



## UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

### Board of Regents' February 9, 2021 Agenda

- 10:00 AM      Executive & Compensation Committee  
Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra
- 10:15 AM      Track I Committee Meetings: Academic Affairs  
Bárbara Rivera Holmes
- Track I Committee Meetings: Organization & Law  
Regent Don L. Waters
- 10:15 AM      Track II Committee Meetings: Finance & Business  
Regent Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.
- Track II Committee Meetings: Internal Audit, Risk, and Compliance  
Regent Philip A. Wilheit, Sr.
- Track II Committee Meetings: Real Estate and Facilities  
Regent Samuel D. Holmes
- 11:00 AM      Call to Order  
Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra
- Invocation/ Pledge of Allegiance  
Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra  
Assistant Secretary Christopher McGraw
- Approval of Minutes  
Assistant Secretary Christopher McGraw  
January 12, 2021 Minutes
- Chancellor's Report  
Chancellor Steve Wrigley
- Committee Reports  
A. Executive & Compensation - Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra  
B. Academic Affairs - Regent Bárbara Rivera Holmes  
C. Finance & Business - Regent Kessel D. Stelling, Jr.  
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- Unfinished Business  
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- New Business  
Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra
- Petitions and Communications  
Assistant Secretary Christopher McGraw
- Executive Session  
Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra
- Vote - Policy Waiver

Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra

Reconvene

Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra

Adjournment

Chairman Sachin D. Shailendra

**AGENDA**  
**EXECUTIVE AND COMPENSATION COMMITTEE**

**February 9, 2021**

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## 1. **Board Self-Assessment**

**Background:** The Executive and Compensation Committee, on behalf of the Board of Regents, conducted a self-assessment on January 12, 2021 as specified in Section 5, item 6 of our Bylaws which states:

**Self-Assessment:** The Board of Regents is responsible for defining and regularly evaluating its responsibilities and expectations through a process established by the Executive and Compensation Committee. The Chancellor or Chancellor's designee shall compile any requested data in furtherance of this review."(Bylaws of the Board of Regents, <https://www.usg.edu/regents/bylaws>)

Each member of the Board was invited to participate in this self-assessment either through attending the January 12, 2021 committee meeting or through providing feedback directly outside of the meeting. The self-assessment was designed to the following three core questions: "How are we doing? What are we doing? Are we as effective as a board as we can be?"<sup>1</sup> The specific questions below were designed to help the Committee answer the following core questions.

1. **Do Board members understand their legal, ethical, and fiduciary obligations?**
2. **Do the Bylaws and actual Board practice distinguish between Board member roles and those of the Chancellor and Presidents?**
3. **Is the Board structure for meetings and reports working well?**
4. **How does the Board remain engaged with Chancellor and Presidential performance? Institutional mission? Institutional financial health and compliance?**
5. **In the COVID-19 pandemic environment, has the Board been able to continue to effectively perform its governance responsibilities?**

**Question 1.** The committee agreed that Board members understand their legal, ethical and fiduciary obligations. Further, the January 12, 2021 ethics training provided later that day included an extensive review of both USG ethical obligations and SACSCOC standards particularly relevant to governing boards. Regents continue to recuse themselves in committee votes where there is a potential conflict of interest and have been maintaining full compliance with the annual affidavit requirements from the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission.

**Question 2.** The committee agreed that the bylaws and actual practice each reflect the differing roles of Board members, i.e., to provide governance, set policy, etc. and the role of the Chancellor and Presidents, i.e., to implement policy, administer the system and its institutions, etc. This topic also was covered again at the January 12, 2021 ethics training.

**Question 3.** This question generated more in-depth discussion both in the committee and in direct feedback from individual Regents. There was a recognition that COVID-19 social distancing

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<sup>1</sup> Resource Manual for The Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement, p.29

restrictions limiting in-person meeting attendance was a challenge to all concerned. There was a sense that the Chancellor and his staff have put extra effort into updating and engaging the Board.

Several Regents also expressed a desire to see more detail around decisions made and/or the desire to raise those decisions to a Board committee, e.g., around financial budget requests as well as more detail on future employability and demand for certain majors in connection with new academic programs. Another Regent recommended establishing a committee focused on strategic initiatives and recommended considering two-year terms for the Board leadership to enable greater expertise and focus. There was a sense that some of the newer Regents may have less awareness around the new strategic plan and would benefit from an in-depth review.

Also communicated was an interest in an executive summary or other tool to summarize Board material given the extensive length of the agenda to include supporting documentation. Related to this issue was a desire to create more exchange, understanding, and coordination between the Track I and Track II committees. At the same time, there was a focus on ensuring there is a focus on key issues with sufficient background to understand them while not getting bogged down in minutiae. There was a sense, particularly from committee chairs, that the committee liaisons generally do a good job of keeping them informed throughout the month and familiar with key issues.

**Question 4.** There was continued positive feedback around the Chancellor's addressing of presidential performance over the course of several months. It was noted that the Academic Affairs committee has initiated the process of mission reviews consistent with SACSCOC guidelines. It was suggested by one Regent that institutions undergoing this process have the president present the mission to the committee. There is extensive reporting on institutional financial health and compliance.

**Question 5.** There was a consensus that the Board and the Board leadership have remained very engaged during the COVID-19 pandemic. Board members have continued to visit USG institutions albeit while following public health protocols. The USG has continued to hold Board meetings to include in-person meetings with no public, in-person attendance given the space limitations at 270 Washington St., SW. However, faculty, staff, administrators, students, and the public can observe remotely.

Several Regents mentioned the challenges associated with creating a greater sense of collegiality given the relatively shorter meetings and the temporary cessation of on-campus Regents' meetings. There also was a desire to see campus spotlights and other ways to engage with our institutions, presidents, and others.

