni Reception was held on Tuesday, October 2, 2012 at The Cottage. Megan Bryant Temple '06 was presented the Professional Psychology Award for outstanding service in professional psychology and her many contributions to children, colleagues and the community. The Baseball Alumni weekend was held on October 6-7, 2012. The alumni were pleased to play a game in the new Griffin Athletic Complex. The Biology Alumni Award Reception was held on Tuesday, October 9, 2012. Dr. John C. McKee '77 was presented the Dr. John S. Boyce award.

Next, Mr. Freeman noted that the "Fall for FMU" Alumni Reception and Concert will be held on November 29, 2012 at 6:00 at the FMU Performing Arts Center. Tickets are being sold at \$10 each and can be purchased through the Alumni Affairs Office. The ticket price includes heavy hors d'oeuvres, one drink and a concert performed by the FMU Jazz Express. The Alumni Association annual membership dinner will be held on February 28, 2013 at the FMU Performing Arts Center. The event begins with a reception followed by an awards ceremony.

Mr. Freeman then reported that Homecoming week will be February 11-16, 2013. The School of Education Award Reception will be held at The Cottage on February 12, 2013 and the School of Business Awards Breakfast will be held on February 15, 2013 at the FMU PAC. On the evening of February 15, 2013, the Alumni Association is hosting a reception and concert featuring the "Blue Dogs" at the FMU PAC. Tickets will be sold through the PAC box office.

#### Financial Affairs and Facilities Committee:

Mr. George McIntyre stated that the committee reviewed the University Budget Summary, which reflects activity of the first quarter. Mr. McIntyre noted that the University has collected approximately 62% of its budget income for this year and has expended 24% of the budgeted expenses. Mr. McIntyre stated that the headcount is up and reflects the increased constructional areas at FMU. He then noted that 87% of FMU students are receiving some form of Financial Assistance and that the Board is making all the efforts to find financial resources for FMU students.

Next, Mr. McIntyre reviewed the audit report that ended on June 30, 2012. He noted that it was a clean audit and that the auditor had no reservations concerning the financial statements at FMU. The auditor issued a clean opinion, and there were no findings of material inaccuracies. The audit firm proposed that no adjustments be made, and there were no incidents of noncompliance with accounting standards.