

**WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY**  
**BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

April 8, 2005

The thirtieth meeting of the West Virginia University Board of Governors was held on April 8, 2005, in the Rhododendron Room of the WVU Mountainlair. Board members in attendance were Hank Barnette, Joe Campbell, Betty Chilton, Russ Isaacs, Vaughn Kiger, Doug Leech, Joe Lopez, Paul Martinelli, Parry Petroplus, Ralph Sevy, Michael Vetere, Robert Wells, Chris Wilkinson and Jordan Workman. Steve Farmer, Steve Goodwin, and Rod Thorn were absent and excused. Mr. Vetere and Mr. Barnette were excused for the afternoon session.

WVU officers, and regional campus officers and representatives present were:

**From WVU:**

President David C. Hardesty, Jr.;  
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research, Gerald Lang;  
Vice President for Student Affairs, Ken Gray;  
Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Christine Martin;  
Chief of Staff, Margaret Phillips;  
General Counsel, Tom Dorer;  
Executive Officer for Social Justice, Jennifer McIntosh;  
Associate Provost, Russell Dean;  
Interim Associate Vice President for Finance, John Williams;  
Associate Vice President for Facilities Management, Joe Fisher;  
Dean of Students, David Stewart;  
Assistant Vice President, Enrollment Management, Brenda Thompson;  
Executive Director of Student Affairs, Mary Collins;  
Special Assistant to the President/Provost, & Assistant BOG Secretary, Ginny Petersen;  
Director of University News Service, Becky Lofstead;  
President, WVU Alumni Association, Stephen Douglas;  
Assistant to the President/Chief of Staff, Jennifer Fisher;  
Special Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs, Sheila Powell;  
President of the Faculty Senate, Larry Hornak;  
President-elect of the Faculty Senate, Michael Lastinger;  
Student body President, D.J. Casto  
Student Body Vice President, Shannon Logan

**From WVU at Parkersburg:**

Jack Simpkin, Chief Financial Officer, WVUP

**From West Virginia University Institute of Technology:**

Charles Bayless, Campus President and Regional Vice President, WVU;  
Lanny Janeksela, Vice President for Academic Affairs, WVUIT

**From the Community & Technical College of West Virginia University Institute of Technology:**

Denise Kerby, Budget Officer

**From Potomac State College of West Virginia University:**

Kerry Odell, Interim Campus President and Regional Vice President, WVU;

**A member of the Press and several Journalism students were also present.**

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Doug Leech at 8:30 a.m.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President David Hardesty introduced the new President of West Virginia University Institute of Technology, Mr. Charles Bayless, and asked him to address the Board.

President Bayless gave a brief description of his background and ties to West Virginia University Institute of Technology and WVU, and introduced his wife, Joan, noting that she will be involved with recruiting students for the Tech campus. He also spoke of his plans for moving WVUIT forward in the coming years.

President Hardesty thanked Mrs. Chilton for the *Charleston Gazette's* support of the Festival of Ideas in Charleston, the *Gazettes'* excellent coverage of President Bayless's hiring at West Virginia University Institute of Technology, and for her attendance in support of President Gnage's installation as president of WVU-Parkersburg.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Barnette moved that the West Virginia University Board of Governors go into executive session pursuant to West Virginia Code §6-9A-4(2)(A) to discuss personnel and management issues. The motion was seconded and passed, and the Board thereupon met in executive session. Following the discussion, Dr. Wilkinson moved that the Board rise from executive session. The motion was seconded and passed\*.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Wells moved that the minutes of the meeting of February 11, 2005 be approved as written. The motion was seconded and passed.

## **RECESS**

Chairman Leech declared the meeting in recess to allow committees to meet.

The meeting reconvened at 12:40 p.m.

## **OTHER OFFICER REPORTS**

Provost Jerry Lang gave a progress report on the strategic planning process underway, and an update on the searches for a Dean of Business & Economics, a Dean of the Eberly College of Arts & Sciences, and a Provost for Potomac State College of WVU.

**\*Unless otherwise stated, all motions were passed unanimously.**

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Audit Committee:** Joe Campbell, reporting for Chairman Barnette, noted that the Audit Committee had met with representatives of Deloitte & Touche, the University's auditors, to review plans for the annual audit. They heard reports from several university officials, but had no action items to bring to the Board.

**Executive Committee:** Doug Leech, Chairman of the Executive Committee, reported that the committee met on April 7, 2005. They heard a report about the current strategic planning process, discussed the proposed legislation and budget, and were supportive of the efforts to enact SB603. They heard a report from the General Counsel, and authorized a compensation study on the seven top executives at WVU, to comply with the Sarbanne-Oxley legislation.

**Academic Affairs:** Robert Wells, Acting Chairman of the Academic Affairs Committee, reported that the Academic Affairs Committee had considered and would recommend four action items, including programs reviewed this year and a restructuring of the Ph.D. Training Programs in the Biomedical Sciences. At Chairman Wells' request, Provost Lang gave a short explanation of the Salary Enhancement Program for senior faculty that was also one of the action items.

Regarding program review: Dr. Wilkinson noted that the program review process for graduate programs would be strengthened by the use of external reviewers in future years, and that outcome assessment would also be enhanced.

**Business Affairs:** Parry Petroplus, Chairman of the Business Affairs Committee, reported that the committee had considered three action items, which they recommended be approved by the board, and received updates on WVU's Financial Indicators, Financial Plan, and Capital Projects.

