

**MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA (MUSC) BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 14, 2026**

The MUSC Board of Trustees convened on August 14, 2026, with the following members present: Charles Schulze, Chairman; Dr. Melvin Brown, Vice Chairman; Mrs. Terri Barnes; Mr. Jim Battle; Dr. Fritz Butehorn; Dr. Guy Castles; Dr. Richard Christian; Dr. Paul Davis; Dr. Don Johnson; Mrs. Barbara Johnson-Williams; Dr. James Lemon; Dr. Murrell Smith; Mr. Michael Stavrakis; Mr. Tom Stephenson; Mr. Bill Wiseman; and Dr. Bart Witherspoon.

Item 1. Call to Order.

There being a quorum present, Chairman Charles Schulze called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m. in the Colcock Hall Boardroom located at 19 Bee Street, Charleston, South Carolina.

Item 2. Roll Call for the MUHA and MUSC Board of Trustees.

Ms. Katherine Haltiwanger, Board Secretary, called the roll and stated that “in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), the notice of meetings and agendas were furnished to all news media and persons requesting notification.”

Item 3. Date of Next Regular Meeting.

Ms. Katherine Haltiwanger, Board Secretary, announced the date of the next regular meeting is October 9, 2026.

Item 4. Approval of Meeting Minutes.

Chairman Charles Schulze called for a motion to approve the minutes of April 27, April 29, May 14, May 15, June 3, June 18, June 19, and July 28, 2026.

Board Action: Vice Chairman Melvin Brown made a motion to approve; the motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Item 5. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman of MUHA and MUSC Board of Trustees.

Chairman Charles Schulze announced that the election for the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the MUSC and MUHA Board of Trustees was taking place.

Chairman Schulze asked for nominations for the position of Chairman. Dr. Don Johnson nominated Mr. Charles Schulze.

Board Action: Dr. Don Johnson made a motion to approve Mr. Charles Schulze for the position of Chairman; the motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Chairman Schulze then asked for nominations for the position of Vice Chairman. Mrs. Terri Barnes nominated Dr. Richard Christian.

Board Action: Mrs. Terri Barnes made a motion to approve Dr. Richard Christian for the position of Vice Chairman; the motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

GENERAL INFORMATIONAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Item 6. General Informational Report of the President.

Dr. David Cole, MUSC President, provided an overview of MUSC's enterprise-wide progress, noting that the institution continues to advance its long-term aspiration of becoming a nationally recognized top 20 academic health system while helping South Carolina improve to top 20 in health outcomes. He explained that leadership has spent the past year developing measurable five-year and 20-year goals aligned with the approved OneMUSC strategic plan, which focuses on empowering healthy communities, driving innovation and health transformation, and reshaping the future workforce. Key areas of focus include cancer, maternal and fetal health, quality outcomes, research growth, workforce development, and statewide access to care. He highlighted strong performance across MUSC's missions, including a system mortality rate of 0.73 compared to a national average of 0.93, improved patient safety results, continued financial strength, and growth to an approximately \$10.1 billion organization. MUSC also reported \$411 million in research expenditures, 27 newly recruited funded investigators, 193 invention disclosures, 17 startup companies, and national recognition among the top 10 in cell and gene therapy innovation. Dr. Cole emphasized that these achievements reflect the collective work of MUSC's leaders, employees, clinicians, researchers, and partners, and demonstrate measurable progress in quality, innovation, and enterprise integration. Dr. Cole also reviewed efforts to expand access and prepare for the future, including investments in artificial intelligence, the development of an AI-competent workforce, the AI health consortium partnership with the University of Florida, the health sciences early college pipeline program, increased academic enrollment, enhanced employee support through Allyra Health, and continued expansion of services across South Carolina. He noted major milestones such as state legislative support for the comprehensive cancer hospital, MUSC's 12th consecutive year as the No. 1 hospital in South Carolina, expanded virtual primary care and rural access initiatives, growth in pediatric and burn care services, and new facilities and partnerships across the state. He concluded that MUSC is performing at its highest level across education, research, and clinical care, while continuing to tell its story and build momentum through the commitment of its people.

Board Action: Received as information.

Item 7. Other Business.

None.

RESEARCH AND INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE: MR. MICHAEL STAVRINAKIS, CHAIRMAN (Detailed committee minutes attached.)

Item 8. Office of Research Report.

Mr. Michael Stavrinakis reported that Dr. Timothy Stemmler, Vice President for Research, gave a brief update on research activities and Dr. Howard Becker, Director of the Charleston Alcohol Research Center, presented on alcohol use disorder.

Board Action: Received as information.

Item 9. MUSC Foundation Report.

Mr. Michael Stavrinakis reported that Mrs. Jan McCrary, Chair of MUSC's Foundation Board, provided a brief update on MUSC Foundation events.

Board Action: Received as information.

Item 10. Other Committee Business.

None.

EDUCATION, FACULTY, AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: MRS. BARBARA JOHNSON-WILLIAMS, CHAIR
(Detailed committee minutes attached.)

Item 11. New Program for Approval: MS in Health Information Management and Cybersecurity.

On behalf of the Committee, Mrs. Barbara Johnson-Williams made a motion to approve the new program proposal for Master of Science in Health Information Management and Cybersecurity.

Board Action: The motion was unanimously carried.

Item 12. New Program for Approval: MUSC College of Nursing and College of Charleston Joint BSN Program.

On behalf of the Committee, Mrs. Barbara Johnson-Williams made a motion to approve the new program proposal for the MUSC College of Nursing and College of Charleston Joint BSN Program.

Board Action: The motion was unanimously carried.

Item 13. Other Committee Business.

None.

MUSC AND MUHA FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE: MR. JIM BATTLE, CHAIRMAN
(Detailed committee minutes attached.)

Item 14. Item removed.

Item 15. Item removed.

Item 16. MUSC Integrated Academic Health System Financial Report.

