

MINUTES
WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY AT PARKERSBURG
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
April 7, 2010

A regular meeting of the West Virginia University at Parkersburg Board of Governors was held on Wednesday, April 7, 2010 at the Jackson County Center of WVU Parkersburg beginning at 6:00 p.m. Board members present were: Joe Campbell, Curtis Miller, Keith Burdette, Gerard ElChaar, Cindy Bullock, Matthew Santer, Violet Mosser, Teresa Wamer, and Gregory K. Smith. Absent was Rock Wilson. Others present included Dr. Marie Foster Gnage and Patsy Bee.

Guests present included administrators, faculty, staff, students, members of the community, and members of the Legislative Delegation.

1. Call to Order

Mr. Campbell, Chair of the WVU at Parkersburg Board of Governors, called the meeting to order.

2. Roll Call

Roll Call was taken by Patsy Bee, Executive Assistant to the President, noting that a quorum was present.

3. Board Chair Report

Chairman Campbell welcomed guests and thanked those that traveled to Ripley to attend the meeting. Mr. Campbell also thanked Mr. McCoy for allowing the college to use the McCoy Conference Center for the meeting. Mr. Campbell announced that a Spring Board Retreat will be held on May 5, beginning with brunch at 10:00 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. A self-evaluation of the Board will need to be done, and a copy of the evaluation will be distributed to Board members in the next few days. Board members will need to complete and return the evaluation. Mr. Campbell reminded Board members of required Board training. Each Board member is required to complete six hours of training. Board members will receive two hours credit for the Board Retreat held in November. The WV Council for Community and Technical College is planning Board training which was originally scheduled for May 20, but will be rescheduled to a later date. Board members will receive three hours credit for attending that training session. Current Board members will need to complete their training by June 30, 2011. Mr. Campbell appointed a nomination committee to elect officers for 2010-2011. Those appointed to serve on the committee were Cindy Bullock (Chair), Matt Santer, and Curtis Miller.

4. Executive Session under the authority of WV Code §6-9A-4-2A

Chairman Campbell reported that two items need to be discussed in Executive Session: Progress on President's Evaluation, and Honorary Degrees. Mr. Campbell entertained a motion to go into Executive Session. Mr. Miller moved that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss progress on President's Evaluation and Honorary Degrees. Ms. Bullock seconded the motion. The motion passed and the Board went into Executive Session at approximately 6:16 p.m. At approximately 6:30 p.m., Mr. ElChaar moved that the Board return from Executive Session. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed.

5. Minutes

Minutes of the regular Board meeting scheduled on February 10 were approved upon a motion by Mr. Burdette and second by Ms. Mosser.

6. President's Report

President Gnage welcomed guests, and thanked Mr. John Gorrell, Director of the Jackson County Center, for hosting the Board meeting and providing Board members with a tour of the Jackson County Center and the McCoy Conference Center. She also thanked Mr. John McCoy, owner of the McCoy Conference Center for allowing the Board to hold their meeting at the location that WVU Parkersburg hopes to purchase at some point in the future for the expansion of the Jackson County Center. President Gnage also thanked Legislators for making sure that \$400,000 was added to the State budget for WVU Parkersburg even though it was part of the line item veto from the Governor. President Gnage provided an update to the Board on campus activities noting that the new Strategic Plan goals would be used as a guide for her report to the Board. President Gnage noted that in addition to the 5% cut in budget for next year, the college will also have to incur additional increases for employee insurance, PEIA. In addition at the Governor's request, the WV Council for Community and Technical Colleges approved no tuition increases for any of the State community and technical colleges. President Gnage noted that WVU Parkersburg has the lowest tuition of all two and four-year colleges in the State. President Gnage also reported on her trip to Washington DC to meet with Senator Byrd's staff, Congresswoman Capito, and Congressman Mollohan to hopefully obtain funding to improve the Downtown Center, Science Labs on Campus, and the expansion of the Jackson County Center.

