

Clemson University
Clemson, South Carolina

MINUTES
State Crop Pest Commission
CLEMSON UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Teleconference/Web
April 3, 2024
9:45 a.m.

Call to Order

Notification as required by the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act was given at least twenty-four hours before the meeting by posting the notice and agenda on the bulletin board located on the ground floor public entrance of Sikes Hall, Clemson University and on the Clemson University Board of Trustees website. Additionally notice of, and the agenda for, the meeting was sent via email to the distribution list maintained by the Office of Media Relations which includes approximately 80 reporters and editors at the major daily newspapers, television and radio stations in S.C.

After notification as required by the Freedom of Information Act, Trustee Lynn called the meeting to order at 9:27 a.m. with the following present:

Commission Members: Louis Lynn, *Chair*; Patti McAbee and Nicky McCarter

Trustees: David Dukes, Cheri Phyfer-Kubu, Bill Smith, and Kim Wilkerson

Trustees Emeriti: J.J. Britton and Allen Wood

Administration: James P. Clements, *President*; Max Allen, *Vice President and Chief of Staff*; April Purvis, *Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees*; Chip Hood, *General Counsel and Special Advisor to the Board of Trustees*; Greg Yarrow, *Interim Dean of the College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences*

Guests: Steve Cole, *PSA Regulatory Services*; Jon Clayton, *CCIT*; Scott Smith, *CCIT*; Beth Crocker, *Office of the General Counsel*

Media: Caitlin Herrington, *Post and Courier*

April Purvis called roll of the commission. She noted a quorum was present.

Max Allen introduced media in attendance.

Approval Item: SC Boll Weevil Eradication Assessment Fees

Dr. Steve Cole, Director of PSA Regulatory, provided a brief overview of the boll weevil eradication assessment fees, which are used to support boll weevil monitoring efforts and to assist with eradication efforts if there should be an outbreak in SC. On March 12, 2024, the South Carolina Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation met and made a recommendation for the 2024 Boll Weevil assessment fee of \$1.25 per acre be assessed for the 2024 growing season. Dr. Cole presented the request to approve the 2024 South Carolina Boll Weevil assessment fee at \$1.25 per acre.

Trustee McCarter moved to approve the 2024 SC Boll Weevil assessment fee at \$1.25 per acre. Trustee McAbee seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Adjournment

There no being no further business, Trustee Lynn adjourned the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

April S. Purvis
April Purvis
Executive Secretary to the Board of Trustees

<u><i>April S. Purvis</i></u>	<u>10/15/24</u>
Approved	Date Approved