I. Call to Order

A. Roll Call

Chairman Ron Tucker convened a meeting of the Fairmont State University (FSU) Board of Governors on August 16, 2012, beginning at approximately 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at the Falcon Center, 1201 Locust Avenue, Fairmont, West Virginia.

At the request of Chairman Tucker, Judy Biafore conducted a roll call of the Board of Governors. Present for the meeting were board members Robert Mild, Matt Jacques, John Myers, Mark Pallotta, Shirley Stanton, Chris Courtney, Bryan Towns, Ron Tucker, Bob White, Bryan Foley, and Dixie Yann. Board Member Frank Washenitz participated by phone. Also in attendance were President Rose and President’s Council members Ann Booth, Fred Fidura, Bill Finley, Christina Lavorata, Rick Porto, and David Tamm.

II. Chairman’s Report

A. Chairman Ron Tucker welcomed new board of governors’ members Bryan Foley and Chris Courtney.

B. Chairman Tucker expressed thanks to those who attended the Higher Education Policy Commission Board of Governors’ Summit. He also reminded the Board about the October 26, 2012, Oglebay Retreat, and the October 18, 2012, BOG Meeting that will be held at the Caperton Center in Clarksburg.

C. Chairman Tucker also reminded everyone about the Inauguration for Dr. Rose, on Saturday, August 25, at 1:00 p.m.

III. Public Comment

Chris Courtney reported that no one signed up for public comment.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Bryan Towns made a motion to approve the agenda. Mark Pallotta seconded. The motion passed.
V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 21, 2012

Dixie Yann moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 21, 2012. Bob Mild seconded. The motion passed.

VI. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

A. President Rose welcomed Bryan Foley, the new student representative for the Board of Governors replacing Scott Ullom. Chris Courtney was welcomed as the new lay member replacing Skip Tarasuk.

B. She stated that there was an opening session for faculty and staff for the new academic year which began this past Monday for faculty. Students move in to the dorms today. Dr. Ken Millen-Penn will deliver the address for Convocation. This week-end is Welcome Weekend and there will be many activities throughout the week. Classes start Monday.

C. Governor Tomlin has just announced a 7.5% budget cut for Higher Education. The Council of Presidents met and agreed that the Governor and our Legislators need to be aware of the effects of these cuts.

D. Enrollments continue and there are still some students Mountain State University that will be late arrivals.

E. Council of Presidents for the two year and four year institutions met with Senator Plymale, Delegate Poling, and both Chancellors concerning the effects of Senate Bill 346 (re: Outcomes for Performance Based Funding for the upcoming year). The Legislature has employed HCM Strategists from Washington, D.C. to assist with this initiative.

G. Congratulations to the Fishing Team for winning 4th place in the nation. And congratulations to the Women’s Swim Team which was named Scholar All American Team for Spring 2012.

VII. Reports and Presentations

A. Foundation (Gary Bennett)

Kim Pellillo reported for Gary Bennett. She stated that a new Executive Director has been hired. His name is Will Armistead. He will be starting September 10, 2012.

Ms. Pellillo reported that they are working with Institutional Advancement for a Columbus, Ohio alumni event and/or reception at Gary LeDonne’s home on September 23, 2012. There is also an event being planned in Morgantown.
The Fairmont State Athletic Association D & G Golf Outing will be Friday, September 14, 2012.

She stated that Brickstreet sent a check for their portion of the scoreboard. Ms. Pellillo also stated that they had raised $215,000 in gifts for the Neighborhood Investment Program (NIP).

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

Bryan Towns moved to accept the following Consent Agenda as presented.


John Myers seconded. The motion passed.

IX. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS/ADMISSIONS

Dr. Christina Lavorata gave a brief overview of the Masters in Criminal Justice Program Review that must be submitted to the Higher Education Policy for final approval.

A. Masters in Criminal Justice Program Review Approval

John Myers moved to accept the Masters in Criminal Justice Program Review. Matt Jacques seconded the motion to approve. The motion passed.

X. FINANCE COMMITTEE (Mark Pallotta, Chair)

Mr. Pallotta stated that he and Board Members Matt Jacques, John Myers, and Bob Mild, along with President Rose, Mr. Porto, and some of the Housing Staff, did a walk-through of campus housing. He expressed this was important that they did this so that they now have a better understanding of the dollars being spent and it also enables the Board to be able to answer any questions individuals in the Community may have.

He then asked Rick Porto, Vice President of Administrative and Fiscal Affairs, to summarize the remainder of the Finance Committee agenda items.


This was an information only item.

B. 2012 - 2013 Academic Year Fee

This was an information only item.
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C. Housing Master Plan Approval – Option B

Shirley Stanton made a motion to accept the Housing Master Plan Approval – Option B. Mark Pallotta seconded. The motion passed.

D. Capital Appropriation Request for FY 2014

John Myers made a motion to accept the Capital Appropriation Request for FY 2014. Matt Jacques seconded. The motion passed.

E. FY 2014 Appropriation Submission

Bryan Towns made a motion to accept the FY 2014 Appropriation Submission. Shirley Stanton seconded. The motion passed.

XI. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Ron, Tucker, Chair)

There were no items to bring forth by the Executive Committee.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Bryan Towns made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Matt Jacques seconded.

Ron Tucker
FSU Board of Governors’ Chairman

Robert Mitt
FSU Board of Governors’ Secretary