**Recommended:** Adopt the following practices as developed in response to the Board's January 12, 2021 self-assessment:

- a) Institutional Mission Review. The BOR already has adopted a more systematic review process for institutional missions. A couple members recommended expanding this process to include a presentation from the campus president. Going forward, this process should include a presentation from the institutional president or other appropriate institutional representatives to the Academic Affairs Committee.
- b) Committees. Continue the practice of presenting high-level items for consideration by the entire Board. Further, a couple members recommended that the Board may wish to consider the practice of maintaining Board and/or selected Committee chair positions for two years. Finally, committee

liaisons should review proposed agenda items and continue the practice of reaching out to Board members to pre-brief them on significant issues of potential interest to those members.

- c) Strategic Planning. A couple members recommended formally reviewing the strategic plan and its implementation status. This review can be conducted by the Executive and Compensation Committee in conjunction with the current practice of the entire Board dedicating one meeting per year to strategic planning and related issues.
- d) Campus Presentations. Resume the “campus spotlight” as a part of Board meetings consistent with public health guidelines and available space.
- e) Academic Program Review. Several Regents expressed a desire for more information related to new academic programs. Required information related to new academic programs has been expanded to include data and metrics related to employability of graduates from these programs as part of a revised Academic Program Authorization proposal protocol that was enacted on January 4, 2021. This change will be fully implemented for all future new degrees presented for approval. Changes to the review process to provide analogous information for existing programs are being developed and will be implemented over the coming months.

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<sup>2</sup> Resource Manual for The Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement, p.22

**AGENDA**  
**COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**  
**February 9, 2021**

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## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Information Item: Implementation of Academic Program Authorization**

**Abstract:** On January 4, 2021, Academic Affairs launched the updated processes and procedures for Academic Program Authorization. Institutions are now required to submit proposed degrees using the new format. As institutions transition to these new standards, we are not bringing forward any new degree requests for your consideration at this meeting. Academic Affairs is conducting a review of past COAA degree narratives and determining how the new information we are requiring institutions to send to us should replace and supplement the materials. We will reach out to this committee as well as other board members who do not serve on the COAA to provide insight, and comments on the proposed new format for the COAA Academic Program Authorization materials.



**1. Online Delivery Method: Georgia Gwinnett College**

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of President Jann Joseph that Georgia Gwinnett College (“GGC”) be approved to deliver the Bachelor of Science with a major in Information Technology fully online, effective February 9, 2021.

**Abstract:** Georgia Gwinnett College was approved to offer the Bachelor of Science with a major in Information Technology in 2008. The three-year average enrollment in this degree program is 1,379 students and the three-year average graduation rate is 136 students. It is the third most popular degree choice by students. This will be the college’s first degree offering that has both a face-to-face option and a fully online option.

## **Program Termination Request:**

### **2. Degree and/or Major Termination:**

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of President Michelle Johnston that College of Coastal Georgia (“CCG”) be approved to terminate the degree, “Associate of Applied Science with a major in Hospitality Management”, effective February 9, 2021.

**Abstract:** In Fall 2015, the AAS Hospitality Management was a popular program with an enrollment of 64 students. The program had two tracks – hotel operations and culinary arts. In 2016, Coastal Georgia separated the culinary track into its own career associate degree and, in 2017, developed a baccalaureate degree in Hospitality and Tourism Management. All AAS Hospitality Management students have either graduated or switched to one of the two newer programs. In Fall 2020, only one student remained declared in the AAS Hospitality Management and she graduated this past December 2020. As of January 1, 2021, there are no students in the AAS Hospitality Management program. All faculty who taught in this program continue to teach their full workload as part of the AAS Culinary Arts or the BS Hospitality and Tourism Management.

**Academic Naming:**

**3. Naming of the existing Department of Music to the Georgia Southern University Fred and Dinah Gretsch School of Music, Georgia Southern University**

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of President Kyle Marerro that Georgia Southern University (“GASO”) be authorized to name the existing Department of Music to the Georgia Southern University Fred and Dinah Gretsch School of Music, effective February 9, 2021.

**Abstract:** The naming of the School of Music is in recognition of the outstanding and distinguished service to supporting many music education initiatives with the goal to “enrich people’s lives through participation in music”. Fred and Dinah Gretsch are the CEO and CFO of the Gretsch Company, a world-renowned manufacture of music instruments founding in 1883 and dedicated supporters of music education. Dinah Gretsch’s visionary talent and technical skills led to the company’s success. They were early contributors to the Save the Music Foundation in conjunction with VHI and regularly contribute musical instruments to charity auctions benefiting education.

**4. Naming the existing School of Music at Kennesaw State University to the Dr. Bobbie Bailey School of Music, Kennesaw State University.**

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of President Pamela Whitten that Kennesaw State University (“KSU”) be authorized to name the School of Music to the Dr. Bobbie Bailey School of Music, effective February 9, 2021.

**Abstract:** The naming of the School of Music is in recognition of the outstanding and distinguished service of Dr. Bobbie Bailey. As a young girl, Bobbie tinkered with cars at an Atlanta racetrack. Later, she was drawn to the wartime machinery jobs for women and never stopped working. In 1960, she founded Our-Way, Inc. which would become the world’s largest remanufacturer of air-conditioning and refrigeration compressors. She also launched music labels to record stars such as The Platters. She produced the Georgia Hall of Fame Music Awards Show each year, honoring stars like Kenny Rogers, R.E.M. Widespread Panic and Usher. Dr. Bailey’s philanthropic accomplishments are vast. Her generosity launched the Dr. Bobbie Bailey and Family Performance Center and the Bobbie Bailey Softball Complex. In addition, she has supported scholarships and programs for students.

## CONSENT ITEMS

### 5. Institutional Mission Statement

#### a. Valdosta State University

##### **Mission Statement**

As a comprehensive institution of the University System of Georgia, Valdosta State University (VSU) is a welcoming, aware, and vibrant community founded on and dedicated to serving our communities' rich and diverse heritages. Through excellence in teaching, basic and applied research, and service, VSU provides rigorous programs and opportunities that enrich our students, our university, and our region. As such, the VSU mission consists of three interrelated parts:

**Student Mission:** To provide a diverse student population with an inspired education, a safe learning environment, a nurturing community, and a wealth of experience that assists students in molding their futures in a creative, conscious, and caring fashion while preparing them to be lifelong learners who will meet the needs of a changing global society.

