## Financial Affairs and Facilities Committee:

Mr. George McIntyre began by reviewing the quarterly budget summary and he noted that only 8% of the fiscal year has passed. The University has received 18% of income and expended about 7%. The employee headcount has remained unchanged. He noted the importance of financial assistance and that 87% of students receive financial aid in the upcoming year.

Mr. McIntyre concluded his report with a facilities update:

- Through the efforts of Senator Leatherman and others on the county transportation committee, FMU received a 350,000 grant from the Department of Transportation to enhance highway 327, landscaping and traffic control.
- -There are ongoing renovations at the Hyman Fine Arts Building. They are replacing the rigging in the theatre.
- There is new signage being installed around campus. The signage will be up and ready before the students arrive in late August 2013.
- -An upcoming project will be taking place at the PAC's amphitheater. A new shell will be installed to allow for more activities in the amphitheater area.
- Renovations are underway in the Leatherman and McNair Science buildings. Upgrades include wallpaper, carpet and other cosmetic upgrades.
- Apartments and Dormitories are being painted in preparation for fall enrollment.
- Wireless communications are being completed in the Forrest Villa Apartments.

Mr. George McIntyre concluded his report.

Student Affairs and Athletics Committee:

Mr. Eddie Gunn began by giving updates and reporting on new initiatives:

- 1. Freshman Focus: Personal growth and development program for the first year students.
- 2. Leadership FMU Program: Will continue with a greater focus on civility and community building in addition to leadership.
- 3. Patriot Day of Service: A day dedicated to students committing to service throughout the Pee Dee Area.
- 4. Career Connections: This piloted program in the spring semester will become a regular program occurring in the fall and spring semesters

Mr. Gunn then announced the following upcoming events:

- 1. Freshman Move-In: August 17, 2013; and
- 2. Welcome Week: August 18 21, 2013.

Mr. Gunn noted that Admissions is anticipating 800 new students this fall.

Mr. Gunn then concluded his report by giving an athletics update:

- A social media speaker will speak to students and coaches on problems, issues and benefits of social media this fall.
- Mike Green, motivational speaker, will be back on campus in the fall to discuss the dangers of drinking.
- Associate Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, Keith Best, will speak to the athletes about plagiarism.
- The baseball field will receive some much needed maintenance since it has been used so much in the last year.

Mr. Gunn concluded his report.

## President's Report:

Dr. Carter began the report by welcoming Trustees Keels, Bryson, Bunch and Moore to the FMU Board. He also congratulated Trustees Richardson, Hartung, Coleman, Dozier and McIntyre on being re-elected to another term on the Board. Dr. Carter then proceeded to report on completed projects, projects that are underway and upcoming projects:

- In 2004, FMU began BSN in Nursing;
- Last year Nurse Practitioner and Nurse Educator programs;
- Today The board made the decision to send an initial request to begin the Physicians' Assistant Program to the CHE;
- -Next year In collaboration with USC, 40 third and fourth year Medical students will come to Florence, South Carolina to begin their clinical work; and
- Fall 2013 A feasibility study will be conducted to begin a Speech Therapy Program (anticipated in the fall of 2017).
- Dr. Carter thanked Senator Hugh Leatherman and the other members of the delegation, specifically, Mr. Lowe and Mr. Crawford, for the strong

support they gave the University in seeking funding for the Nurse Practitioner Program and the Health Sciences Facility.

- Dr. Carter then proceeded to report on the Bachelor of Science in Engineering Program:
- The faculty produced a comprehensive BSE curriculum in about 18 months;
- The university was successful in getting an appropriation this past year which will secure the recurring costs of that program; and
- To date, the FMU Foundation has received three major gifts from Santee Cooper, Honda and Duke Energy.

Dr. Carter then commented on two recent recognitions:

- 1. National award "Great Colleges to Work For" FMU was one of about 30 institutions recognized across the country for being a great
- 2. The City of Florence received a state wide award from the Municipal Association economic development initiative. The initiative that was focused upon was the partnership and the creation of the Performing Arts Center. Dr. Carter congratulated the Board for being a part of the city's success.

Dr. Carter concluded his report.

Unfinished Business

Trustee Ken Jackson thanked his fellow nominating committee members; Trustees Gail Richardson and Tracy Freeman. He then presented a slate of new officers for the 2014 - 2015 year:

Chairman - Mr. George McIntyre; Vice Chairman - Mr. Tim Norwood; and Secretary - Mr. Frank Elmore.

Dr. Randy Dozier noted that the Board will vote on the new slate of officers at the November 2013 meeting.

**New Business** 

No new business.

Dr. Dozier made a motion to adjourn. The Board adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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