

MINUTES OF RECONVENED MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF  
AUBURN UNIVERSITY

NOVEMBER 10, 2017

**AGENDA**  
**AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
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1. Approval of the Friday, September 15, 2017 Reconvened Meeting Minutes.
2. President's Report
3. AUM Chancellor Report
4. Awarding of Degrees
5. Action Items and Committee Reports
- A. Property and Facilities Committee/Chairperson Roberts
  1. Miller Gorrie Center Laboratory Renovations, Final Project Approval
  2. Equestrian Facility Improvements Phase I – Final Project Approval
  3. Plainsman Park Player Development Improvements, Approval of the Project Architect Selection
  4. Jane B. Moore Softball Complex Player Development Improvements, Approval of the Project Architect Selection
  5. Auburn Arena Locker Room Enhancement, Approval of the Project Architect Selection
  6. Poultry Research Farm Unit Relocation Phases III - VI, Approval of Project Initiation
  7. Graduate Business Building, Approval of Additional Scope and Budget Increase
  8. Advanced Structural Testing Laboratory and Approval of Project Initiation and Project Architect Selection
- B. Executive Committee/Chairperson McCrary
  1. Naming of Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs (Steven Leath)
  2. Proposed Namings and Awards (Jane Parker)
6. Recess Meeting

MINUTES OF A RECONVENED MEETING OF THE  
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2017  
STUDENT CENTER BALLROOM  
AUBURN UNIVERSITY

The Board of Trustees of Auburn University convened for a meeting on Friday, November 10, 2017 in the Ballroom of the Auburn University Student Center. President Pro Tempore Mike DeMaioribus asked for the roll call by Board Secretary Grant Davis. The following named members of the Board of Trustees were deemed to be in attendance:

Lloyd Austin, Mike DeMaioribus, Bob Dumas, Elizabeth Huntley, Raymond Harbert, Charles McCrary, Gaines Lanier, Sarah B. Newton, Jim Pratt, Jimmy Rane, Quentin Riggins, B.T. Roberts, Clark Sahlie, Jimmy Sanford, and Wayne Smith.

Governor Kay Ivey was absent from the meeting.

The individuals listed above represent all persons recognized as members of the Board of Trustees of Auburn University at the time of the meeting. Also sitting with the Board were James Goldstein, Faculty Advisor (AU); Pia Knigge, Faculty Advisor (AUM); AU SGA President Jacqueline Keck; and AUM SGA President Christian Crawford. Other persons in attendance at the meeting included the following:

Steven Leath, President; Don Large, Executive Vice President; Timothy Boosinger, Provost of AU; Carl Stockton, Chancellor of AUM; Lee Armstrong, General Counsel; Bobby Woodard, Vice President for Student Affairs; Jane Parker, Vice President for Development; Gretchen VanValkenburg, Vice President for Alumni Affairs; Kelli Shomaker, Vice President for Business and Finance and Chief Financial Officer; Brian Keeter, Director of Public Affairs and Interim Chief of Staff; CJ Hincey, Executive Director of Governmental Affairs; Dan King, Associate Vice President for Facilities; Royrickers Cook, Vice President and Associate Provost for Outreach; Larry Fillmer, Executive Director of External Engagement and Support; Mike Clardy, Assistant Vice President of Communications and Marketing; Jim O'Connor, Chief Information Officer; Beau Byrd, President of the Auburn Alumni Association; Benny LaRussa, Vice Chair, AU Foundation Board of Directors, Daniel Svyantek, Chair, Auburn University Senate and AU Faculty Representative, Academic Affairs Committee; Kira Bowen, AU Faculty Representative, Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee; Elizabeth Woodworth, AUM Faculty Representative, AUM Committee; Beverly Marshall, AU Faculty Representative, and Kim Brackett, AUM Faculty Representative, Finance Committee; Duane Brandon, AU Faculty Representative, Institutional Advancement Committee; David Hinson, AU Faculty Representative, Property and Facilities Committee; Lisa Kensler, AU Faculty Representative, Student Affairs Committee; Lawrence Hamberlin, AU Administrative and Professional Assembly Chair; Charlene Thomas, AU Staff Council Chair; and Iyisha Hampton, AUM Staff Council President.