Mr. Jim Battle reported that Mr. Doug Lischke, Chief Financial Officer, MUSC Health, gave the integrated academic health system financial report for the twelve-month period ending June 30, 2026.

Board Action: Received as information.

Item 17. MUSC Health FY2027 Operating and Capital Budgets for Approval.

On behalf of the MUHA Finance and Administration Committee, Mr. Jim Battle made a motion to approve the FY2027 operating and capital budgets for MUSC Health.

Board Action: The motion was unanimously carried.

Item 18. Resolution Approving Precommitment Work for Cancer Hospital.

On behalf of the MUHA Finance and Administration Committee, Mr. Jim Battle made a motion to approve the resolution approving precommitment work for the Comprehensive Cancer Hospital.

Board Action: The motion was unanimously carried.

Item 19. Resolution Approving Reimbursement for Cancer Hospital Expenditures.

On behalf of the MUHA Finance and Administration Committee, Mr. Jim Battle made a motion to approve the resolution approving reimbursement for Comprehensive Cancer Hospital expenditures.

Board Action: The motion was unanimously carried.

Item 20. MUSC Financial Report.

Mr. Jim Battle reported that Mrs. Susie Edwards, Chief Financial Officer, MUSC, gave the MUSC financial report for twelve-month period ending June 30, 2026.

Board Action: Received as information.

Item 21. MUSC FY2027 Operating and Capital Budgets for Approval.

On behalf of the MUSC Finance and Administration Committee, Mr. Jim Battle made a motion to approve the FY2027 operating and capital budgets for MUSC.

Board Action: The motion was unanimously carried.

Item 22. Other Committee Business.

None.

HOLLINGS CANCER CENTER COMMITTEE: DR. DON JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN
(Detailed committee minutes attached.)

Item 23. Hollings Cancer Center Update.

Dr. Don Johnson reported that Dr. Ray DuBois, Director of the Hollings Cancer Center, gave updates on progress toward achieving comprehensive NCI status, faculty spotlight, research, and recruitment. Dr. Jason Newman, Cancer ICCE Chief, and Ms. Kristin Mensonides, Cancer ICCE System Administrative Officer, reported on clinical trials KSO; growth driving cancer hospital and across the regions; and physician recruitment updates.

Board Action: Received as information.

Item 24. New Cancer Hospital Update.

Dr. Don Johnson reported that Mr. Adam Bacik, Chief Executive Officer of the Comprehensive Cancer Hospital, gave an update on the Cancer Hospital Committee's activities and progress on the new Comprehensive Cancer Hospital.

Board Action: Received as information.

Item 24.1 Approval of Naming Opportunity Inventory for Cancer Hospital.

On behalf of the Committee Dr. Don Johnson made a motion to approve the naming opportunity inventory for the new Comprehensive Cancer Hospital.

Board Action: The motion was unanimously carried.

Item 25. Other Committee Business.

None.

OTHER BUSINESS FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Item 26. Approval of Hire Presidential Search Firm.

Chairman Charles Schulze made a motion to approve the hiring of Russell Reynolds Associates for the MUSC Presidential search.

Board Action: The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Item 27. Presidential Search Committee Update.

Dr. James Lemon, Chairman, MUSC Presidential Search Committee, reported that the Committee has convened twice to date. The position has been posted and Russell Reynolds Associates, the selected executive recruitment firm, is actively reviewing and vetting potential candidates. He will continue to provide updates at future Board meetings.

Board Action: Received as information.

Item 28. Approval of Consent Agenda.

Chairman Charles Schulze called for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Board Action: Vice Chairman Melvin Brown made a motion to approve; the motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Item 29. Executive Session.

On Thursday, August 13, 2026, Vice Chairman Melvin Brown made a motion to move into closed session to discuss personnel matters; strategic competitive information and trade secrets; security; receipt of legal advice and matters covered by the attorney/client privilege; negotiation of contracts related to the purchase of real property in Chester County; and the expansion of clinical services.

Board Action: The motion was seconded and unanimously carried. The Board of Trustees moved into closed session following the MUHA and MUSC Board of Trustees Committee presentation and reports.

On Friday, August 14, 2026, Vice Chairman Melvin Brown made a motion to move into closed session to discuss strategic competitive information and trade secrets.

Board Action: The motion was seconded and unanimously carried. The Board of Trustees moved into closed session following the MUHA and MUSC Board of Trustees presentations and reports.

Item 30. New Business for the Board of Trustees.

None.

Item 31. Report from the Chairman.

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESEARCH AND INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE: MR. MICHAEL STAVRINAKIS, CHAIRMAN

Item 32. MUSC Foundation Fundraising Report.

The MUSC Foundation fundraising report was provided for information.

Board Action: Received as information.

EDUCATION, FACULTY, AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: MRS. BARBARA JOHNSON-WILLIAMS, CHAIR

Item 33. Distinguished University Professor(s).

Approval was requested for the following distinguished university professor appointment:

Barbel M. Rohrer, Ph.D., Professor in the College of Medicine, Department of Ophthalmology as Distinguished University Professor, effective August 14, 2026.

Board Action: On behalf of the Committee, Mrs. Barbara Johnson-Williams made a motion to approve. The Consent Agenda was approved in its entirety under Item 28.

Item 34. Endowed Chair(s).

Approval was requested for the following endowed chair appointments:

College of Medicine

Vanessa Hinson, M.D., Ph.D., Professor in our Department of Neurology, for appointment to the Christian H. Douglas Parkinson's & Movement Disorders Endowed Chair effective July 1, 2026.

Sami Al Kasab, M.D., Associate Professor in our Departments of Neurosurgery and Neurology, to the SmartState MUSC Endowed Chair in Stroke, effective date of January 1, 2027.

Sungjin Ko, DVM, Ph.D., as Associate Professor, for the appointment of the Cathey and Joe Leitch Cancer Research Endowed Chair, effective September 1, 2026.

Aziza Nassar, MBBS, MPH, MBA, as Professor in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine for appointment to the M. Tucker and Elizabeth Lucius Laffitte Family Endowed Chair, effective August 1, 2026.

