



FAIRMONT STATE UNIVERSITY  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**MAY 3, 2012, 9:00 A.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

A. Roll Call

Chairman Ron Tucker convened a meeting of the Fairmont State University (FSU) Board of Governors on May 3, 2012, beginning at approximately 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at the Falcon Center, 1201 Locust Avenue, Fairmont, West Virginia.

Present for the meeting were board members Robert Mild, Matt Jacques, Scott Ullom, John Myers, Mark Pallotta, Shirley Stanton, Skip Tarasuk, Bryan Towns, Ron Tucker, Frank Washenitz, and Dixie Yann. Board member Bob White participated via conference call. Also in attendance were FSU Interim President Rose and President's Council members Ann Booth, Fred Fidura, Bill Finley, Christina Lavorata, Rick Porto, and David Tamm.

At the request of Chairman Tucker, Judy Biafore conducted a roll call of the Board of Governors. All members were present.

B. Public Comment

Skip Tarasuk reported that no one signed up for public comment.

C. Approval of Agenda

Bob Mild made a motion to approve the agenda. Scott Ullom seconded. The motion passed.

D. Presentation of Housing Master Plan (Information Only)

Rick Porto, Vice President of Administration and Finance, introduced Stephanie Slaubaugh, Construction Manager, and Dan Gockley, Director of Housing, to give an overview and update on the 20- year master plan for housing. This included compliance issues, renovation issues, and new construction concerning the residence halls on campus.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 16, 2012**

Bob Mild moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 16, 2012. Mark Pallotta seconded. The motion passed.

**III. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

- A. Chairman Tucker stated that Fairmont State has recognized faculty, staff, and students through a variety of celebrations. Each school or college has an individual ceremony to recognize both students and faculty. There have also been ceremonies recognizing outstanding athletes, student government members, and freshman counselors. In addition, there was a faculty recognition ceremony for the entire university and a retirement reception for retiring faculty and staff.
- B. The Chairman also reminded everyone that Commencement will be May 12th and Marvin Stewart will be the commencement speaker. All Board members are invited to a brunch before the ceremony at the Shaw House which begins at 11:00 a.m.
- C. He also reported that Saturday will be PNC Day in the Park. The tailgate begins at 5:00 p.m. and the game begins at 7:05 p.m.
- D. July 20-21 is the date for the Board of Governors Summit at Stonewall Jackson Resort sponsored by the Higher Education Policy Commission. All Board members attending will receive 6 hours of training credit. Also, those of you who attended the AGB training on March 23<sup>rd</sup> received 3 hours of training credit.

**IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- A. President Rose stated that the third revision of the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Self-Study was underway with the assistance of former Vice-President of Academic Affairs, Dr. Dean Peters. This summer the HLC website will be updated and a resource room will be getting underway.
- B. The President reported that the Title III Strengthening Institutions Grant to help retention rates was submitted. Amantha Cole did an excellent job in leading the completion of this very desirable grant that if awarded to FSU could result in 1.9 million dollars over the next five years. Dr. Tony Gilberti and Gina Fantasia worked very hard and were also very instrumental in submitting the grant.
- C. She reported that the IBM Initiative has now been underway for one year. Students have gone to New York City and have interviewed on Wall Street and two students have already received jobs.
- D. President Rose reported that the Concrete Canoe Team won the Regional Competition and now they will go to the National Completion in Reno, NV.
- E. President Rose stated that the FSU Board of Governors' approved program for TeleCounseling report for April shows that over 500 students were contacted who had not yet enrolled. She indicated that this program is yielding good results.

**V. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

A. Foundation (Kim Pellillo)

Craig Shaffer, Director of the FS Foundation, reported that the Neighborhood Investment Project (NIP) has now been in existence for seven years and that the West Virginia Development Office has issued \$31,000 in supplemental credits to be used by 6/30/12.

Mr. Shaffer and FS Foundation members Cannon Wadsworth and Bob Kidwell are working with Dr. Fred Fidura of Institutional Advancement in securing funds for the OSIX program.

