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Clemson trustees approve economic research center

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CLEMSON — At their fall quarterly meeting on campus, Clemson University trustees heard reports on research funding, facilities, educational programs and budgets.

The trustees approved a proposed new academic Center for Economic Research on the Family (CERF) in the College of Business and Behavioral Science.

CERF will be launched as a virtual, collaborative center, highlighting and stimulating research on family and economics. The center will have a Web site highlighting the faculty work and providing links to accessible databases on family issues and a literature index.

Also, Vice President for Research and Economic Development Chris Przirembel reported Clemson's research funding totaled $141 million for FY 2009, down from the university record of $151 million last year. The decrease occurred because of reductions in state and local government funding for Clemson's research program, Przirembel said. Federal government and industry funding and support from other sources increased over last year.

The construction and naming of the privately funded Class of 1960 North Green, a landscaping project for the green space between the Carillon Garden and Outdoor Theater on campus, was approved.