**University Mission:** To operate the university with a focus toward human, environmental, and financial sustainability while increasing value to our local, regional, national, and international stakeholders. To expand opportunities for our students, employees, and varied community members by promoting social justice and service learning.

**Regional Mission:** To provide our region and our home with the resources and support necessary to develop and sustain a higher quality of living, greater economic and community development, and inspired innovation that nurtures and respects our diverse population and beautiful environment while promoting academic outreach, public and private entrepreneurship, and collaboration with all regional entities.

Valdosta State University fulfills its mission by focusing on inclusion in all aspects of the educational experience.

Developed by the Strategic Planning Steering Committee, August 2013. Approved by the President's Cabinet, September 16, 2013.

Approved by University Council, March 24, 2014.

Approved by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, August 20, 2014.

Reviewed and reaffirmed by University Council, October 9, 2019.

Posted at <http://www.valdosta.edu/about/facts/organization-and-mission.php>

**6. Named/Endowed Faculty Positions:**

**a. Establishment of the Shaw Industries Chair in Stem, Dalton State College**

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of President Margaret Venable, that Dalton State College (“DSC”) be authorized to establish the Shaw Industries Chair in STEM effective February 9, 2021.

**Abstract:** Dalton State University has verified funding of \$1,000,000 sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

Shaw Industries is one of the region's largest employers, and they rely on Dalton State to produce qualified graduates in STEM to help fill their employment needs. Our partnership with Shaw Industries originated nearly fifty years ago with the first gift to the College. Since that time, the company has given almost \$7.3 million in total. The company was an early advocate for the College's transition to four-year status in the 1990s, and the leadership of the organization gave generously in support of that effort. Shaw made a leadership gift in the College's first-ever major fundraising campaign in 2006-2008.

b. **Establishment of the Dr. Alma Jones Professorship in Social Justice, Fort Valley State University**

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of President Paul Jones, that Fort Valley State University be authorized to establish the Dr. Alma Jones Professorship in Social Justice effective February 9, 2021.

**Abstract:** Fort Valley State University has verified funding of \$750,000 sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

**BIO:** Alma is one of five siblings who earned undergraduate degrees from FVSU. She went on to earn a Master of Arts in Teaching, a Master of Public Health, and a Doctor of Medicine while completing her residency in internal medicine. As the eldest, her drive and passion for knowledge inspired a family. Siblings Alfred, Alma, and Alonzo have had distinguished careers in medicine, while David and Ray are respected business leaders.

c. **Establishment of the Steven A. Denning Chair in Global Engagement, Georgia Institute of Technology**

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of President Ángel Cabrera that Georgia Institute of Technology (“GIT”) be authorized to establish the Steven A. Denning Chair of Global engagement effective February 9, 2021.

**Abstract:** Georgia Institute of Technology has verified funding of \$2.5 million, sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

**Bio:** Steven A. Denning is Chairman Emeritus of General Atlantic and has been part of the firm since its founding in 1980. As the second investment professional at the firm, Mr. Denning helped build General Atlantic with a singular vision of supporting entrepreneurs as they work to grow their businesses. Mr. Denning’s mission has been to partner with strong growth companies led by exceptional management teams to help their organizations become market leaders. For over three decades, Mr. Denning has helped General Atlantic become a leading global growth investment firm, with 14 offices around the world. Steve Denning also served on the Board of Trustees of Stanford University from 2004 to 2017, including as its Chairman from 2012 to 2017. Before joining General Atlantic, Steve worked at McKinsey & Company and served for six years in the U.S. Navy.

d. **Establishment of the Ed and Pat Joy Faculty Fund, Georgia Institute of Technology**

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of president Ángel Cabrera that Georgia Institute of Technology (“GIT”) be authorized to establish the Ed and Pat Joy Faculty Fund effective February 9, 2021.

**Abstract:** The Georgia Institute of Technology has verified funding of \$2 million, sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

**BIO:** Dr. Edward B. Joy is Professor Emeritus of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Georgia institute of Technology where he received B.E.E., M.S.E.E., and PhD degrees in electrical engineering. He spent over 30 years conducting research, teaching, and consulting in the areas of antenna and radar cross section measurements: radome analysis, design, and measurement; and advanced antenna development. Dr. Joy has consulted with over 140 organizations and participated in the design of over 20 major antenna measurement facilities.

Dr. Edward Joy is also a distinguished researcher and author in the area of antenna and near-field technology. Dr. Joy’s work includes six key reference books, 25 Monographs/short course texts, and several published papers. Ed’s innovative and groundbreaking work has also afforded him three different U.S. patents. Dr. Joy is a Life Fellow of the IEEE, "for contributions to the theory, techniques and applications of nearfield antenna measurements" and Fellow of the Antenna Measurement Techniques Association (AMTA) "for contributions to near-field, compact and polarization measurement techniques”.



e. **Establishment of the G. Wayne Clough Faculty Fund, Georgia Institute of Technology**

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of president Ángel Cabrera that Georgia Institute of Technology (“GIT”) be authorized to establish the G. Wayne Clough Faculty Fund, effective February 9, 2021.

**Abstract:** Georgia Institute of Technology has verified funding of \$2 million, sufficient to establish this position as required by Board of Regents Policy 8.3.2.2.

**BIO:** Dr. G. Wayne Clough received his B.S. and M.S. in civil engineering from Georgia Tech in 1964 and 1965, respectively. In 1969, he earned a Ph.D. in civil engineering from the University of California, Berkeley. Dr. Clough went on to become a professor at Duke University, Stanford University, and Virginia Tech. Dr. Clough served as head of the department of civil engineering and dean of the College of Engineering at Virginia Tech, and as provost at the University of Washington. In 1994, Dr. G. Wayne Clough returned to Georgia Tech to serve as its 10th president, and first alumnus president, for the next 14 years. Dr. Clough’s tenure was marked by rapid growth of the student body and the Institute’s entrance into the top 10 American public universities. Research expenditures increased from \$212 million to \$425 million and student enrollments from 13,000 to 18,000. More than a billion dollars was raised in private philanthropy, and campus operations were opened in Savannah, Georgia; Ireland; Singapore; and Shanghai.