Alejandro "Alex" Spiotta, M.D., Professor in the Department of Neurosurgery, for appointment to the Sunil J. Patel Neurosurgery Endowed Chair effective July 1, 2026. For information, Dr. Spiotta will also serve as Chair of the Department of Neurosurgery.

Board Action: On behalf of the Committee, Mrs. Barbara Johnson-Williams made a motion to approve. The Consent Agenda was approved in its entirety under Item 28.

Item 35. Change in Faculty Status.

Approval was requested for the following change in faculty status:

College of Medicine

Mulugeta Gebregziabher, Ph.D., Professor to Adjunct Professor, in the Department of Public Health Sciences, effective July 31, 2026.

Anbukarasi Maran, MBBS, Associate Professor to Affiliate Associate Professor, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, effective May 27, 2026.

Lacey MenkinSmith, M.D., MSc, Associate Professor to Affiliate Associate Professor, in the Department of Emergency Medicine, effective July 1, 2026.

David J. Taber, Pharm.D., MS, Professor to Affiliate Professor, in the Department of Surgery, Division of Transplant Surgery, effective April 18, 2026.

Brandon Welch, Ph.D., Research Associate Professor to Affiliate Associate Professor, in the Department of Public Health Sciences, effective July 1, 2026.

Board Action: On behalf of the Committee, Mrs. Barbara Johnson-Williams made a motion to approve. The Consent Agenda was approved in its entirety under Item 28.

Item 36. Faculty Emeriti.

Approval was requested for the following faculty emeriti appointments:

College of Health Professions

Terry Hopkins-Rossabi, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, BCS-S, Emerita Associate Professor, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, Division of Speech-Language Pathology, effective July 1, 2026.

College of Medicine

Joseph R. Cantey, M.D., Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases, effective July 1, 2026.

K. Michael Cummings, Ph.D., MPH, Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Addiction Sciences Division, and the Department of Public Health Sciences, effective February 1, 2027.

James L. Glenn, M.D., Assistant Professor to Assistant Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, effective May 1, 2026.

Kimberly Gronsman Lee, M.D., Clinical Professor to Professor Emerita, in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Neonatology, effective April 7, 2026.

Kathie L. Hermayer, M.D., MS, Professor to Professor Emerita, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Endocrinology, effective August 1, 2026.

Soonho Kwon, M.D., MS, Clinical Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Endocrinology, effective August 1, 2026.

Donald R. Menick, Ph.D., Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, effective July 1, 2026.

Lisa Steed, Ph.D., Professor to Professor Emerita, in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine and the Department of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases, effective October 2, 2026.

Myra Haney Singleton, EdD, Research Assistant Professor to Assistant Professor Emerita, in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Mental Health Disparities Program, effective July 3, 2026.

Kenneth D. Tew, Ph.D., DSc, Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Pharmacology and Immunology, effective August 1, 2026.

College of Pharmacy

Shannon Drayton, Pharm.D., Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Clinical Pharmacy and Outcome Sciences, effective September 1, 2026.

John Lemasters, M.D., Ph.D., Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Drug Discovery and Biomedical Sciences, effective July 1, 2026.

Anna-Liisa Nieminen, Ph.D., Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Drug Discovery and Biomedical Sciences, effective July 1, 2026.

Board Action: On behalf of the Committee, Mrs. Barbara Johnson-Williams made a motion to approve. The Consent Agenda was approved in its entirety under Item 28.

Item 37. Faculty Appointment(s).

Approval was requested for the following faculty appointments:

College of Health Professions

Karen Ratcliff, Ph.D., OTR, BCP, Associate Professor, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, Division of Occupational Therapy - Hybrid, effective July 1, 2026.

Gouri Gupte, Ph.D., MHA, BA, BHMS, Associate Professor, Department of Healthcare Leadership & Management, effective August 1, 2026.

Ashley Parks, DrPH, MBA, MTech, MPH, BS, Associate Professor, Department of Healthcare Leadership & Management, effective July 1, 2026.

College of Medicine

Scott C. Carter, M.D., as Associate Professor, on the Clinician Educator track, in the Department of Radiology and Radiological Science, effective August 1, 2026.

Kevin Webster Dickey, M.D., as Clinical Professor, in the Department of Radiology and Radiological Science, effective July 1, 2026.

Mark R. Gilbert, M.D., as Affiliate Professor, in the Department of Neurosurgery, effective July 1, 2026.

Sungjin Ko, DVM, Ph.D., as Associate Professor, on the Academic Investigator track, in the Department of Regenerative Medicine and Cell Biology, effective September 1, 2026. Dr. Ko will also hold the Cathey and Joe Leitch Cancer Research Endowed Chair.

John A. Libertino, M.D., as Adjunct Professor, in the Department of Urology, effective July 1, 2026.

Jennifer N. Longoria, Ph.D., as Associate Professor, on the Clinician Educator track, in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics effective June 1, 2026.

Carla Zanatta Minutti, M.D., as Professor, on the Clinician Educator track, in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Endocrinology, effective February 1, 2026.

Sarah Money, M.D., MBA, as Affiliate Associate Professor, in the Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative Medicine, effective July 1, 2026.

Aziza Nassar, MBBS, MPH, MBA, as Professor with Tenure, on the Academic Clinician track, in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, effective August 1, 2026. Dr. Nassar will also serve as the Chair of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine.

Karen C. Patterson, M.D., Ph.D., as Associate Professor, on the Academic Clinician track, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care, effective October 1, 2026.

Gregory Jay Pomper, M.D., as Professor, on the Clinician Educator track, in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, effective April 27, 2026.

Sharon R. Smith, M.D., as Professor, on the Clinician Educator track, in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Emergency Medicine, effective February 1, 2026.

Chelsey Baldwin Teschner, M.D., as Associate Professor, on the Clinician Educator track, in the Dept of Medicine, Division of Endocrinology, effective August 1, 2026.