President Gnage introduced Ms. Lisa Flowers-Clements, Chair of WVU Parkersburg Faculty Senate, who made a presentation to the Board on behalf of the faculty at West Virginia University at Parkersburg.

Committee Reports

- Campus Development Committee – Mr. Curtis Miller, Chair
Mr. Miller reported that the Campus Development Committee met to discuss benchmarking naming policies/campaigns; comprehensive master plan; and bond inquiry results.

- Executive Committee – Mr. Joe Campbell, Chair

The Executive Committee did not meet.

- Audit Review Committee – Mr. Rock Wilson, Chair

The Audit Review Committee did not meet.

- Administrative Services Committee—Mr. Gerard ElChaar/Mr. Greg Smith Co-Chairs

Mr. Smith reported that updates were provided on Facilities and Capital Planning including an elevator control upgrade; Caperton Center HVAC project; roofing project; Downtown Center; storage building; and in-house renovations; Information Technology projects such as a JCC Network upgrade; IP phone new testing; main campus wiring and wireless projects; JCC wiring; update on new scheduling program; network storage and backups; and Windows 7. Human Resources updates were provided on open enrollment and job searches, and an update was provided on the Chief Financial Officer position.

- Academic and Student Services Committee – Ms. Cindy Bullock, Chair

Ms. Bullock reported that Academic Affairs provided updates on data from Fall 2009 semester academic programs; faculty searches for Fall 2010; Department of Labor site visit; and new program updates. Workforce and Community Education reported on process technology/PAZ update; WorkKeys update; and service to business and industry. Student Services provided an update on enrollment; wellness and fitness center; scholarship programs; athletic clubs and a preview for 2010-2011.

7. Action Items

- Tuition and Fees

Following a report by President Gnage, Mr. Smith moved to approve the following resolution:

Resolved, That the West Virginia University at Parkersburg Board of Governors approves Student Fees for 2010-2011 as presented.

Mr. Miller seconded the motion. After questions and discussion regarding student fees, the motion passed.

- Five-Year Program Reviews

Following a report by Dr. Richards, Sr. Vice President for Academic Affairs, Mr. Burdette moved to approve the following resolution:

Resolved, That the West Virginia University at Parkersburg Board of Governors approves the recommendations of the Outcomes Assessment Committee regarding program reviews for 2009-10.

Mr. Santer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- Honorary Degrees

As discussed during Executive Session, Mr. Miller moved to approve the following resolution:

Resolved, That the West Virginia University at Parkersburg Board of Governors approves two individuals for Honorary Degrees from West Virginia University at Parkersburg, as named by President Gnage and to be announced publicly at the May 15 Commencement.

Ms. Bullock seconded the motion. Motion passed.

8. Information Items

- Faculty Emeritus

Dr. Richards announced that Les Bennett, who joined the faculty at WVU Parkersburg in 1975 and was a full professor in the Education and Humanities Division until his retirement, has been named Professor Emeritus of English.

- Sabbatical Leave

Dr. Richards announced that Edward L. Crisp, Ph.D., Professor of Geology, was awarded Sabbatical Leave during the Fall 2010 semester.

- Comprehensive Master Plan

President Gnage asked Board members to continue to review the Comprehensive Master Plan. Some changes to the plan are still being finalized to include a student center and a new landscape map. It should be ready to present to the Board for approval at the June meeting.

9. Consent Agenda

There were no Consent Agenda items.

10. Board Comments/Announcements

- Employee Recognition Brunch – May 5, Multi-Purpose Room
- Nurses Pinning – Friday, May 14, 7:00 p.m. Multi-Purpose Room
- Commencement – Saturday, May 15, 2:00 p.m., Multi-Purpose Room
- Teresa Wamer announced that Student Government Elections will soon be held and they are also working on a new draft for the Student Government

11. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the WVU at Parkersburg Board of Governors is scheduled for Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at the WVU Parkersburg main campus.

12. Adjournment

With no further business to be discussed, Mr. Burdette moved that the meeting be adjourned, Mr. Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Patsy Bee
Executive Assistant to the President

Joe D. Campbell, Chairman

Keith Burdette, Secretary