Following his fourteen years of service at Georgia Tech, G. Wayne Clough was appointed the 12th Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution in 2008, where he led the world’s largest museum and research complex with 19 museums, nine research centers, the National Zoo, and research activities in more than 90 countries. Dr. Clough initiated long-range planning for the Institution that will define the Smithsonian’s focus for the future, expanding its global relevance and ensuring its vast collection is accessible and available to everyone through digitization projects. Additionally, Dr. Clough oversaw several major openings, including the Sant Ocean Hall at the National Museum of Natural History and the reopening of the National Museum of American History. Among his many accolades and achievements, in February 2009, G. Wayne Clough received the Joseph M. Pettit Alumni Distinguished Service Award that recognizes a lifetime of leadership, achievement, and service to Georgia Tech. In 2012, the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia unanimously voted to grant Dr. Clough President Emeritus status, and in 2015, he was awarded an honorary Doctor of Philosophy from Georgia Tech.

f. **Establishment of the Kelly Sepcic Pfeil PhD Faculty Fund, Georgia Institute of Technology**

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of president Ángel Cabrera that Georgia Institute of Technology (“GIT”) be authorized to establish the Kelly Sepcic Pfeil PhD Faculty Fund effective February 9, 2021.

**Abstract:** The Georgia Tech Foundation has confirmed the funds available to support this Fund totals at least \$2 million.

**BIO:** Dr. Kelly Sepcic Pfeil is the President of ArrowInno, a firm that she founded in 2016 to provide consultation in product design and innovation. Previously, Dr. Pfeil served as Vice President for PepsiCo Global Research and Development, leading the Strategy and Portfolio Management. Kelly’s previous roles at PepsiCo & Frito Lay include Vice President of Frito Lay R&D and Vice President of Innovation. Prior to joining Frito Lay in 2007, Dr. Pfeil spent 14 years with The Coca-Cola Company, where she was the key leader responsible for core brand innovation. Dr. Kelly Sepcic Pfeil has been an author on several technical papers and an inventor on multiple international and U.S. patent applications in the area of flavor and sweetener technology. David Pfeil founded Texas-based Southwest Consulting Associates, a health care consulting company, in 1989 and led the firm for 25 years until his retirement in 2013.

**6. Named Faculty Position:**

**Institution Name:** Georgia Institute of Technology

**University Faculty's Name:** Yves Berthelot, PhD

**Named Position:** Steven A. Denning Chair in Global Engagement

**AGENDA**  
**COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION & LAW**

**February 9, 2021**

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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**1. Honorary Degree Request: Columbus State University**

Columbus State University President Dr. Chris Markwood seeks the Board's approval to award an honorary degree to C. Robert "Bob" Koon.



January 29, 2021

Chancellor Steve Wrigley  
University System of Georgia  
270 Washington St. SW  
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Chancellor Wrigley:

On behalf of Columbus State University (CSU), I am writing to request approval to award an honorary degree to C. Robert (Bob) Koon in Spring, 2021. This request has been approved through CSU's internal process for nominating individuals for honorary degrees. The process includes review and recommendation from an institutional committee comprised of a faculty member from each college in addition to endorsement of the appropriate dean, the provost, and the president.

Mr. Koon graduated from Auburn University with a degree in Engineering. After a lengthy and distinguished career, he retired in 1990 as Chairman of Swift Textiles. During his tenure at Swift, he received the Atlanta Textile Club's 1988 Textile Person of the Year Award, was named as one of Textile World Magazine's Top Ten Industry Leaders and was the recipient of the American Textile International Magazine's Man of the Year in 1989. He was named Columbus Business Leader of the Year in 1988.

Active with the St. Paul Methodist Church, the United Way and Boy Scouts, he has served on the Columbus Regional Foundation Board of Directors, the Georgia Council on Adult Literacy, Columbus Medical Center, Fulton Federal Savings & Loans and the Columbus Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Koon and his wife, Joyce, have been leadership annual giving donors to Columbus State for decades. He was elected in 1985 to serve as a trustee of the CSU Foundation, and served as chair in 1989-1990. Long a proponent of planned giving, he played a pivotal role in establishing the *Legacy Society* at Columbus State in 1998 to recognize individuals who notify the University that they have included CSU in their estate plans. He and his wife were among the first to make a planned gift. He and his business partner, the late George Jeter, led the initiative to recruit new members of the Legacy Society and Mr. Koon continues to serve as Chair of the CSU Foundation Planned Giving Initiative. In large part due to Mr. Koon's involvement in promoting planned giving, the *Legacy Society* currently has 186 members. In recognition of his long involvement and generous support, he was named Trustee Emeritus in 2020.

Bob Koon has been an advocate and supporter of CSU for decades. He is respected as one of the giants in business of his generation, and he has influence throughout the region.

We would be happy to provide additional information as needed. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Dr. Chris Markwood, President  
Columbus State University

**2. Mutual Aid Agreements: Georgia Southwestern State University**

Georgia Southwestern State University seeks the Board of Regents' permission to enter into mutually beneficial emergency services arrangements with Sumter County and the City of Americus.

**MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT  
SUMTER COUNTY AND GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY**

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*A Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and **Sumter County, Georgia** pursuant to the Georgia Mutual Aid Act.*

Effective upon the approval of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, a mutual aid agreement shall exist between **Sumter County, Georgia** and **Georgia Southwestern State University**, an institution within the University System of Georgia. This agreement incorporates by reference all standards contained in OCGA 36-69-1, et seq., including subsequent amendments thereto.

**I. Purpose**

The purpose of this agreement is to provide for the rendering of extraterritorial assistance between **Georgia Southwestern State University** and **Sumter County, Georgia** as defined in Georgia Code 36-69-2 (meaning of "local emergency") and under the conditions established in Georgia Code 36-69-3 (extraterritorial cooperation and assistance to local law enforcement agencies, institutions within the University System, or fire departments requesting assistance).