Brian L. Wolfe, M.D., as Clinical Associate Professor, in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Cardiology, effective September 14, 2026.

Megan V. Yanik, M.D., MSPH, as Clinical Associate Professor, in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Nephrology, effective March 9, 2026.

James B. Edwards College of Dental Medicine

Maged Abdelaal, BDS, MDS, MS, as Associate Professor in the Department of Reconstructive and Rehabilitation Sciences, effective August 17, 2026. Dr. Abdelaal will also serve as Chair of the Department of Reconstructive and Rehabilitation Sciences.

Felix Amarista, D.D.S., as Associate Professor in the Department of Advanced Specialty Sciences, Division of Surgical Services and Applied Technology, effective July 1, 2026.

Maria “Andrea” Bordoy Soto, D.D.S., as a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Advanced Specialty Sciences, Division of Surgical Services and Applied Technology, effective July 1, 2026.

Hanan Elgendy, BDS, MS, as Associate Professor, in the Department of Biomedical and Community Health Sciences, Division of Population Oral Health, effective August 17, 2026.

Pinelopi Xenoudi, D.D.S., MS, MHA, as Professor in the Department of Advanced Specialty Sciences, Division of Regenerative Services and Periodontology, effective July 1, 2026. Dr. Xenoudi will also serve as the Associate Dean for Academic and Student Affairs.

Board Action: On behalf of the Committee, Mrs. Barbara Johnson-Williams made a motion to approve. The Consent Agenda was approved in its entirety under Item 28.

Item 38. Faculty Tenure.

Approval was requested for the following faculty tenure appointment:

College of Medicine

Aziza Nassar, MBBS, MPH, MBA, as Professor with Tenure, on the Academic Clinician track, in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, effective August 1, 2026. Dr. Nassar will also serve as the Chair of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine.

Board Action: On behalf of the Committee, Mrs. Barbara Johnson-Williams made a motion to approve. The Consent Agenda was approved in its entirety under Item 28.

Item 39. Faculty Promotion(s) effective July 1, 2026.

Approval was requested for the following faculty promotions:

Academic Affairs Faculty

From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor

Erick Lemon, MSIT, Academic Affairs Faculty.

College of Medicine

From Associate Professor to Professor, Academic Investigator track

Azizul Haque, Ph.D., Department of Pharmacology and Immunology; dual in Department of Neurosurgery.

From Associate Professor to Professor, Clinician Educator track

Lillian M. Christon, Ph.D., Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Division of Bio-Behavioral Medicine; Joint appointment in the College of Health Professions, Department of Clinical Sciences.

Marc E. Heincelman, M.D., MPH, Department of Medicine, Division of Hospital Medicine.

Seth Thomas Stalcup, M.D., Department of Radiology and Radiological Science.

From Clinical Associate Professor to Clinical Professor, Modified Clinical track

Lindsey C. Cox, M.D., Department of Urology.

Dalila Watford Lewis, M.D., Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Neurology.

From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Academic Investigator track

Amy Christine Engevik, Ph.D., Department of Regenerative Medicine and Cell Biology.

From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Academic Investigator/Educator track

Annamarie Carter Dalton, Ph.D., Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.

From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Academic Clinician track
Austin M. Hahn, Ph.D., Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences,
Addiction Sciences Division.

Emily Adah Rosenberg, M.D., Department of Medicine, Division of Endocrinology.

From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Clinician Educator track
Amanda Bunnell, M.D., Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative Medicine.

David Brian Carroll, Jr., D.O., Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative
Medicine.

Amanda L. Faulkner, M.D., MBA, Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative
Medicine; dual in the Department of Neurosurgery.

Andrew D. Fisher, M.D., Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative Medicine.

Stephanie Gaydos, M.D., Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Cardiology;
dual in the Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology.

Chadi Hajar, M.D., MBA, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine.

Kathleen Claire Head (Ostapkovich), M.D., MS, MPH, Department of Pediatrics,
Division of General Pediatrics; dual in the Department of Medicine, Division of
General Internal Medicine.

Kathryn Wulbern Koval, M.D., MPH, Department of Emergency Medicine.

Anne M. Kroman, D.O., Ph.D., Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology.

Mike M. Mallah, M.D., Department of Surgery, Division of General and Acute Care
Surgery.

Sarah Tucker Marrison (Price), M.D., Ph.D., Department of Family Medicine.

Jeffrey Devon McMurray, M.D., Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative
Medicine.

Rishi Ashok Patel, M.D., Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative Medicine.

Denise Sese, M.D., Department of Medicine, Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care
Medicine.

Purabi Sonowal, MBBS, M.D., Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric
Neurology.

Carmine Suppa, D.O., Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric
Gastroenterology.

Pritee Tarwade, MBBS, Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative Medicine.

Ashley Arana Waring, M.D., Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology.

Jordan S. Whatley, M.D., Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology.

Lidia B.C. Yamada, M.D., Department of Neurology.

From Clinical Assistant Professor to Clinical Associate Professor, Modified Clinical track

Christine Canivan, M.D., Department of Pediatrics, Division of Children's Care Network.

Patrick J. Coyne, MSN, Department of Medicine, Division of General Internal Medicine.

Graciela B. De Jesús, M.D., Department of Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery.

Karen Brian Fernandez, M.D., Department of Ophthalmology.

Alexis Garcia Gray, Ph.D., Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Division; dual in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics.

Vijay Renga, MBBS, M.D., Department of Neurology.

From MUSC AHEC Associate Professor to MUSC AHEC Professor

Michael G. Mount, D.O., (Spartanburg/Surgery), effective July 1, 2026.

From MUSC AHEC Assistant Professor to MUSC AHEC Associate Professor

Brandon Scott Davis, M.D., (Spartanburg/Internal Medicine), effective July 1, 2026.

Emily Roger Delmas, M.D., (Spartanburg/Surgery), effective July 1, 2026.