Mr. DeMaioribus asked Mr. Armstrong if there were matters to be discussed in Executive Session, and Mr. Armstrong indicated that there were pending or potential litigation matters to discuss. A motion was received from Mr. DeMaioribus to move into Executive Session, seconded

by Mr. Dumas, and the Board of Trustees unanimously approved. Mr. DeMaioribus announced that the meeting would reconvene within thirty (30) minutes.

Mr. DeMaioribus reconvened the meeting at 11:05 a.m. and asked for a motion to adopt the minutes from the September 15, 2017, meeting. A motion was received from Mr. Rane, seconded by Mr. Dumas, and the following minutes were unanimously approved.

#### RESOLUTION

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

WHEREAS, copies of the minutes of the Reconvened Meeting on Friday, September 15, 2017, have been distributed to all members of this Board of Trustees for review.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees at Auburn University that the minutes of its September 15, 2017, meeting are hereby approved as distributed.

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Mr. DeMaioribus then called for a motion to approve the Awarding of Degrees for Auburn University and Auburn University at Montgomery. A second was received from Mr. Roberts, and the Board unanimously approved the awarding of degrees.

#### RESOLUTION

#### AWARDING OF DEGREES

WHEREAS, Auburn University confers appropriate degrees upon those individuals who have completed requirements previously approved by this Board of Trustees and stated in University catalogs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That all degrees to be awarded by the faculty of Auburn University and Auburn University at Montgomery at the end of Fall Semester 2017, complying with the requirements heretofore established by the Board of Trustees, be and the same are hereby approved.
  2. That a list of the degrees awarded be filed in the Book of Exhibits and made a part of this resolution and of these minutes.
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Mr. DeMaioribus then called upon Dr. Leath for the President's Report. Dr. Leath called upon Chancellor Stockton for a report from the AUM Campus. Dr. Stockton informed everyone of events occurring on the AUM campus.

Dr. Leath then called upon Dr. John Mason to introduce an elite group of faculty members receiving National Science Foundation CAREER awards. He introduced the following who were in attendance: Dr. Wendy Hood, Dr. Steven Manasoorabadi, Dr. Bradley Merner, Dr. Konrad Patkowski and Dr. Haruka Wada. He congratulated each of them and informed the Board that currently Auburn University is home to five researchers with active, ongoing NSF CAREER Awards and that the average total five-year dollar amount of these awards amounted to \$780,000.

Dr. Leath then noted that General Counsel Lee Armstrong would soon be retiring after 28 years of service to Auburn University. He thanked Mr. Armstrong for his counsel and announced that after a national search the position of General Counsel would be filled by Ms. Jamie Hammer, effective January 8, 2018. Dr. Leath told the Board that the University would likewise soon need to fill other senior leadership positions, such as that of Athletics Director, and expressed his intention to proceed with a sense of urgency. In that spirit, he thanked Dean Vini Nathan for Chairing, and Trustee Newton for serving on, the search committee for Auburn's next Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. He then complimented the search committee for accomplishing its work in only 65 days. .

Mr. DeMaioribus thanked Dr. Leath for his report.

Mr. DeMairobius then moved to Committee Reports as follows:

Property and Facilities Committee - - Chairperson B.T. Roberts indicated that the Property and Facilities Committee had met earlier and discussed several items and moved for adoption of a unanimous consent agenda. A second was received from Mrs. Huntley, and the following resolutions were unanimously approved.