*Local Emergency* is defined by 36-69-2 as the existence of conditions of extreme peril to the safety and property within the territorial limits of a political subdivision of the state or on a campus of an institution within the University System of Georgia caused by natural disasters, riots, civil disturbances, or other situations presenting major law enforcement and other public safety problems, which conditions are or are likely beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of that political subdivision of the state which require the combined forces of other political subdivisions of the state to combat.

Conditions which qualify for extraterritorial assistance as established by OCGA 36-69-3 include upon the request of the County or University in a local emergency, assistance in the prevention or detection of violations of the law, in the apprehension or arrest of any person who violates a criminal law of this State, or in any criminal case.

**II. Initiation of Mutual Aid Request**

In the event **Sumter County, Georgia** is in need of emergency assistance from the University as defined in Section I on this agreement, the Sumter County Emergency Management Agency Director (EMA) or designee will make the request to the University's Director of Public Safety or other University Official as needed. The Director will then forward the request to the University President for approval. The Public Safety Director will forward the President's decision to the Sumter County EMA Director. In the event the University requires assistance, the Director of Public Safety or other University Official at the direction of the University President will make the request to the Sumter County EMA Director. The County EMA Director or designee will be the contact point for all requests. (OCGA 36-69-3(a) 2(A))



### III. Authority of Personnel Rendering Aid

Whenever the employees of Sumter County, Georgia or the University are rendering aid on or outside the campus and pursuant to the authority contained in OCGA 36-69-4, such employees shall have the same powers, duties, rights, privileges, and immunities as if they were performing their duties in the County, or as a University System Officer. (OCGA 36-69-4)

### IV. Responsibility for Expenses and Compensation of Employees

When responding to an emergency or other conditions as outlined in this agreement, the responding agency which furnishes any equipment shall bear the loss or damage to such equipment and shall pay the expense incurred in the operation and maintenance thereof.

When responding to an emergency or other conditions as outlined in this agreement, the responding agency will compensate and shall defray the actual travel and maintenance expenses of such employees during the time they are rendering aid. Such compensation shall include any amounts paid or due for compensation due to personal injury or death while such employees are engaged in rendering such aid.

### V. Applicability of Privileges, Immunities, Exemptions and Benefits

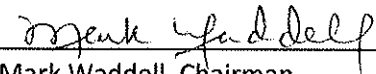
All of the privileges and immunities from liability; exemption from laws, ordinances, and rules; and all pension, insurance, relief, disability, workers' compensation, salary, death, and other benefits which apply to the activity of such employees or employees of the County or University when performing their respective functions within the County or Campus, shall apply to such officers or employees to the same degree, manner and extend while engaged in the performance of any of their functions and duties extraterritorially under the provisions of this chapter relating to mutual aid. This provision of this Code section shall apply with equal effect to paid, volunteer, and auxiliary employees. (OCGA 36-69-6)

### VI. Command Structure

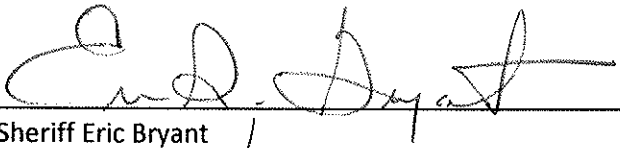
When assistance is requested by the University under the terms of this mutual aid agreement, all personnel provided by the County will be under the command of the Director of Public Safety or designee of the Georgia Southwestern State University. Personnel assigned by the University in response to a request for assistance, will be under the direction of the Sumter County EMA Director or designee of the Sumter County EMA's office. All orders, requests, and directions issued by the officer in charge will be relayed through the ranking officer of the agency providing the extraterritorial assistance. (OCGA 36-69-3(c))

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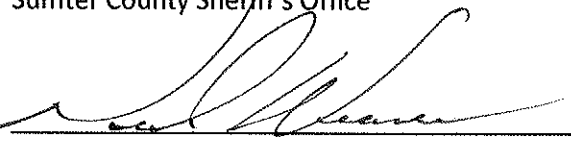
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**MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT  
CITY OF AMERICUS AND GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY**

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*A Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and the **City of Americus, Georgia** pursuant to the Georgia Mutual Aid Act.*

Effective upon the approval of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, a mutual aid agreement shall exist between the **City of Americus, Georgia** and **Georgia Southwestern State University**, an institution within the University System of Georgia. This agreement incorporates by reference all standards contained in OCGA 36-69-1, et seq., including subsequent amendments thereto.

**I. Purpose**

The purpose of this agreement is to provide for the rendering of extraterritorial assistance between **Georgia Southwestern State University** and the **City of Americus, Georgia** as defined in Georgia Code 36-69-2 (meaning of "local emergency") and under the conditions established in Georgia Code 36-69-3 (extraterritorial cooperation and assistance to local law enforcement agencies, institutions within the University System, or fire departments requesting assistance).

*Local Emergency* is defined by 36-69-2 as the existence of conditions of extreme peril to the safety and property within the territorial limits of a political subdivision of the state or on a campus of an institution within the University System of Georgia caused by natural disasters, riots, civil disturbances, or other situations presenting major law enforcement and other public safety problems, which conditions are or are likely beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of that political subdivision of the state which require the combined forces of other political subdivisions of the state to combat.

Conditions which qualify for extraterritorial assistance as established by OCGA 36-69-3 include upon the request of the City or University in a local emergency, assistance in the prevention or detection of violations of the law, in the apprehension or arrest of any person who violates a criminal law of this State, or in any criminal case.

**II. Initiation of Mutual Aid Request**

In the event **City of Americus** is in need of emergency assistance from the University as defined in Section I on this agreement, the City of Americus Emergency Management Agency Director (EMA) or designee will make the request to the University's Director of Public Safety or other University Official as needed. The Director will then forward the request to the University President for approval. The Public Safety Director will forward the President's decision to the city of Americus EMA Director. In the event the University requires assistance, the Director of Public Safety or other University Official at the direction of the University President will make the request to the City of Americus EMA Director. The City EMA Director or designee will be the contact point for all requests. (OCGA 36-69-3(a) 2(A))

**Office of Public Safety**

**III. Authority of Personnel Rendering Aid**

Whenever the employees of City of Americus or the University are rendering aid on or outside the campus and pursuant to the authority contained in OCGA 36-69-4, such employees shall have the same powers, duties, rights, privileges, and immunities as if they were performing their duties in the City, or as a University System Officer. (OCGA 36-69-4)

**IV. Responsibility for Expenses and Compensation of Employees**

When responding to an emergency or other conditions as outlined in this agreement, the responding agency which furnishes any equipment shall bear the loss or damage to such equipment and shall pay the expense incurred in the operation and maintenance thereof.