Board Action: On behalf of the Committee, Mrs. Barbara Johnson-Williams made a motion to approve. The Consent Agenda was approved in its entirety under Item 28.

MUSC AND MUHA FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE: MR. JIM BATTLE, CHAIRMAN

Item 40. MUSC Physicians FY2027 Capital Budget.

The FY2027 capital budget for MUSC Physicians was presented for approval.

Board Action: On behalf of the MUSC and MUHA Finance and Administration Committee, Mr. Jim Battle made a motion to approve. The Consent Agenda was approved in its entirety under Item 28.

Item 40.1 MUSC Physicians FY2027 Operating Budget.

The FY2027 operating budget for MUSC Physicians was presented for information.

Board Action: Received as information.

Item 41. MUSC Physicians and MUSC Health Partners Financial Report.

The MUSC Physicians and MUSC Health Partners financial report through June 30, 2026, was provided for information.

Board Action: Received as information.

Item 42. FY2026 MUSC Purchased Services Spend >\$1M.

A summary through June 30, 2026, of MUSC purchased services spend greater than \$1M was provided for information.

Board Action: Received as information.

There being no further business, the meeting of the MUSC Board of Trustees was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine S. Halthiwanger

Board Secretary

Research and Institutional Advancement Committee Minutes
August 13, 2026

Item 8. Office of Research Report.

Dr. Timothy Stemmler, Vice President for Research, reported on continued research growth, highlighted by major non-corporate and corporate awards, including the \$36 million MUSC Campus Connector Bridges Project, AI consortium funding, renewed Charleston Alcohol Research Center (ARC) support, and oncology and cardiometabolic clinical trials. He noted regional research expansion from FY2022 to FY2026, with 3,000 studies reviewed across six regional sites, 185 approvals, and 108 activated studies supporting rural South Carolina health priorities. Dr. Stemmler also summarized Research I3 infrastructure progress, including the biorepository freezer farm, standardized inventory management, 3T MRI approval, imaging assessments, mass spectrometry facility activation, biomedical informatics work, and planning for a Citadel Mall clinical trials unit. He highlighted renewed public engagement through the revived Science Café series.

Dr. Howard Becker, Director, ARC at MUSC, presented an overview of the ARC and the significant public health burden of alcohol misuse. Alcohol use disorder remains highly prevalent and is a leading preventable cause of death, contributing to more than two hundred diseases and conditions, including liver disease, cancers, and cardiovascular, gastrointestinal, respiratory, neurological, and mental health disorders. ARC is a multidisciplinary, integrative, and translational research center that advances science from basic discovery to clinical application. He noted that the center has strengthened alcohol-related research across MUSC, engaging investigators from all six MUSC colleges. He highlighted the ARC Pilot Core Program, which has supported 57 pilot projects. These efforts have led to thirty-eight externally funded grants, while MUSC alcohol-related research funding exceeded \$61 million from 2020 to 2024. Dr. Becker reviewed ARC's structure and research focus on how alcohol alters brain chemistry and neural circuits related to excessive drinking, relapse vulnerability, and cognitive impairment. He emphasized the center's integrated, collaborative approach to translating discoveries from the laboratory to clinical trials and patient care. He concluded with a discussion of the center's collaborations with the Hollings Cancer Center, Charleston Opioid Center on Addiction, Veterans Affairs Medical Center, and other programs.

Committee Action: Received as information.

Item 9. MUSC Foundation Report.

Mr. Stuart Ames, Chief Executive Officer of the MUSC Foundation, introduced Mrs. Jan McCrary, the Chair of the MUSC Foundation Board, who has served on the Board for the past 10 years. Mrs. McCrary extended invitations to members of the Board of Trustees to several upcoming MUSC Foundation events.

Committee Action: Received as information.

Item 10. Other Committee Business.

None.

Consent Agenda

Item 32. MUSC Foundation Fundraising Report.

The MUSC Foundation fundraising report was provided for information.

Committee Action: Received as information.

There being no further business, the committee meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Carla Stipe

Office of Research

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Item 11. New Program for Approval: MS in Health Information Management and Cybersecurity.

Dr. John Marymont, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, presented for approval a new program proposal for Master of Science in Health Information Management and Cybersecurity.

Committee Action: Recommended approval.

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Dr. John Marymont, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, presented for approval a new program proposal for the MUSC College of Nursing and College of Charleston Joint BSN Program.

Committee Action: Recommended approval.

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College of Medicine

Mulugeta Gebregziabher, Ph.D., Professor to Adjunct Professor, in the Department of Public Health Sciences, effective July 31, 2026.

Anbukarasi Maran, MBBS, Associate Professor to Affiliate Associate Professor, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, effective May 27, 2026.

Lacey MenkinSmith, M.D., MSc, Associate Professor to Affiliate Associate Professor, in the Department of Emergency Medicine, effective July 1, 2026.

David J. Taber, Pharm.D., MS, Professor to Affiliate Professor, in the Department of Surgery, Division of Transplant Surgery, effective April 18, 2026.

Brandon Welch, Ph.D., Research Associate Professor to Affiliate Associate Professor, in the Department of Public Health Sciences, effective July 1, 2026.

Committee Action: Recommended approval.

Item 36. Faculty Emeriti.

Approval was requested for the following faculty emeriti appointments:

College of Health Professions

Terry Hopkins-Rossabi, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, BCS-S, Emerita Associate Professor, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, Division of Speech-Language Pathology, effective July 1, 2026.

College of Medicine

Joseph R. Cantey, M.D., Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases, effective July 1, 2026.

K. Michael Cummings, Ph.D., MPH, Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Addiction Sciences Division, and the Department of Public Health Sciences, effective February 1, 2027.

James L. Glenn, M.D., Assistant Professor to Assistant Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, effective May 1, 2026.

Kimberly Gronsman Lee, M.D., Clinical Professor to Professor Emerita, in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Neonatology, effective April 7, 2026.

Kathie L. Hermayer, M.D., MS, Professor to Professor Emerita, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Endocrinology, effective August 1, 2026.