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## RESOLUTION

### MILLER GORRIE CENTER LABORATORY RENOVATIONS FINAL PROJECT APPROVAL

WHEREAS, at its meeting on September 15, 2017, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation and architect selection for the Miller Gorrie Center Laboratory Renovations project; and

WHEREAS, the project will renovate 2,900 square feet of existing space in the Miller Gorrie Center to create a new virtual design and construction laboratory space; and

WHEREAS, the renovated space will include a new visualization laboratory and student competition rooms; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total project cost for the Miller Gorrie Center Laboratory Renovations is \$1.05 million, to be financed by College of Architecture, Design and Construction funds; and

WHEREAS, the renovation will take place inside the Miller Gorrie Center, located on West Samford Avenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Miller Gorrie Center Laboratory Renovations project is approved and that Steven Leath, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

1. Establish a budget for the Miller Gorrie Center Laboratory Renovations project in the amount of \$1.05 million, to be financed by College of Architecture, Design and Construction funds; and
2. Direct the consultants to complete the required plans for the project; and
3. Solicit bids and award a contract for construction conditioned upon the lowest responsible and responsive bid being consistent with the project budget.

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## RESOLUTION

### EQUESTRIAN FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS PHASE I – INFRASTRUCTURE AND EQUINE BARN FINAL PROJECT APPROVAL

WHEREAS, at its meeting on February 3, 2017, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation and architect selection for the Equestrian Facility Improvements project; and

WHEREAS, the first phase of the project will construct a one-story 10,000 square foot barn which will replace the existing barn with a barn specifically for equine use by Auburn University's National Champion Equestrian Team; and

WHEREAS, the project team has completed the schematic design of the first phase of the project, which will include utilities infrastructure along with site work in support of the equine barn and future facilities to be presented to the Board of Trustees in the second phase of the project; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total project cost for the Equestrian Facility Improvements Phase I – Infrastructure and Equine Barn is \$2.9 million, to be financed by Athletics Department funds; and

WHEREAS, the site for the new equine barn and its associated infrastructure will be located at the Auburn University Equine Teaching & Performance Center which is located at 1235 Wire Road.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Equestrian Facility Improvements Phase I – Infrastructure and Equine Barn project is approved and that Steven Leath, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

1. Establish a budget for the Equestrian Facility Improvements Phase I – Infrastructure and

Equine Barn project in the amount of \$2.9 million, to be financed by Athletics Department funds; and

2. Direct the consultants to complete the required plans for the project; and
3. Solicit bids and award a contract for construction conditioned upon the lowest responsible and responsive bid being consistent with the project budget.

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RESOLUTION

PLAINSMAN PARK PLAYER DEVELOPMENT IMPROVEMENTS  
APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT ARCHITECT SELECTION

WHEREAS, at its meeting of September 15, 2017, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Plainsman Park Player Development Improvements project and authorized the commencement of the architect and construction manager selection processes; and

WHEREAS, the University Architect, after conducting interviews with three candidate firms, determined the architectural firm M. Arthur Gensler Jr. & Associates, of Washington, D.C., was best qualified to provide architectural services on this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Steven Leath, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

1. Engage M. Arthur Gensler Jr. & Associates, of Washington, D.C., as project architect to consult in the development of the facility program and project design; and
2. Limit the project planning and design development to the schematic design phase until such time as the program requirements, budget, funding plan, and site are approved by the Board.

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RESOLUTION

JANE B. MOORE SOFTBALL COMPLEX PLAYER DEVELOPMENT IMPROVEMENTS  
APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT ARCHITECT SELECTION

WHEREAS, at its meeting of September 15, 2017, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Jane B. Moore Softball Complex Player Development Improvements project and authorized the commencement of the architect and construction manager selection processes; and

WHEREAS, the University Architect, after conducting interviews with three candidate firms,

determined the architectural firm Rosser International, of Atlanta, Georgia, was best qualified to provide architectural services on this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Steven Leath, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

1. Engage Rosser International, of Atlanta, Georgia, as project architect to consult in the development of the facility program and project design; and
2. Limit the project planning and design development to the schematic design phase until such time as the program requirements, budget, funding plan, and site are approved by the Board.