When responding to an emergency or other conditions as outlined in this agreement, the responding agency will compensate and shall defray the actual travel and maintenance expenses of such employees during the time they are rendering aid. Such compensation shall include any amounts paid or due for compensation due to personal injury or death while such employees are engaged in rendering such aid.

**V. Applicability of Privileges, Immunities, Exemptions and Benefits**

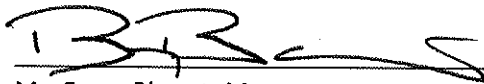
All of the privileges and immunities from liability; exemption from laws, ordinances, and rules; and all pension, insurance, relief, disability, workers' compensation, salary, death, and other benefits which apply to the activity of such employees or employees of the City or University when performing their respective functions within the City or Campus, shall apply to such officers or employees to the same degree, manner and extend while engaged in the performance of any of their functions and duties extraterritorially under the provisions of this chapter relating to mutual aid. This provision of this Code section shall apply with equal effect to paid, volunteer, and auxiliary employees. (OCGA 36-69-6)

**VI. Command Structure**

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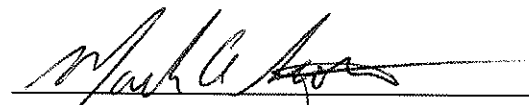
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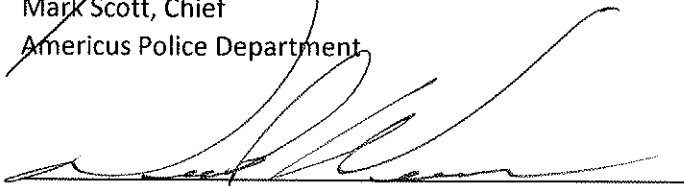
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City of Americus

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**3. Executive Session**

The Committee will enter executive session to discuss pending applications for review. These are made to the Board of Regents Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to Policy 6.26. Applications for Discretionary Review and are typically personnel matters and issues of academic status.

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1. **Report on Fiscal Year 2021 Second Quarter Revenues and Expenditures**

Executive Vice Chancellor for Strategy and Fiscal Affairs, Tracey Cook, will present information on the Second Quarter Revenues and Expenditures for the University System of Georgia.



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1. **Information Item: Update on Internal Audit Reports Issued**

During this session, Vice Chancellor Claire Arnold will provide an update on all internal audit reports issued across the University System over the past 12 months in accordance with the USG Audit Charter.

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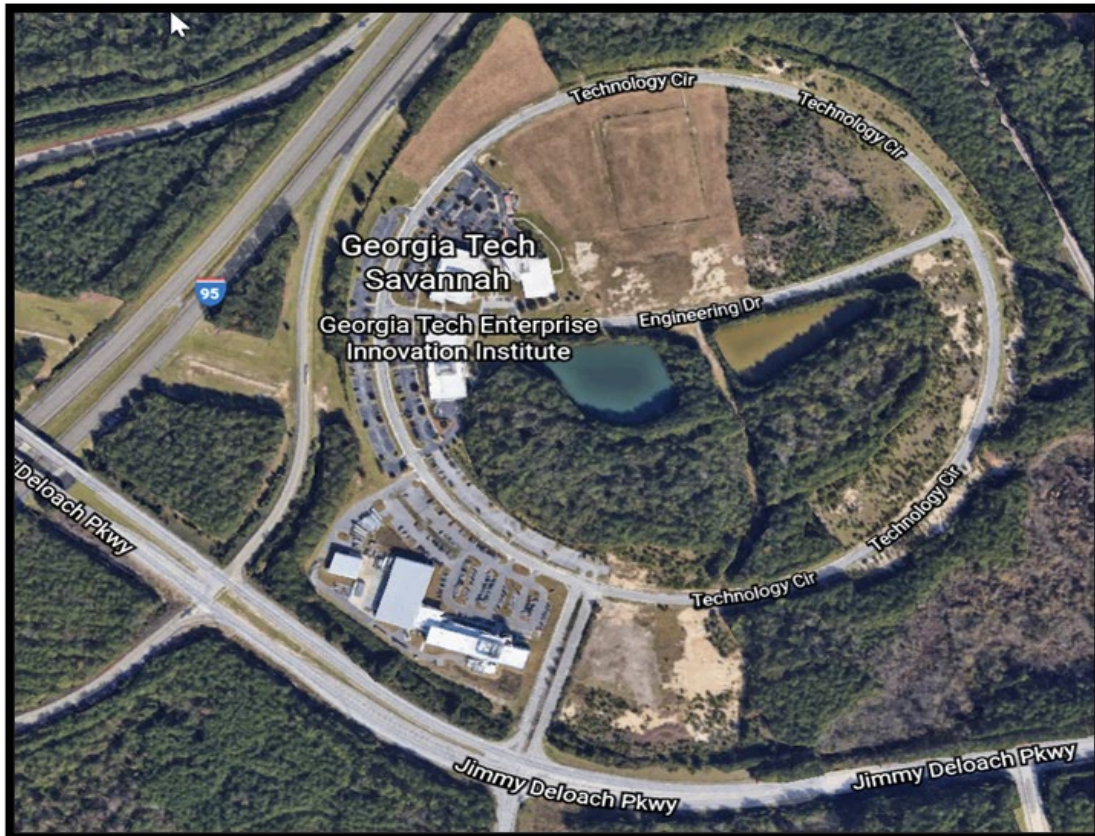
Sandra Neuse, Vice Chancellor for Real Estate and Facilities, will provide information about a recent procurement for facilities management services for student housing facilities. This procurement is intended to support the operations and maintenance needs for student housing facilities at University System of Georgia institutions on a voluntary, opt-in basis.