Soonho Kwon, M.D., MS, Clinical Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Endocrinology, effective August 1, 2026.

Donald R. Menick, Ph.D., Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, effective July 1, 2026.

Lisa Steed, Ph.D., Professor to Professor Emerita, in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine and the Department of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases, effective October 2, 2026.

Myra Haney Singleton, EdD, Research Assistant Professor to Assistant Professor Emerita, in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Mental Health Disparities Program, effective July 3, 2026.

Kenneth D. Tew, Ph.D., DSc, Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Pharmacology and Immunology, effective August 1, 2026.

College of Pharmacy

Shannon Drayton, Pharm.D., Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Clinical Pharmacy and Outcome Sciences, effective September 1, 2026.

John Lemasters, M.D., Ph.D., Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Drug Discovery and Biomedical Sciences, effective July 1, 2026.

Anna-Liisa Nieminen, Ph.D., Professor to Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Drug Discovery and Biomedical Sciences, effective July 1, 2026.

Committee Action: Recommended approval.

Item 37. Faculty Appointment(s).

Approval was requested for the following faculty appointments:

College of Health Professions

Karen Ratcliff, Ph.D., OTR, BCP, Associate Professor, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, Division of Occupational Therapy - Hybrid, effective July 1, 2026.

Gouri Gupte, Ph.D., MHA, BA, BHMS, Associate Professor, Department of Healthcare Leadership & Management, effective August 1, 2026.

Ashley Parks, DrPH, MBA, MTech, MPH, BS, Associate Professor, Department of Healthcare Leadership & Management, effective July 1, 2026.

College of Medicine

Scott C. Carter, M.D., as Associate Professor, on the Clinician Educator track, in the Department of Radiology and Radiological Science, effective August 1, 2026.

Kevin Webster Dickey, M.D., as Clinical Professor, in the Department of Radiology and Radiological Science, effective July 1, 2026.

Mark R. Gilbert, M.D., as Affiliate Professor, in the Department of Neurosurgery, effective July 1, 2026.

Sungjin Ko, DVM, Ph.D., as Associate Professor, on the Academic Investigator track, in the Department of Regenerative Medicine and Cell Biology, effective September 1, 2026. Dr. Ko will also hold the Cathey and Joe Leitch Cancer Research Endowed Chair.

John A. Libertino, M.D., as Adjunct Professor, in the Department of Urology, effective July 1, 2026.

Jennifer N. Longoria, Ph.D., as Associate Professor, on the Clinician Educator track, in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics effective June 1, 2026.

Carla Zanatta Minutti, M.D., as Professor, on the Clinician Educator track, in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Endocrinology, effective February 1, 2026.

Sarah Money, M.D., MBA, as Affiliate Associate Professor, in the Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative Medicine, effective July 1, 2026.

Aziza Nassar, MBBS, MPH, MBA, as Professor with Tenure, on the Academic Clinician track, in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, effective August 1, 2026. Dr. Nassar will also serve as the Chair of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine.

Karen C. Patterson, M.D., Ph.D., as Associate Professor, on the Academic Clinician track, in the Department of Medicine, Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care, effective October 1, 2026.

Gregory Jay Pomper, M.D., as Professor, on the Clinician Educator track, in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, effective April 27, 2026.

Sharon R. Smith, M.D., as Professor, on the Clinician Educator track, in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Emergency Medicine, effective February 1, 2026.

Chelsey Baldwin Teschner, M.D., as Associate Professor, on the Clinician Educator track, in the Dept. of Medicine, Div. of Endocrinology, effective August 1, 2026.

Brian L. Wolfe, M.D., as Clinical Associate Professor, in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Cardiology, effective September 14, 2026.

Megan V. Yanik, M.D., MSPH, as Clinical Associate Professor, in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Nephrology, effective March 9, 2026.

James B. Edwards College of Dental Medicine

Maged Abdelaal, BDS, MDS, MS, as Associate Professor in the Department of Reconstructive and Rehabilitation Sciences, effective August 17, 2026. Dr. Abdelaal will also serve as Chair of the Department of Reconstructive and Rehabilitation Sciences.

Felix Amarista, D.D.S., as Associate Professor in the Department of Advanced Specialty Sciences, Division of Surgical Services and Applied Technology, effective July 1, 2026.

Maria “Andrea” Bordoy Soto, D.D.S., as a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Advanced Specialty Sciences, Division of Surgical Services and Applied Technology, effective July 1, 2026.

Hanan Elgendy, BDS, MS, as Associate Professor, in the Department of Biomedical and Community Health Sciences, Division of Population Oral Health, effective August 17, 2026.

Pinelopi Xenoudi, D.D.S., MS, MHA, as Professor in the Department of Advanced Specialty Sciences, Division of Regenerative Services and Periodontology, effective July 1, 2026. Dr. Xenoudi will also serve as the Associate Dean for Academic and Student Affairs.

Committee Action: Recommended approval.

Item 38. Faculty Tenure.

Approval was requested for the following faculty tenure appointment:

College of Medicine

Aziza Nassar, MBBS, MPH, MBA, as Professor with Tenure, on the Academic Clinician track, in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, effective August 1, 2026. Dr. Nassar will also serve as the Chair of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine.

Committee Action: Recommended approval.

Item 39. Faculty Promotion(s) effective July 1, 2026.

Approval was requested for the following faculty promotions:

Academic Affairs Faculty

From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor

Erick Lemon, MSIT, Academic Affairs Faculty.

College of Medicine

From Associate Professor to Professor, Academic Investigator track

Azizul Haque, Ph.D., Department of Pharmacology and Immunology; dual in Department of Neurosurgery.

From Associate Professor to Professor, Clinician Educator track

Lillian M. Christon, Ph.D., Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Division of Bio-Behavioral Medicine; Joint appointment in the College of Health Professions, Department of Clinical Sciences.

Marc E. Heincelman, M.D., MPH, Department of Medicine, Division of Hospital Medicine.

