

# June 2025 Bylaws Committee Meeting Minutes

June 9, 2025, 9;00am – 10:30am

### Hardway 219 and Teams

#### Present:

**In Person:** Gina Fantasia, Drew Paton, Tanner James, Brian Selmeski, President Michael Davis, Lance Puccio, Cheryl Lewis, Allen Bedford

Teams: George Wolf, Jason Pizatella, Jill Sole

Absent: Jon Dodds, JD DeVaul

#### A. Call to Order:

Committee Chair, Gina Fantasia called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM.

### B. Agenda Items:

# Discuss Rights of Institutional Stakeholder (Advisory) Members of the Board

- Tanner James provided an overview of House Bill 3279, which outlines the roles
  of institutional stakeholder members (faculty, staff, and student representatives)
  on the Board.
- The Committee reached a consensus that BOG Policy 56 Board Operating Procedures be amended, in accordance with the provisions of HB 3279, to reflect the statutory removal of the voting authority of the institutional stakeholder members representing Faculty, Staff and Students.
- The Committee had a thoughtful discussion concerning the impact of HB 3279. It was the consensus of the Committee to recommend that BOG Policy 56 include a statement concerning the importance of the active and robust participation of those institutionally elected members to the proper operation of the BOG and the long-term effectiveness of Fairmont State University. It was the further consensus of the Committee to recommend the BOG encourage the participation of the institutionally elected members to the fullest extent permitted under West Virginia law.



## Public Comment Recommendation

Committee Chair, Gina Fantasia recommended reinstating Public Comment at Board meetings, with a time limit for each speaker to be determined. The Committee consensus was to recommend the reinstatement of Public Comment at each BOG meeting.

## C. Adjournment:

Committee Chair Gina Fantasia adjourned the meeting at 9:45 AM.

Gina Fantasia, Committee Chair

Date