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## RESOLUTION

### AUBURN ARENA LOCKER ROOM ENHANCEMENT APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT ARCHITECT SELECTION

WHEREAS, at its meeting of September 15, 2017, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Auburn Arena Locker Room Enhancement project and authorized the commencement of the architect and construction manager selection processes; and

WHEREAS, the University Architect, after conducting interviews with three candidate firms, determined the architectural firm M. Arthur Gensler Jr. & Associates, of Washington, D.C., was best qualified to provide architectural services on this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Steven Leath, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

1. Engage M. Arthur Gensler Jr. & Associates, of Washington, D.C., as project architect to consult in the development of the facility program and project design; and
  2. Limit the project planning and design development to the schematic design phase until such time as the program requirements, budget, funding plan, and site are approved by the Board.
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RESOLUTION

POULTRY RESEARCH FARM UNIT RELOCATION PHASES III – VI  
APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND  
AUTHORIZATION TO COMMENCE THE PROJECT ARCHITECT  
SELECTION PROCESS

WHEREAS, as part of the 2005 North Auburn Master Land Use Plan, the University established the strategic goal to relocate the College of Agriculture Poultry Research Farm Unit from the Auburn University Research Park to the North Auburn Campus; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the master planning efforts, the Department of Poultry Science conducted a programming study to define the building requirements that would support the program's future growth at the North Auburn Campus and also determined that the relocation would be executed in several phases; and

WHEREAS, as part of the phased relocation initiative, the Department of Poultry Science has proposed the construction of the Poultry Research Farm Unit Relocation Phases III – VI within the Miller Poultry Research and Education Center; and

WHEREAS, the third phase is proposed to include a new 13,500 square foot facility dedicated to the advancement of research and educational efforts related to poultry food safety, food quality, animal welfare, processing efficiency, and other areas of study as it relates to Poultry Science; and

WHEREAS, the fourth and fifth phases are proposed to include new Poultry Barns and other buildings that will be similar and complementary to the Phase I project; and

WHEREAS, the sixth phase is proposed to demolish the existing Poultry Barns and other buildings within the existing Auburn University Research Park; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that this facility would be financed by a combination of College of Agriculture funds and University general funds; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is expected to cost in excess of \$1,000,000 and Board of Trustees policy stipulates that all construction and renovation/adaptation, infrastructure or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, must be submitted to the Board through the Property and Facilities Committee for action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the initiation of the new Poultry Research Farm Unit Relocation Phases III – VI projects are approved; and Steven Leath, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to commence the project architect selection processes.

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RESOLUTION  
GRADUATE BUSINESS BUILDING  
APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET INCREASE

WHEREAS, at its meeting on September 16, 2016, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution to approve a \$30.0 million project budget for the Graduate Business Building project; and

WHEREAS, after a comprehensive review of the academic, executive education, and student support programs within the Harbert College of Business, the proposed building size has increased to 105,000 square feet to include a new floor level with additional case study and hybrid classrooms, larger undergraduate and graduate student commons spaces, and office space; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the increase in size of the facility, the Graduate Business Building project is now estimated to cost \$45.0 million, thus necessitating a budget increase of \$15.0 million; and

WHEREAS, the requested budget increase of \$15.0 million will be financed by a combination of gift and University general funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the increased project budget for the Graduate Business Building project is approved, and Steven Leath, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to establish a total project budget in the amount of \$45.0 million to be funded by previously budgeted gift and University general funds.