Seth Thomas Stalcup, M.D., Department of Radiology and Radiological Science.

From Clinical Associate Professor to Clinical Professor, Modified Clinical track

Lindsey C. Cox, M.D., Department of Urology.

Dalila Watford Lewis, M.D., Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Neurology.

From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Academic Investigator track

Amy Christine Engevik, Ph.D., Department of Regenerative Medicine and Cell Biology.

From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Academic Investigator/Educator track

Annamarie Carter Dalton, Ph.D., Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.

From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Academic Clinician track

Austin M. Hahn, Ph.D., Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Addiction Sciences Division.

Emily Adah Rosenberg, M.D., Department of Medicine, Division of Endocrinology.

From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor, Clinician Educator track

Amanda Bunnell, M.D., Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative Medicine.

David Brian Carroll, Jr., D.O., Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative Medicine.

Amanda L. Faulkner, M.D., MBA, Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative Medicine; dual in the Department of Neurosurgery.

Andrew D. Fisher, M.D., Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative Medicine.

Stephanie Gaydos, M.D., Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Cardiology; dual in the Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology.

Chadi Hajar, M.D., MBA, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine.

Kathleen Claire Head (Ostapkovich), M.D., MS, MPH, Department of Pediatrics, Division of General Pediatrics; dual in the Department of Medicine, Division of General Internal Medicine.

Kathryn Wulbern Koval, M.D., MPH, Department of Emergency Medicine.

Anne M. Kroman, D.O., Ph.D., Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology.

Mike M. Mallah, M.D., Department of Surgery, Division of General and Acute Care Surgery.

Sarah Tucker Marrison (Price), M.D., Ph.D., Department of Family Medicine.

Jeffrey Devon McMurray, M.D., Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative Medicine.

Rishi Ashok Patel, M.D., Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative Medicine.

Denise Sese, M.D., Department of Medicine, Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine.

Purabi Sonowal, MBBS, M.D., Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Neurology.

Carmine Suppa, D.O., Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology.

Pritee Tarwade, MBBS, Department of Anesthesia and Perioperative Medicine.

Ashley Arana Waring, M.D., Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology.

Jordan S. Whatley, M.D., Department of Pediatrics, Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology.

Lidia B.C. Yamada, M.D., Department of Neurology.

From Clinical Assistant Professor to Clinical Associate Professor, Modified Clinical track

Christine Canivan, M.D., Department of Pediatrics, Division of Children's Care Network.

Patrick J. Coyne, MSN, Department of Medicine, Division of General Internal Medicine.

Graciela B. De Jesús, M.D., Department of Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery.

Karen Brian Fernandez, M.D., Department of Ophthalmology.

Alexis Garcia Gray, Ph.D., Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Division; dual in the Department of Pediatrics, Division of Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics.

Vijay Renga, MBBS, M.D., Department of Neurology.

From MUSC AHEC Associate Professor to MUSC AHEC Professor

Michael G. Mount, D.O., (Spartanburg/Surgery), effective July 1, 2026.

From MUSC AHEC Assistant Professor to MUSC AHEC Associate Professor

Brandon Scott Davis, M.D., (Spartanburg/Internal Medicine), effective July 1, 2026.

Emily Roger Delmas, M.D., (Spartanburg/Surgery), effective July 1, 2026.

Committee Action: Recommended approval.

There being no further business, the committee meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin R. Hanckel

Office of the Provost

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Item 14. Item removed.

Item 15. Item removed.

Item 16. MUSC Health Integrated Academic Health System Financial Report.

Mr. Doug Lischke, Chief Financial Officer, MUSC Health, presented the June year-to-date financial results for the MUSC Integrated Academic Health System. He reported that the integrated academic health system exceeded budgeted operating income and cash flow targets, generating \$704.5 million in operating cash flow (EBIDA), \$64.5 million above budget. Operating revenue totaled \$8.5 billion, exceeding budget by \$469.6 million, while operating expenses were \$8.2 billion. Days cash on hand were 78 days, which is slightly below the 82-day target. He noted \$8.7 billion in total assets, including \$1.0 billion in cash, \$1.5 billion in investments, and \$3.1 billion in capital assets. Total liabilities were \$7.8 billion, including \$2.1 billion in debt and lease obligations. The system reported an \$837 million consolidated net position, with strong debt service coverage reflecting continued financial stability and capacity for capital investment. He noted that collectively the hospitals performed above budget, with the clinical enterprise generating \$673.2 million with \$42.7 million over budget. Favorable results from the College of Medicine and Hollings Cancer Center helped the academic enterprise generate \$31.3 million, \$21.8 million above budget. Total system operating cash flow reached \$704.5 million, exceeding budget expectations. Mr. Lischke reviewed key performance indicators and operating results across MUSC Health's regional markets, noting strength in hospital operations, patient volumes, and market performance, supported by continued investments in physician practices and strategic growth initiatives.

Committee Action: The Committee received this as information in its capacity as the MUHA Finance and Administration Committee.

Item 17. MUSC Health FY2027 Operating and Capital Budgets for Approval.

Mr. Doug Lischke, Chief Financial Officer, MUSC Health, requested approval of the FY2027 Operating and Capital Budgets for MUSC Health.

Committee Action: The Committee recommended approval in its capacity as the MUHA Finance and Administration Committee.

Item 18. Resolution Approving Precommitment Work for Cancer Hospital.

Mr. Doug Lischke, Chief Financial Officer, MUSC Health, presented the resolution approving precommitment work for the Comprehensive Cancer Hospital.

Committee Action: The Committee recommended approval in its capacity as the MUHA Finance and Administration Committee.

Item 19. Resolution Approving Reimbursement for Cancer Hospital Expenditures.

Mr. Doug Lischke, Chief Financial Officer, MUSC Health, presented the resolution approving reimbursement for the Comprehensive Cancer Hospital expenditures.

Committee Action: The Committee recommended approval in its capacity as the MUHA Finance and Administration Committee.

Item 20. MUSC Financial Report.

