

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF GOVERNORS

October 8, 2008

The sixty-eighth meeting of the West Virginia University Board of Governors (scheduled as a telephone meeting) was held on October 8, 2008, with the call originating in the Stewart Hall President's Conference Room. Board members participating by telephone included Ellen Cappellanti, James Dailey, Ray Lane, Carolyn Long, Oliver Luck, Ted Mattern, Parry Petroplus, and Ed Robinson. Board members attending in person included Dr. Tom Clark, Jason Parsons, Dr. Steve Kite, and Drew Payne. Board members Steve Goodwin, Paul Martinelli, Bill Nutting, and Dr. Charles Vest were absent and excused.

WVU officers and representatives present were:

Interim President C. Peter Magrath;
Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research, E. Jane Martin;
Interim Vice President for Health Sciences, Fred Butcher;
Vice President for Administration, Finance & Human Resources, Narvel Weese;
Vice President for Advancement & Marketing, Chris Martin;
Vice President for Legal Affairs & General Counsel, & Assistant BOG Secretary, Bobbie Brandt;
Executive Officer for Policy Development, Jennifer Fisher;
Executive Director, Internal Communications, Becky Lofstead;
Special Assistant to the Provost, Jessica Thomas; and,
Special Assistant to the President, Valerie Lopez.

Members of the Press were also present.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Carolyn Long, at 3:00 p.m. A roll call was taken to determine who was in attendance and a quorum established.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Tom Clark moved that the minutes of the meeting of September 12, 2008 be approved. The motion was seconded by Drew Payne and passed.

BOARD ITEMS

Approval of WVU Presidential Search Committee Membership

The first board item was approval of the WVU Presidential Search Committee Membership. During its September 12, 2008 meeting, the Board approved not only a proposed presidential search process, which identified the search committee membership composition, but

also the selection of the Chair and BOG representatives to serve on this search committee. Chairman Long subsequently advised the remaining constituency groups that they had until October 1, 2008 to submit the name(s) of their respective selection(s) to serve as members of the WVU Presidential Search Committee.

Chairman Long asked if any Board member would like to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the proposed constituency representatives. No member in attendance requested such action, and Chairman Long announced, for Board approval, the names of the constituency designees she received as proposed representatives to serve on the WVU Presidential Search Committee, which included:

Representing the faculty will be: (1) Lesley Cottrell, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Section Chief: Epidemiological, Psychosocial, & Behavioral Research, Department of Pediatrics, WVU School of Medicine; (2) Lawrence A. Hornak, Ph.D., Robert C. Byrd Distinguished Professor, Lane Department of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering, Director, NSF Industry/University Cooperative Research Center in Identification Technologies (CITeR), WVU College of Engineering and Mineral Resources; and (3) Earl Scime, Ph.D., Robert C. Byrd Distinguished Professor and Chair, Department of Physics, WVU Eberly College of Arts and Sciences.

Classified staff representatives will be: (1) Jo Y. Morrow, Program Assistant in the Division of Business Administration of the WVU College of Business and Economics; and (2) Lana Cooke, Business Manager of Operations for the Administration and Finance Business Office at WVU.

Student representatives will be: (1) Ron K. Cheng, a sophomore political science major, and (2) Stephanie Busby, a first-year School of Medicine student. (Note: This group also identified Kacie Kidd, a junior biology major, as an alternate student representative.)

The WVU Foundation's representative is Dan R. Moore, a Charleston businessman and Chairman of the WVU Foundation Board of Directors.

Representing the WVU Alumni Association is Phillip D. Gaujot, an administrative law judge from Morgantown and a member of the WVU Alumni Association Board of Directors.

The WVU Mountaineer Parents Club representative is Harry G. Shaffer III, an attorney and member of the parents club from Madison, WV.

There being no further discussion, James Dailey moved that the Board accept the nominations for representatives to serve on the WVU Presidential Search Committee as submitted by these constituencies, which motion was seconded by Dr. Steve Kite and passed. These members will serve on the WVU Presidential Search Committee with Dr. Gene Budig, as Chair, along with Carolyn Long and Dr. Charles Vest, as BOG representatives, and Ken Gray, Vice President for Student Affairs, and Russ Dean, Senior Associate Provost in the Office of Academic Affairs, representing the administration.