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RESOLUTION  
ADVANCED STRUCTURAL TESTING LABORATORY  
APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND PROJECT ARCHITECT SELECTION

WHEREAS, the Samuel Ginn College of Engineering has proposed the construction of a new 39,000 square-foot facility which will provide state-of-the-art structural engineering testing capabilities with advanced testing equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Advanced Structural Testing Laboratory project will enable Auburn University's Samuel Ginn College of Engineering to promote economic growth through the development of new construction materials and structural designs; and

WHEREAS, the University Architect recommends the use of Chambless King Architects, of Montgomery, Alabama, to design the Advanced Structural Testing Laboratory project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is expected to cost in excess of \$1,000,000 and Board of Trustees policy stipulates that all construction and renovation/adaptation, infrastructure or outdoor facility projects with budgets of \$1,000,000 or more, must be submitted to the Board through the Property and Facilities Committee for action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the initiation of the Advanced Structural Testing Laboratory project is approved and that Steven Leath, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to:

1. Engage Chambless King Architects, of Montgomery, Alabama, as project architect to consult in the development of the facility program and project design; and
2. Limit the project planning and design development to the schematic design phase until such time as the program requirements, budget, funding plan, and site are approved by the Board.

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Executive Committee - - Chairperson Charles McCrary. Mr. McCrary called upon Dr. Leath for discussion of the first item, naming of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Dr. Leath informed everyone that an internal search was conducted by an appointed Provost Search Committee, Chaired by Dean Vini Nathan, that narrowed the search down to three internal candidates for interviewing. After completion of all three interviews, Dr. Leath decided to appoint Dr. Bill C. Hardgrave as the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Mr. McCrary asked for a motion to approve the resolution naming Dr. Hardgrave and a motion was received from Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mrs. Huntley, and the Board unanimously approved the following resolution:

#### RESOLUTION

##### NAMING OF PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, the President initiated a search to fill the position of Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; and

WHEREAS, having completed the search, President Leath is recommending that Dr. Bill C. Hardgrave be appointed as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the appointment by the President of Dr. Bill C. Hardgrave to the position of Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs is hereby approved effective January 1, 2018.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board pledges to him its full support and assistance.

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Dr. Leath called upon Dr. Hardgrave who thanked the Committee and everyone for their support. He informed everyone that he looks forward to working with them in the future.

Mr. McCrary then indicated that earlier the Board reviewed seven (7) namings and moved for adoption. A second was received from Mr. Roberts, and the following namings were unanimously approved:

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## RESOLUTION

### NAMING THE ACADEMIC ADVISING SUITE LOCATED ON THE MAIN FLOOR OF THE BROWN-KOPEL ENGINEERING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT CENTER AS THE BILL AND LANA MCNAIR ACADEMIC ADVISING SUITE

WHEREAS, Bill McNair graduated from Auburn University with a bachelor degree in electrical engineering in 1968, earned an MBA from Auburn University at Montgomery in 1977, and a master degree in management through Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Sloan Fellows program in 1986; and

WHEREAS, he began his career in 1968 in the telecommunications industry as an engineer with South Central Bell and had a 33-year career with the company in a variety of leadership positions in engineering, operations, and marketing, and retiring from BellSouth as vice president of network operations; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his professional achievements, he has been an active member of the Auburn Alumni Engineering Council, the College of Engineering Leadership Team, the Campaign Executive Committee, and the Auburn University Foundation Board; and

WHEREAS, he was inducted into the State of Alabama Engineering Hall of Fame in 2010, and has received the Distinguished Auburn Engineer award and the Department of Electrical Engineering Outstanding Alumni award; and

WHEREAS, Bill and Lana have remained committed to Auburn, previously establishing the Bill and Lana McNair Endowed Distinguished Professorship and supporting the Academic Excellence Program in the College of Engineering; and

WHEREAS, they are members of Engineering's Keystone, Ginn, and Eagles societies, as well as the University's 1856 and Samford societies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Academic Advising Suite located on the main floor of the Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center be named The Bill and Lana McNair Academic Advising Suite in honor of their generous support and ongoing dedication.