Mrs. Susie Edwards, Chief Financial Officer, MUSC, presented the University's preliminary financial results for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026. She reported operating cash flow of \$38.9 million and noted that the University maintained 149 days cash on hand. The University achieved an operating margin of \$0.1 million, essentially break-even performance, which was \$29.4 million favorable to budget. Mrs. Edwards provided an overview of significant budget-to-actual variances. Operating revenues exceeded budget by \$42 million, primarily driven by higher-than-anticipated grant and clinical trial activity. Operating expenses were \$13 million above budget, largely attributable to increased grant activity, with subaward expenses representing the most significant component. Mrs. Edwards also reported that all colleges and the Hollings Cancer Center met or exceeded budget expectations. Other University operations finished below budget primarily due to higher-than-anticipated utility costs and recruitment-related expenses for legal and marketing positions.

Committee Action: The Committee received this as information in its capacity as the MUSC Finance and Administration Committee.

Item 21. MUSC FY2027 Operating and Capital Budgets for Approval.

Mrs. Susie Edwards, Chief Financial Officer, MUSC, requested approval of the FY2027 Operating and Capital Budgets for MUSC and AHEC.

Committee Action: The Committee recommended approval in its capacity as the MUSC Finance and Administration Committee.

Item 22. Other Committee Business.

None.

Consent Agenda for Approval.

Item 40. MUSC Physicians FY2027 Capital Budget.

Approval was requested for the MUSC Physicians FY2027 Capital Budget.

Committee Action: The Committee recommended approval in its capacity as the MUHA Finance and Administration Committee.

Consent Agenda for Information.

Item 40.1 MUSC Physicians FY2027 Operating Budget.

The MUSC Physicians FY2027 Operating Budget was presented for information.

Committee Action: The Committee received this information in its capacity as the MUSC and MUHA Finance and Administration Committee.

Item 41. MUSC Physicians and MUSC Health Partners Financial Report.

The MUSC Physicians and MUSC Health Partners financial report through June 2026, was provided for information.

Committee Action: The Committee received this as information in its capacity as the MUSC and MUHA Finance and Administration Committee.

Item 42. FY2026 MUSC Purchased Services Spend >\$1M.

A summary through June 30, 2026, of MUSC purchased services spend greater than \$1M was provided for information.

Committee Action: The Committee received this as information in its capacity as the MUSC and MUHA Finance and Administration Committee.

There being no further business, the committee meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane L. Scutt

Assistant Board Secretary

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Item 23. Hollings Cancer Center Update.

Dr. Raymond DuBois, Director of Hollings Cancer Center, gave an update on preparations for National Cancer Institute (NCI) Comprehensive Cancer Center designation and changes to the Cancer Center Support Grant process. The revised framework will emphasize clinical trial performance, institutional commitment, leadership accountability, operational efficiency, and measurable cancer outcomes. Hollings is strengthening trial operations, documenting institutional support, highlighting high-impact accomplishments, and incorporating community priorities into leadership decisions. Readiness reviews are expected to begin in 2026, with designation targeted for 2029. The External Advisory Board also requested a multi-year funding commitment and support for research renovations and the new cancer hospital. Dr. DuBois emphasized continued investment in Hollings to support NCI renewal and comprehensive status. Key initiatives include clinical trial infrastructure, statewide cancer care expansion, patient support, research training, workforce development, and community outreach. He noted national recognition of research by Drs. Gerard Silvestri and Adam Fox, Hollings' first tumor-infiltrating lymphocyte therapy treatment, new laboratory space in the Storm Eye Institute, an NCI R01 grant awarded to Dr. Aguirre de Cubas, and a highly ranked cancer prevention training grant application led by Drs. Ashish Deshmukh and Matt Carpenter. Dr. DuBois highlighted a new philanthropically funded survivorship program addressing the medical, psychosocial, fertility, and survivorship needs of adolescent and young adult cancer patients. Hollings has recruited 41 faculty members since 2023, exceeding its goal, with 12 more expected in FY2027. During his tenure, 67 faculty members have been recruited with approximately \$38.2 million in institutional support, generating gains in grants, publications, and clinical trials. The comprehensive status dashboard showed continued progress, with several metrics meeting or exceeding goals.

Dr. Jason Newman, Chief, Cancer ICCE, and Ms. Kristin Mensonides, System Administrative Officer, Cancer ICCE, provided an update on clinical trials, growth, and physician recruitment. Systemwide oncology trial enrollment exceeded FY2026 maximum projections by more than nine percent, with strong participation in Charleston and regional markets. Growth in inpatient and outpatient services, visits, infusions, surgeries, and radiation treatments is informing plans for the new cancer hospital. Ongoing recruitment across MUSC Health and academic programs aims to expand cancer specialty access statewide.

Committee Action: Received as information.

Item 24. New Cancer Hospital Update.

Mr. Adam Bacik, Chief Executive Officer of the Comprehensive Cancer Hospital, provided an update on planning and development of the new cancer hospital. He reported that schematic design has been completed, design development is underway, and project costs remain aligned with original estimates. Preparations for site clearance are progressing, with existing occupants expected to vacate the future hospital site by September 2026. Planning also continues for exterior design, parking facilities, community engagement activities, and the patient experience model. Mr. Bacik reviewed the overall project timeline, including completion of design activities, demolition, construction, activation, and a targeted hospital opening in 2030. He also reported that the Cancer Hospital Capital Campaign, launched in April, has raised approximately \$3.5 million to date and is advancing naming opportunities and fundraising activities statewide.

Committee Action: Received as information.

Item 24.1 Approval of Naming Opportunity Inventory for Cancer Hospital.

Mr. Adam Bacik, Chief Executive Officer of the Comprehensive Cancer Hospital, requested approval of the naming opportunity inventory for the new Comprehensive Cancer Hospital.

Committee Action: Recommended approval.

Item 25. Other Committee Business.

None.

There being no further business, the committee meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jane L. Scott".

Assistant Board Secretary