2. **Georgia Institute of Technology Savannah Campus Redevelopment**

Vice Chancellor Neuse will provide information about a potential redevelopment opportunity for the Georgia Institute of Technology's Savannah Campus.



**Savannah Campus**  
**210 Technology Circle · Savannah, GA 31407**



**3. Authorization of Project No. BR-50-2102, 55 Park Place AYSPS Renovation, Georgia State University**

Recommended: That the Board authorize Project No. BR-50-2102, 55 Park Place AYSPS Renovation, Georgia State University (“GSU”), with a total project budget of \$18,482,000, to be funded from institutional funds.

Understandings: This project would involve the renovation of the second, fourth, sixth, seventh, and ninth floors of GSU’s 55 Park Place building (the “Project”) to facilitate relocation of the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies (“AYSPS”) from leased space at 2 Peachtree Street in Atlanta. Totalling approximately 116,000 square feet, this renovation would support AYSPS by providing collaborative meeting and seminar space, student services, computer labs, collaborative research spaces and individual spaces for academic faculty, staff, graduate students, and post-doctoral researchers. In vacating its current location, GSU would achieve rental savings of approximately \$1,600,000 annually.

The estimated construction cost for this project is \$13,340,000. The project is consistent with GSU’s master plan.

If authorized by the Board, the University System Office staff and GSU will proceed with design and construction of the project in accordance with Board of Regents procedures.



✖ 55 Park Place



**4. Naming Modification for Mac Nease Baseball Park, Georgia Institute of Technology**

Recommended: That the Board approve the naming modification of Nease Baseball Complex on the Atlanta campus of the Georgia Institute of Technology (“GIT”) as “Mac Nease Baseball Park” in recognition of the generous philanthropy and service of Lawton M. “Mac” Nease, III and his wife, Brenda.

Understandings: President Ángel Cabrera confirms that this naming conforms to the GIT naming guidelines and with the Board of Regents naming policy.

In October 2020, the Board approved the naming of the area containing Russ Chandler Stadium (“the Stadium”) and its new entry-level atrium, third base concourse fan amenities, and indoor training facility as the Nease Baseball Complex in recognition of the Neases’ philanthropic support for the second phase of the Stadium renovations (“Phase II”). Dr. Nease has since requested that the honorific name be modified to include the name he is best known by within the Atlanta and GIT communities and “Park” as his preferred nomenclature for the baseball facility.

The Neases have a longstanding history of philanthropy to GIT and its athletics programs, including support for the first phase of the Stadium renovations, the Nease Family Baseball Scholarship Endowment, and the GT Promise Scholarship Endowment. The Neases provided more than half the funds needed for Phase II, which is expected to be complete in the first quarter of 2021.

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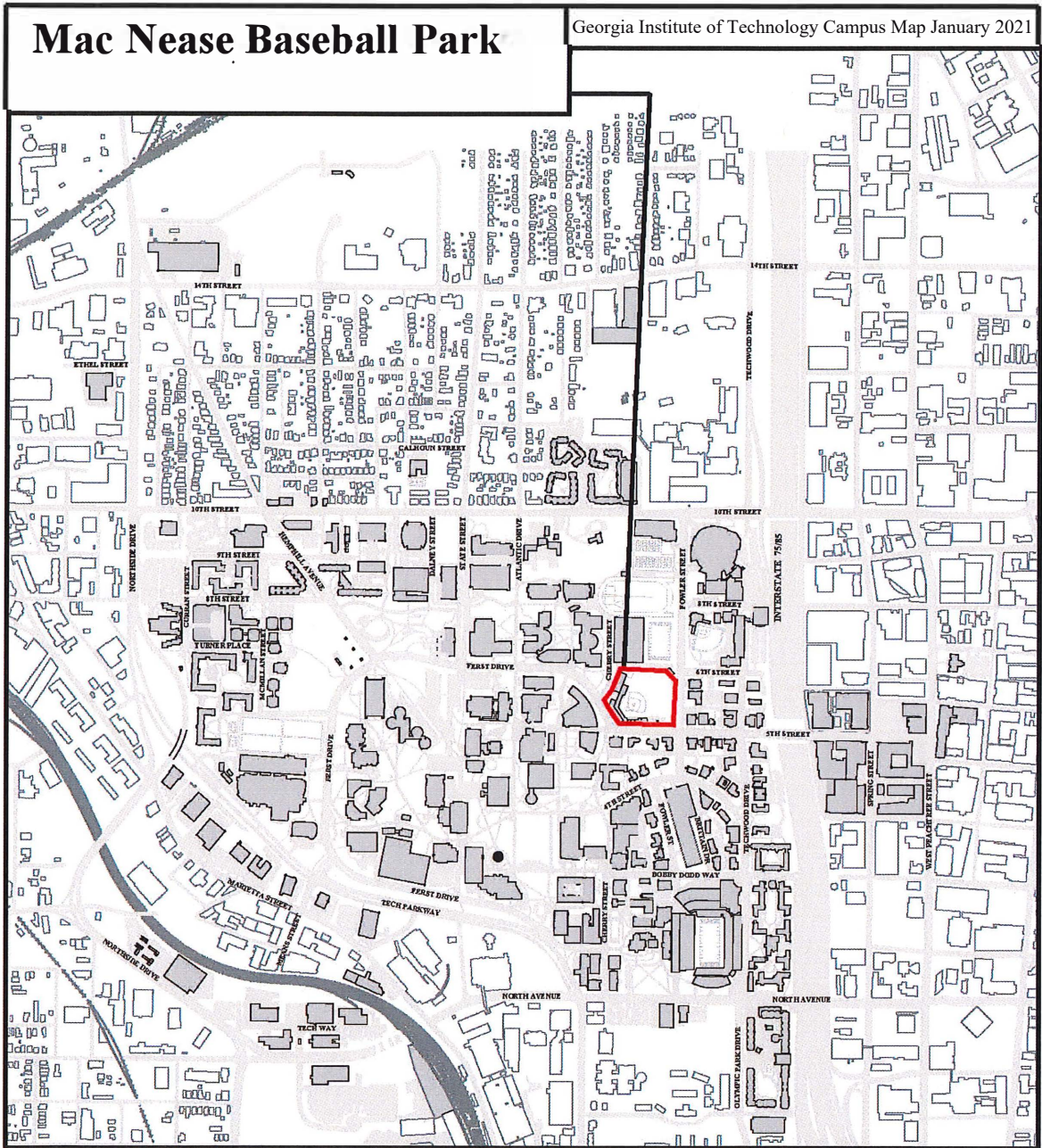
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**5. Naming of Jack and Ruth Ann Hill Convocation Center, Georgia Southern University**

