MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brad Hayes, Chair  Elizabeth Phillips
Charles Blackmon  Dean Priddy
Frances Bullock  Ward Russell
Mona Edwards  Susan Safran
Brittany Hudson  David Sprinkle
Randall R. Kaplan

OTHER MEMBERS AND GUESTS PRESENT:

Chancellor Frank D. Gilliam, Jr., Vice Chancellor Janis Zink, Chief of Staff Waiyi Tse, and other members of the administration, faculty, staff, and general public.

Chairman Brad Hayes called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m. and read the conflict of interest statement. No conflicts were noted.

The minutes of the December 3, 2015 meeting were approved as written.

Chairman Brad Hayes read the motion to go into closed session.

CLOSED SESSION

Service Award Nomination: Holderness-Weaver (Zink)

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro approve the nomination for the Holderness-Weaver Award.

All approved and the motion carried.

Service Award Nomination: McIver Medal (Zink)

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro approve the nomination for the McIver Medal.

All approved and the motion carried.

Chairman Brad Hayes motioned to return to open session.

OPEN SESSION
**Naming of Organ Hall (Zink)**

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro approve the Organ Hall naming proposal.

All approved and the motion carried.

**Aycock Naming Subcommittee Recommendation (Hayes)**

Prior to reading the recommendation, Chairman Brad Hayes outlined the history of the Aycock issue at UNCG:

- September 4, 2014, the BOT requested a committee be established to review the matter.
- January 28, 2015, the Aycock Ad-Hoc Committee was tasked with exploring the historical connection between Aycock and UNCG; monitoring the progress of other campuses considering renaming; researching the process followed by institutions that have faced similar controversies; providing opportunities for engaging the campus community on the issue; and, making recommendations to the BOT regarding options.
- The Ad-Hoc Committee held two public forums, created a website to provide extensive background information, and conducted a survey of UNCG’s constituents which garnered over 1,000 responses.
- May 6, 2015, the Ad-Hoc Committee presented its findings to the BOT. The committee was divided on the decision to retain or remove the Aycock name but was unanimous on the decision to install permanent educational markers to explore this complicated history.
- May 7, 2015, the BOT created the Aycock Naming Subcommittee to make a final recommendation to the Board.
- September 24, 2015, the Aycock Naming Subcommittee heard from a panel of internal and external subject matter experts on the history of Governor B. Aycock and the times in which he lived.
- November 5, 2015, the BOT authorized the university to begin designing the education installation.
- February 18, 2016, the Aycock Naming Subcommittee met to discuss the issue and determine its recommendation to the Board which reads: “The Subcommittee respectfully recommends that the auditorium facility no longer be named Aycock Auditorium. The Subcommittee finds that while Governor Charles B. Aycock had many accomplishments, Governor Aycock’s beliefs, actions, and resulting reputation related to matters of racial discrimination are contrary to the best interests of the University given its current mission and values.”

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro approve the recommendation by the Aycock Naming Subcommittee.

All approved and the motion carried.

Being no further business to report, Chairman Hayes adjourned the meeting at 3:12 p.m.
Respectfully submitted

Janis I. Zink
Vice Chancellor for University Advancement