Chairman Long stated that biographical sketches of all search committee members will, at the conclusion of this meeting, be available on the WVU Presidential Search Committee website. She went on to thank all of the constituencies for the time and thought that went into these selections.

Approval of Desired Presidential Attributes/Characteristics

During its September 12, 2008 meeting, the Board approved a proposed presidential search process, which included an initial list of elements for consideration in formulating a statement of desired characteristics for a new president. Also during the discussion of this agenda item on September 12, 2008, Chairman Long solicited public comments related to the desired attributes/characteristics for the next president at West Virginia University. Various constituencies subsequently submitted additional attributes/characteristics - which Chairman Long incorporated into a *Presidential Attributes – Draft*, now submitted for Board approval and submission to the Presidential Search Committee for further development and publication, as appropriate.

Dr. Kite added that he would like to see a stronger recognition of the multi-campus component of our University included within the attributes/characteristics. Chairman Long indicated that the Presidential Search Committee will have the ability to add this, as well as other characteristics, to the list. There being no further discussion, Ellen Cappellanti moved that the Board approve the *Presidential Attributes – Draft*, as submitted, which motion was seconded by Ed Robinson and passed. Chairman Long will submit the list to the search committee, for further development and publication, as appropriate. Chairman Long also indicated that, following today's meeting, this list will be available on the WVU Presidential Search Committee website.

Approval of appointment of BOG Members to the West Virginia University Hospitals Board of Directors, the West Virginia United Health System Board of Directors, and the West Virginia University Health Sciences Center National Advisory Council

Ted Mattern, as Chair of a nominating committee named by Chairman Long at the Board's September 12, 2008 meeting, submitted, for Board approval, his committee's recommendations on appointment of BOG members – as follows:

Dr. Tom Clark to serve on the West Virginia University Hospitals Board of Directors;
Ellen Cappellanti to serve on the West Virginia United Health System Board of Directors; and,
Steve Goodwin to serve on the West Virginia University Health Sciences Center National Advisory Council.

Mr. Mattern further proposed that Chairman Long or Vice-Chairman Payne serve as an alternate BOG representative should any member named above be unavailable to attend any of the scheduled meetings. Chairman Long stated that she would be pleased to serve as the alternate BOG representative.

Mr. Mattern stated that these representatives will report to the Board on their interactions in attending these meetings, and further thanked his fellow nominating committee members, Ed Robinson and Steve Goodwin, for their participation in this process.

There being no further discussion, Parry Petroplus moved that the Board approve the nominations, as submitted, which motion was seconded by Drew Payne and passed. Chairman Long thanks all Board members involved for their willingness to serve in these capacities.

Discussion of structure/scheduling of future Board of Governors (BOG) committee meetings

Chairman Long stated that multiple committee meetings have not been held during the past few years and that, after review and discussion with other Board members, she would like to incorporate this structure within our current meeting schedule. Before entertaining a discussion on this topic, Chairman Long introduced General Counsel, Bobbie Brandt, who provided a brief synopsis of a recent Ethics Commission advisory opinion regarding the applicability of the Open Governmental Proceedings Act to meetings of BOG committees. The crux of this overview was that any BOG committee or subcommittee that makes recommendations regarding actions to be taken by the BOG should conduct its meetings in accordance with the Act's provisions of public notice and access, in the same manner as the full Board of Governros.

Chairman Long announced that the Audit Committee would continue to meet on the Thursday before our regular Board meetings. Following a discussion among Board members of the possible committee structures under consideration, it was decided that we will try scheduling our executive session first, followed by two separate meeting slots (during each of which two concurrent committee meetings will occur), lunch, and the balance of our regular meeting schedule. Chairman Long stated that the Board will incorporate this schedule into our next meeting agenda.

NEXT MEETING

Chairman Long announced that the next meeting will be held on November 6-7, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Ellen Cappellanti moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Dr. Tom Clark and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

John T. Mattern, Secretary