NC State Natural Resources Foundation, Inc. Board Meeting Open Session Minutes April 26, 2018

Members Present: Lewis Ledford, Chairman; Blas Arroyo, Elizabeth Biser, Lou Boos, Sam Cook, Lara Brown de Fuenmayor, Vicki Hardee, Dick Ludington, Barbara McCutchan, Charles Meeker, Mary Peloquin-Dodd, Dick Porterfield, Phil Rea, Ron Terry, Genie Ussery, Mary Watzin, Beth Wilson

Members Absent: Jim Bowen, Jim Buzzard, Chris Davidson, Hunter Jenkins, Harry Sideris

Others Present: Robin Banker, Emily Capps, Sarah Corica, Mike Dickerson, Scott Douglass, Myron Floyd, Tom Gower, Shane Jarvis, Marian McCord, Randy Newman, Jennifer Piercy, Jennifer Viets

Chair Ledford called the spring meeting to order at 1:06 p.m. at the Fort Macon State Park. He welcomed all present and introduced Elizabeth Biser and Charles Meeker to their first meeting as directors. Mr. Ledford announced Jim Bowen, Jim Buzzard, Chris Davidson, Hunter Jenkins and Harry Sideris had unavoidable conflicts. Mike Dickerson was welcomed back to assist with orientation. Mr. Ledford reminded members of the Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Policy.

Randy Newman, Park Superintendent for Fort Macon State Park, gave a presentation on Fort Macon. It included the impacts the park has on the community, the state, restoration of history, economics, tourism, recreation, and other data. He also shared information about events, programs, activities and trails at Fort Macon.

A presentation was given by Myron Floyd, NC State Department Head of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management. The presentation, "PRTM: Supporting State Parks through Teaching, Research, and Engagement," included research and teaching highlights and extension and continuing education opportunities. He discussed some of the nonprofit partnerships with PRTM and North Carolina's state parks and the impact our college is having. Dr. Floyd discussed degree programs, studies, the recreation resources service and leadership schools.

Dean Mary Watzin gave a college update. Highlights included:

- One page summary of Hofmann Forest and Hosley Forest
- New college personnel
- Diversity and inclusion
- Diversity activities and honors

- CNR Graduate Research Symposium
- PhD in Geospatial Analytics
- New STEM Program
- Building the bioeconomy: bioproducts, bioenergy, education and innovation
- Global engagement partnership NC State and Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences
- National Park Service honor
- TETHIS start up team

A financial orientation was presented by Emily Capps, Accountant in FAI (Foundations Accounting and Investments). She provided information on Board responsibilities and explained fiduciary responsibility, governance, internal controls, services overview, net assets of associated entities and University Endowment Fund, types of funds, Foundation general fund, investments, and endowments.

The meeting recessed at 4:00 p.m. until 8:30 a.m. Friday, April 27 followed by a tour of Fort Macon and a canon firing demonstration.

Respectfully submitted:

Vicki S. Hardee, Secretary

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