He also stated that the Spring Athletic Banquet last weekend had about 290 people in attendance.

Mr. Shaffer stated that the FSAA Golf Tournament will be May 18, 2012, at the Bridgeport Country Club, with registration at 11:30 a.m. and a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m.

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

Scott Ullom moved to accept the following Consent Agenda as presented.

- A. Financial Reports (November 2011 and December 2011)
- B. Capital Projects FY 2012

Skip Tarasuk seconded. The motion passed.

**VII. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS/ADMISSIONS**

Dr. Christina Lavorata, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs reported for the committee.

A. Master of Human Services Degree (Information Only)

Dr. Lavorata reported that the Master of Human Services Degree would be discontinued.

B. Program Reviews

John Myers made a motion to approve the following Program Reviews: Associate of Science in Architectural Engineering Technology, Associate of Science in Civil Engineering Technology, Associate of Science in Electronics Engineering Technology, Associate of Science in Mechanical Engineering Technology, Associate of Science in Safety Engineering Technology, Bachelor of Science in Accounting, Bachelor of Science in Architecture,

Bachelor of Science in Aviation Technology, Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering Technology, Bachelor of Science in Electronics Engineering Technology, Bachelor of Science in Information Systems Management, Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering Technology, Bachelor of Science in Occupational Safety.

Scott Ullom seconded the motion to approve. The motion passed.

**VIII. STUDENT LIFE COMMITTEE (Skip Tarasuk, Chair)**

Mr. Tarasuk reported that students are preparing for final exams for the spring term and Scott Ullom invited everyone to the Student's Final Fling picnic in front of the Falcon Center at 12:30 p.m. this day.

**IX. FINANCE COMMITTEE (Mark Pallotta, Chair)**

Mr. Pallotta stated that the Finance Committee agreed with President Rose's recommendation not to raise tuition for next year. They also agree with small increases for residential life and meal tickets which still puts our institution at or lower with other institutions in the state.

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

**A. Approval of Tuition and Fee Request**

Matt Jacques made a motion to approve the Tuition and Fee Request. Mark Pallotta seconded. The motion passed.

**B. Tuition and Fee Policy 16 Update (for 30 day comment period)**

Mark Pallotta made a motion to approve the 30 day comment period for the Tuition and Fee Policy 16. Scott Ullom seconded. The motion passed.

**C. Feaster Center Pool Facility**

Scott Ullom made a motion to approve the renovation of the Feaster Center Pool Facility as proposed. Dixie Yann seconded. The motion passed.

**D. 2013 Step Increase for Classified Staff**

Mark Pallotta made a motion to approve the 2013 Step Increase for Classified Staff. Scott Ullom seconded. The motion passed.

**E. Amendatory Resolution Bond Refunding**

Shirley Stanton made a motion to approve the Amendatory Resolution Bond Refunding. Dixie Yann seconded. The motion passed.

**X. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Ron, Tucker, Chair)**

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

**XI. BY-LAWS COMMITTEE (Shirley Stanton, Chair)**

There were no items to bring forth by the By-Laws Committee.

**XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Bob Mild made a motion to go into Executive Session, Scott Ullom seconded. The motion passed.

Shirley Stanton made a motion to reconvene in open session. Mark Pallotta seconded. The motion passed.

Skip Tarasuk made a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation to hire Dr. Maria Rose as the next Fairmont State University President. Mark Pallotta seconded. Chairman Tucker requested a roll call vote and the result was eleven "yes" votes with one member, Bob Mild, not voting because he left prior to the end of the executive session. The motion passed.

Mark Pallotta made a motion to authorize Chairman Tucker to negotiate a compensation package for President Elect Rose. Shirley Stanton seconded. The motion passed.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Skip Tarasuk moved to adjourn the meeting. Dixie Yann seconded. The motion passed.

  
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Ron Tucker

FSU Board of Governors' Chairman

  
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Robert Mild

FSU Board of Governors' Secretary