**University Relations & Health Sciences Committees:** Joe Lopez, Chairman of the Health Sciences Committee, reported that the two committees had met jointly, as a committee of the whole, to hear a report from President Hardesty on SB603, the Flexibility Bill currently before the legislature. He noted the inclusion of a provision in the bill that would allow the Health Sciences Center to partially self-insure, if so desired. The Committee also heard a report from Vice President Gray on the preparation and proactive steps taken before the anticipated celebration of an NCAA basketball victory. He noted the while problems continue to exist, they represent a very small percentage of the community, and that efforts continue to focus on improvement.

## ACTION ITEMS

Based on discussions of each item at the respective Committee meeting, an explanation of each, if requested, to the full board, and recommendations for approval by the appropriate committee, Mr. Leech asked for final discussion on any action item.

There being no further questions, upon motion duly made by Mr. Isaacs and seconded, the following items were approved unanimously.

- 1. Approval of an Honorary Degree**  
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approve the granting of an Honorary Degree by the West Virginia University Institute of Technology, information on the degree recipient to be released at a later date.
- 2. Appointment to the United Health System Board**  
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors appoint Mark Nesselroad to the United Health System Board of Directors as the designee of the Board of Governors.
- 3. Extension of a Leave of Absence**  
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the extension of a leave of absence for Dr. Rosemary Haggett
- 4. Approval of a Revised Mission Statement**  
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the Updated West Virginia University Mission Statement.
- 5. Approval of a Faculty Salary Enhancement Program**  
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors hereby approves the WVU plan for Salary Enhancement for Continued Academic Achievement.
- 6. Approval of a Bachelor of Applied Science with an Emphasis on Criminal Justice at PSC of WVU**  
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the implementation of the Bachelor of Applied Science with an emphasis in Criminal Justice at Potomac State College of West Virginia University, subject to approval of the Higher Education Policy Commission.
- 7. Program Review Recommendations**  
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approve the recommendations of the Program Review Committee for 2004-2005.
- 8. HEPC Program Review Recommendations**  
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors recommend the retention of low-enrollment courses identified for termination by the HEPC.
- 9. Restructuring of the Ph.D. Training Programs in the Biomedical Sciences**  
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the Restructuring of the Ph.D. Training Programs in the Biomedical Sciences
- 10. Tuition & Fees**  
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves Tuition & Fees for the Community and Technical College at West Virginia University Institute of Technology, not to exceed the level proposed.
- 11. Tuition & Fees**  
Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves Tuition & Fees for West Virginia University at Parkersburg, not to exceed the level proposed.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

Jordan Workman, Student Representative to the Board, presented his annual report of the students. His theme was communications between students and administration.

Mr. Workman introduced D.J. Casto and Shannon Logan, the new SGA president and vice-president.

Since this was the last meeting Mr. Workman was going to be able to attend before going off the board, Mr. Leech presented Mr. Workman with a resolution commending him for his work on the Board of Governors.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Chairman Leech distributed copies of the April 8<sup>th</sup> *Daily Athenaeum*, noting the prominent ad featuring BOG Member Vaughn Kiger as the recipient of the Richard T. Feller Outstanding Alumni Award. Congratulations were extended to Mr. Kiger.

President Hardesty reported that Dr. Vetere had tendered his resignation from the Board of Governors, since he will be leaving the State. Mr. Leech presented a resolution to be sent to Dr. Vetere commending his service on the BOG.

President Hardesty also noted that Mr. Sevy and Dr. Wilkinson would also be honored for their time on the Board at the June meeting.

## **NEXT MEETINGS**

Mr. Leech noted that there will be a BOG meeting by telephone at 9:00 a.m. on May 9, 2005, and that the June 3, 2005 meeting, which had been proposed for Charleston, will be held in Morgantown.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Virginia Petersen  
Assistant Secretary

**RESOLUTION HONORING**  
**Jordan N. Workman**

**WHEREAS:** Jordan N. Workman was duly elected by the students of West Virginia University as the 2004 - 2005 President of the Student Body; and

**WHEREAS:** This election also made Jordan Workman the student representative on the West Virginia University Board of Governors; and

**WHEREAS:** Jordan Workman was a faithful, participating member of the 2004 – 2005 West Virginia University Board of Governors; and

**WHEREAS:** Jordan Workman represented the interests and concerns of the students to the 2004 – 2005 West Virginia University Board of Governors forcefully and ably;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** That the West Virginia University Board of Governors wishes to express its thanks and appreciation to Jordan N. Workman for his service on the Board, and wishes him well in his future endeavors.

Douglas J. Leech  
Chairman  
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**RESOLUTION HONORING**  
**Michael J. Vetere, Jr.**

**WHEREAS:** Michael J. Vetere, Jr. was duly appointed to the West Virginia University Board of Governors by West Virginia Governor Bob Wise; and

**WHEREAS:** Michael J. Vetere was a faithful and contributing member of the 2003– 2005 West Virginia University Board of Governors, and

**WHEREAS:** Michael J. Vetere ably represented the interests of secondary education and the concerns of the people of West Virginia and the State of West Virginia while serving on the West Virginia University Board of Governors;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** That the West Virginia University Board of Governors wishes to express its thanks and appreciation to Michael J. Vetere, Jr. for his service on the Board, and wishes him well in his future endeavors.

Douglas J. Leech  
Chairman  
April 8, 2005