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## RESOLUTION

### NAMING THE NORTHEAST PAVILION LOCATED OUTSIDE THE MAIN FLOOR OF THE BROWN-KOPEL ENGINEERING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT CENTER AS THE NELDA LEE PAVILION

WHEREAS, Nelda Lee graduated from Auburn University with a bachelor degree in aerospace engineering in 1969, and earned a master degree in management and human resources development at Webster University in 1999; and

WHEREAS, she began her career as an associate engineer at Heritage McDonnell Douglas Corporation, where she became the first woman in flight test engineering at the company; and

WHEREAS, she worked her way from associate engineer to a senior manager position in charge of F-15 flight and ground test engineering and retired from Boeing in 2014 after a distinguished 45-year career; and

WHEREAS, Nelda is a founding member of Auburn Engineering's 100+ Women Strong Program, where she also serves in an *emeritus* role on the executive committee, and is an active member on the Aviation Management Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, she received the Department of Aerospace Engineering Outstanding Alumna award in 1996, the Woman of Distinction award from the Auburn Alumni Association in 2014, was inducted into the State of Alabama Engineering Hall of Fame in 2016, and received the Auburn University Alumni Association's Lifetime Achievement Award in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Nelda has remained committed to Auburn University and the Samuel Ginn College of Engineering, previously establishing the Nelda K. Lee Endowed Scholarship in the Department of Aerospace Engineering and the Nelda K. Lee Endowed Scholarship in the Aviation Center; and

WHEREAS, she is a member of the Engineering Ginn and Eagles societies, as well as the University's 1856 and Samford societies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northeast Pavilion located outside the main floor of the Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center be named The Nelda Lee Pavilion in honor of her generous support and ongoing dedication.

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RESOLUTION

NAMING THE SECOND FLOOR GENTLEMAN'S LOUNGE  
IN THE JAY AND SUSIE GOGUE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER  
AT AUBURN UNIVERSITY  
AS THE GENTLEMAN'S LOUNGE SPONSORED BY RICK N. WHITE

WHEREAS, Rick N. White graduated from Auburn University with a Bachelor of Science in Marketing; and

WHEREAS, Rick always has had an inclination towards the artistic and participated in show choir and design while enrolled at Auburn; and

WHEREAS, Rick feels the expression of one's ability to create art can take many forms, whether it be vocal, artistic, writing, dancing or even fashion; and

WHEREAS, Rick believes the Jay and Susie Gogue Performing Arts Center will be a place which all of these disciplines can come together and visitors can escape the outside world for a short time; and

WHEREAS, Rick currently is an associate broker with Prestige Properties in Auburn and is committed to the success of the community; and

WHEREAS, Rick made a significant gift to support this endeavor.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the second floor gentleman's lounge in the Jay and Susie Gogue Performing Arts Center at Auburn University shall be named The Gentleman's Lounge Sponsored by Rick N. White in recognition of his generous support of Auburn University and his devotion to the arts.

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RESOLUTION

NAMING THE AUBURN OAKS AT SAMFORD PARK

WHEREAS, for more than 80 years, the Auburn Oaks at Toomer's Corner majestically welcomed visitors and offered the Auburn Family a place to congregate and celebrate; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, Dr. Scott Enebak, a faculty member in the School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences, initiated a program to ensure the Auburn Oaks' legacy continued by having Forestry Club and Wildlife Society members cultivate acorns from the original trees; and

WHEREAS, as part of the redevelopment of Samford Park, ten of these descendant trees were planted in March, 2016; and

WHEREAS, philanthropic gifts made in honor of these trees established the Auburn Oaks at Samford Park Endowed Fund for Excellence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that two descendants of the original Auburn Oaks be named, in accordance with the terms outlined in the Auburn Oaks at Samford Park Endowed Fund for Excellence agreement, in honor of the Debs and Grace Rosse Family and the Lewis and Nancie Robinson Family by Darryl and Diane Rosser, whose support will advance the school's vision.

