Present: Anderson, Bower, Dickey, Estes, Flanders, Gantner, Head, Hendricks, Hester, Hoff, Horvath, Jenks, Johnson, Khan, Kral, Lingrell, Marrero, McCandless, Turner (for McIntyre), Simpson, and Sutherland

- Dr. Marrero mentioned the “Innovation in Business and Beyond” panel discussion/breakfast that was hosted by the Alumni Association and RCOB this morning in Atlanta. It was a great event. Panelists were Stu Thorn, Greg Schulenburg, Tim Houlne, and Missy Dugan. Discussed what attributes employers are looking for from college graduates. Response was offering more internships to promote experiential learning opportunities and getting students connected in the workplace.

- Dr. Anderson gave an update on the SACS Compliance Certificate. Hope to have report finished on Friday. Clean-up will take place through the 16th. He will send the report to several PAC members to scan their sections for possible errors/updates. Great news is we are about four weeks ahead of schedule.

1. Athletics Announcement (Marrero): Dr. Marrero announced there will be a press conference today at 2 p.m. Daryl Dickey will step down as Head Football Coach at the end of this season. A national search will be conducted for a Head Football Coach. Daryl will be full-time Athletic Director. We need to focus on the students first and foremost and then on building a culture of winning and being competitive. Plan to complete an Athletic Strategic Plan. Everyone applauded Daryl for his hard work over the past years.

2. BOR Updates (Marrero): a) BOR is looking hard at student fees. Our athletic fee is on the lower end. We will have hurdles to cross. b) Looking at across the board 3% pay raises – which would mean roughly $400M in new reoccurring funding. c) MOOCs – we have to be a part of dialogue but it isn’t the silver bullet. d) Quality teacher preparation is important; may not participate in NCTQ; BOR will build own metrics of assessment in conjunction with partner states. e) Capital Improvement/Outlay – space utilization will be the driving factor for any new construction. Need to look at current space and renovate. Mr. Sutherland will send a link to Tina to forward to PAC. f) Performance funding is coming. Mr. Sutherland serves on a USG Task Force. Looking at post-graduation – one Regent wants to know how many new businesses have our graduates created in Georgia. Performance metrics needed to gauge student success.

3. Chief of Staff Search (Marrero): Dr. Marrero is interested in PAC members’ perspective. Please send your comments to Dr. Marrero. The search committee will meet on Friday to discuss strengths and weaknesses of each candidate to forward to the President.

4. Faculty Ombuds (Marrero): Dr. Marrero announced that Dr. John Fuller will be retiring in December. We need to start a search for his replacement in his capacity as Faculty Ombuds. Must be a current tenured faculty member. Application deadline will be September 3rd. Want to have person appointed by end of September. New person must attend a 3-day training session on October 21-23 in Baltimore. Search committee will consist of Dr. Jeff Johnson, Dr. Jane McCandless, Ms. Patricia Pinkard, and two other faculty members yet to be determined.