Fairmont State University Board of Governors – Executive Committee Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at 9:00am

Teams Meeting Minutes

Present: Jennifer Kinty, Jason Pizatella, Wendy Adkins, Dr. Gina Fantasia, Jon Dodds, JD DeVaul, President Michael Davis, Dr. Brian Selmeski, Tanner James, George Wolf, Dr. Janna Bredeson, Monica Cochran, Cheryl Lewis

Absent: none

Call to Order

Chair Jennifer Kinty called the April $\,$ 15th Executive Committee meeting to order at approximately 9:10 am.

Fundraising Priorities Update

President Davis discussed the following:

- Access Scholarship
 - Tuition-free guarantee for WV residents or a graduate of a WV high school with a household income of \$70,000 or less
 - 2. Naming opportunity for a donor.
- Veteran's, 1st Generation Students (Datha and Gene Scholarship,) "Bring back Freshman Counselor"
- Nursing Simulation Lab
 - 1. Naming opportunities for areas inside the lab
- Athletic Facilities Fundraising Opportunities
 - 1. Softball Field
 - 2. Football Scoreboard
 - 3. Feaster Center Locker rooms
- Foundation discussed potential changes to naming policy.
- Executive Committee of Fairmont State University's Board of Governors and the Executive Committee of the Foundation meet on May 31, 2025, and will discuss fundraising priorities and a capital campaign. List of fundraising priorities will be provided.
- Future Fundraising Opportunities: Potential Science building and Potential Athletic Field Club

Chair Updates

Chair Jennifer Kinty acknowledged House Bill 3279.

President Michael Davis discussed the following Legislative updates:

- House Bill 3279
 - Correspondence sent on April 14, 2025, to campus community on commitment to shared governance.

- 2. Tanner James, General Counsel, will consult with the Attorney General on specific guidelines of House Bill 3279 as it pertains to the Board of Governors Staff and Faculty Representatives.
- Senate Bill 456- "Sex Definitions and Preservation of Single-Sex Spaces"
- Guarantee Course Transfer
 - 1. Review internal credit awarding process
 - 2. Possible Faculty stipends for summer to meet the demand
- Eliminating DEI Bill
 - 1. Mostly aimed at hiring and college admissions
 - 2. Possible effects of Governor's Executive order
 - 3. Need to focus on International Student population
- Mandatory FAFSA Completion
 - 1. Did not pass

Executive Session

- Jason Pizatella made a motion to go into executive session, pursuant to West Virginia Code \$6-9A-4(b)(9) and (b)(12) to discuss matters involving advance construction planning and the potential lease of university-owned property and for a privileged and confidential report on open and pending litigation.
- Jason Pizatella made a motion to rise from executive session. Wendy Adkins seconded. The motion passed.
- Chair Kinty advised that no action or votes were taken in executive session.

Adjournment

Chair, Jennifer Kinty, adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:32 am

Jennifer Kinty, Committee Chair

Date