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## RESOLUTION

### NAMING THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND CORPORATE RELATIONS CONFERENCE ROOM LOCATED ON THE MAIN FLOOR OF THE BROWN-KOPEL ENGINEERING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT CENTER AS THE VULCAN MATERIALS CORPORATE CONFERENCE ROOM

WHEREAS, based in Birmingham, Alabama, and publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange, Vulcan Materials Co. is the nation's largest producer of construction aggregates — primarily crushed stone, sand and gravel — and a major producer of aggregate-based construction materials, including asphalt and ready-mixed concrete, and it serves 20 states, Washington D.C., the Bahamas and Mexico; and

WHEREAS, as a good corporate citizen, Vulcan Materials understands the importance of education in building stronger communities and establishing the next generation workforce by partnering with many educational institutions across the country through financial support and employee involvement, assisting schools and universities at all educational levels to provide a quality education; and

WHEREAS, Vulcan Materials has remained committed to Auburn University, previously establishing a significant annual scholarship in the Department of Geology and Geography and an endowed scholarship named the Vulcan Materials Company Presidential Honors Scholarship, while also making a generous contribution to the M. Miller Gorrie Center Construction in the College of Architecture, Design and Construction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Conference Room in the Professional Development and Corporate Relations Suite on the main floor of the Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center be named The Vulcan Materials Corporate Conference Room in honor of its generous support and ongoing dedication.

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RESOLUTION

NAMING THE GROUP STUDY ROOM LOCATED ON THE MAIN FLOOR  
OF THE BROWN-KOPEL ENGINEERING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT CENTER  
AS THE WILLIAM DEAS WEATHERFORD GROUP STUDY ROOM

WHEREAS, William Deas Weatherford received a bachelor degree in chemical engineering from Auburn — or Alabama Polytechnic Institute, as it then was known — in 1959; and

WHEREAS, as a U.S. Air Force ROTC cadet, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant, trained as a meteorologist, and received a bachelor degree in meteorology from Penn State University in 1960; and

WHEREAS, in 1962, after completing his active tour of duty in the Air Force, William joined Monsanto Company, a multinational agrochemical and agricultural biotechnology corporation, as a development engineer designing nylon product improvements and production of nylon tire yarn; and

WHEREAS, he developed special skills and knowledge of polymerization and contributed to catalyst and heat stabilizing additive systems that brought forth new, higher strength nylon fibers with superior properties; and

WHEREAS, he achieved the title of “Technologist,” which is indicative of his high level of competency and contribution, and he performed a major role in training and educating both engineers and chemical operators, as well as conducting presentations for internal technical forums and seminars, prior to his retirement from Monsanto in 1992; and

WHEREAS, the funding to establish this naming in memory of William was sponsored by his siblings, Thomas W. Weatherford III, '54 Veterinary Medicine; Eleanor W. May, '55 Home Economics; Virginia W. Watson, '62 mathematics and science; and Joseph D. Weatherford, '71 Civil Engineering.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Group Study Room located on the main floor of the Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center be named The William Deas Weatherford Group Study Room in his honor and memory.

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In addition to the foregoing six naming resolutions, the Board also approved the amendment of a previously approved naming resolution. At its meeting held on February 3, 2017, the board approved a resolution entitled “Naming the Southeaster Faculty Office on the third Floor of the School of Nursing as the Dr. kathy Jo Ellison Faculty Office.” As amended, the name for that office will now be the Kathy Jo and Davis Ellison Faculty Office.



Mr. DeMaioribus then asked Mr. McCrary and the Board if there were any other items. Mr. McCrary reminded everyone that at a future meeting of the board they will be happy to invite and recognize any of the donors for the significant contributions to Auburn University by presenting them with a framed resolution if requested.

Mr. DeMaioribus thanked Mr. McCrary for his report, and with there being no further items for review, Mr. DeMaioribus recessed the meeting at 11:38 a.m.



Grant Davis  
Secretary to the Board of Trustees