Recommended: That the Board approve the naming of the new convocation center on the Statesboro campus of Georgia Southern University (“GSOU”) as the Jack and Ruth Ann Hill Convocation Center in honor of the generational impact of the Honorable Jack and Mrs. Ruth Ann Hill.

Understandings: President Kyle Marrero confirms that this naming conforms to GSOU naming guidelines and with the Board of Regents naming policy.

For three decades, Georgians benefited from the leadership of State Senator Jack Hill. First elected in 1990, Jack Hill was the longest-serving member of the Georgia Senate. At the time of his passing, he was chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee and vice-chairman of the Senate Rules Committee, while concurrently serving on the Natural Resources and the Environment and Regulated Industries and Utilities Committees. He was an ex-officio member of the Finance and Retirement Committees and past chair of K-12 Education, Ethics, and Higher Education Committees. During his lengthy career in the Georgia Senate, GSOU, East Georgia State College, and technical colleges in the 4th District received over \$300 million in improvements and construction funding for their campuses.

The Hills were lifelong residents of Reidsville, Georgia, and alumni of GSOU. Senator Hill graduated in 1966, while Mrs. Hill was a “Triple Eagle” having received degrees from GSOU in 1973, 1990, and 1991. In addition to his duties in the state legislature, Senator Hill also served as a member of the Georgia Air National Guard for 33 years, both as a unit commander and State Inspector General.

Senator Hill passed on April 6, 2020. Ruth Ann, his wife of 48 years and a retired elementary school principal, died less than three weeks later. The Hills are survived by three children and seven grandchildren.

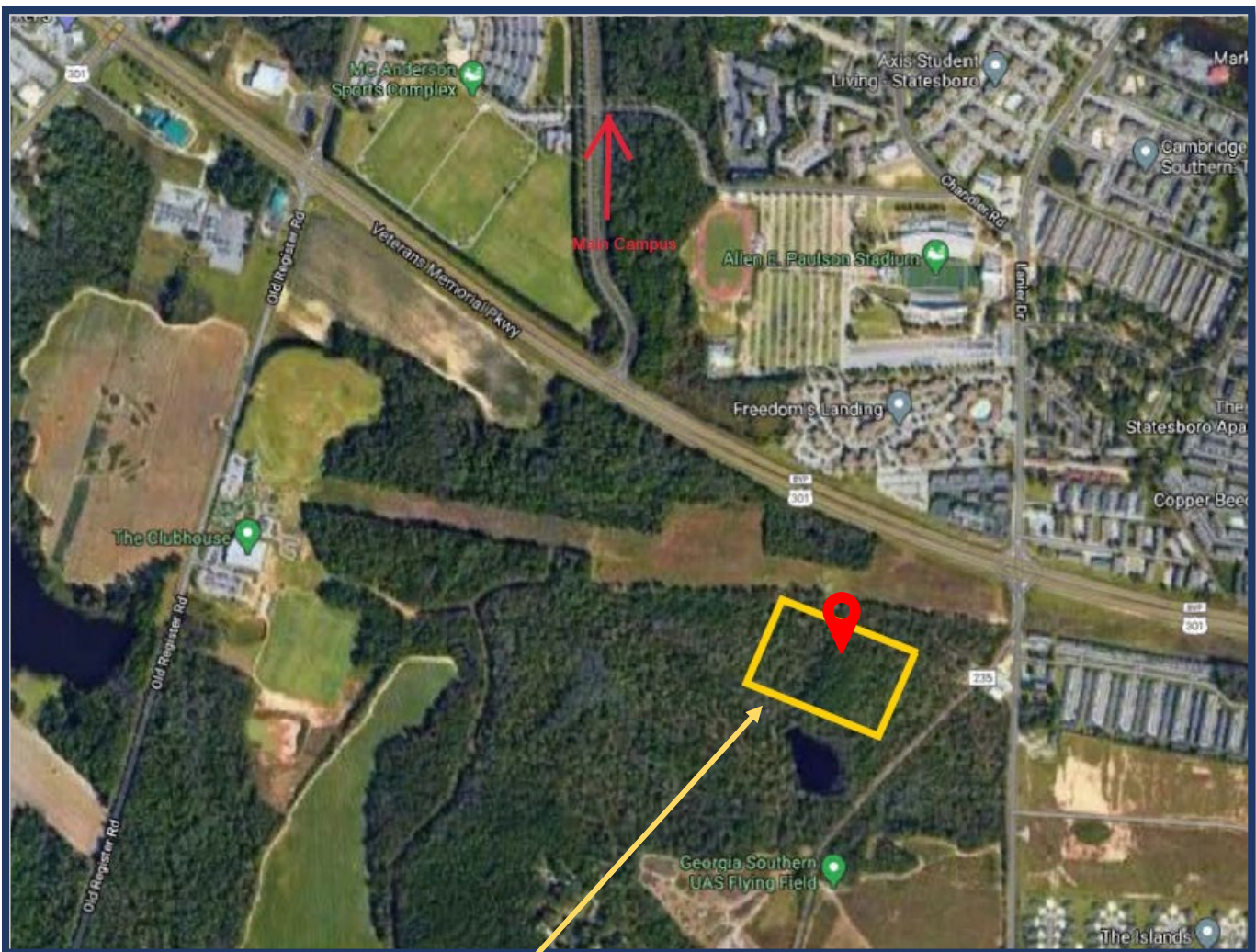




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