# WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS April 21, 2017

The one hundred forty seventh meeting of the West Virginia University Board of Governors was held on April 21, 2017 in Morgantown, WV. Board members in attendance/participating by telephone included David Alvarez, Marty Becker, Thomas Flaherty, Thomas Heywood, Dr. Stanley Hileman, J. Thomas Jones, Diane Lewis, Dixie Martinelli, Julie Merow, Taunja Willis Miller, Ed Robinson, J. Robert (J.R.) Rogers, Benjamin Statler, Dr. Richard Turton, Dr. Kimberly Weaver, and William Wilmoth. Board member, Gregory Babe, was absent and excused.

# WVU officers, divisional campus officers, representatives (and others) present included:

President, E. Gordon Gee; Vice President, Legal, Government and Entrepreneurial Engagement, Rob Alsop; Provost, Joyce McConnell; General Counsel, Stephanie Taylor; Vice President for Administration and Finance, Narvel Weese: Dean of Student, Corey Farris; Vice Provost, John Campbell; Vice President for Research, Fred King; Vice President for University Relations, Sharon Martin; Executive Officer and Assistant Board Secretary, Jennifer Fisher; Vice President for Talent and Culture, Cris DeBord: Vice President for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, David Fryson; Dean of the Eberly College of Arts and Sciences, Gregory Dunaway; President, West Virginia University Institute of Technology, Carolyn Long; Provost, West Virginia University Institute of Technology, Nigel Clark; Interim President, Potomac State College of West Virginia University, Jennifer Orlikoff; Vice President, Global Strategies and International Affairs, William Brustein; Vice President for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, David Fryson; Chief Financial Officer for WVU Health Sciences, Paula Congelio; Associate Vice President for Planning & Treasury Operations, Liz Reynolds; Associate Vice President for Facilities and Services, Randy Hudak; Director of Internal Audit, Bryan Shaver; Assistant Vice President for Strategic Action, Elizabeth Hamilton; Dean of Students, Corey Farris; Associate Provost for Undergraduate Academic Affairs, Sue Day-Perroots; Chair, WVU Tech Faculty Assembly, Gregory A. Lieving; Potomac State College Faculty Assembly Chair; Sheri Chisholm; Senior Executive Director of Communications, University Relations, John Bolt; and,

Special Assistant to the Board of Governors, Valerie Lopez.

#### Members of the Press were also present.

# CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman, Thomas V. Flaherty, at 8:40 a.m. A roll call was taken to determine who was in attendance and a quorum established.

# BOARD PRESENTATION Academic Affairs Updates

Provost Joyce McConnell shared the following updates:

#### Introduction of the Dean of the Eberly College of Arts and Sciences

During the November Board meeting, we introduced you all to a number of new administrators in Academic Affairs. One of the people I had hoped to introduce then could not be with us so today I am delighted that he is here today, and he'll be back to join us for lunch so you can all have a chance to talk to him. Greg Dunaway became the Dean of the Eberly College of Arts and Sciences just over a year ago. He came to us from Mississippi State University, where he spent 25 years of his career. Greg is an award-winning educator and sociologist who has conducted research on a number of justice programs, including an evaluation of Mississippi's Drug Court Program and a survey of their Juvenile Detention Facilities. He is also the past president of the Southern Criminal Justice Association. As Dean of Eberly, Greg now leads our largest and most diverse College. Eberly offers 34 undergraduate majors, 48 minors, and 13 doctoral degree programs. These courses are taught by more than 400 full-time faculty members, all of whom Greg oversees. Welcome, Greg! Thank you for being here.

#### 2017-2018 Campus Read

Our 2017-2018 Campus Read will be Hidden Figures: The Story of the African American Women Who Helped Win the Space Race. Several of the real-life women who are central characters in this important book have close ties to West Virginia, including Katherine Johnson—now 98 years old. Johnson was the first African American to attend graduate school at WVU. Last May, we recognized her with a Presidential Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters. We hope to make this year's Campus Read even more exciting and inclusive than last year's, so we will be soliciting ideas from around campus for events and programming. We've also brought a copy for each board member present today.

# Update on search for AP for Undergraduate Education

We've received a number of strong applications from current campus leaders for the position of Associate Provost of Undergraduate Education. We are committed to making this a confidential process and naming someone to the role by May.

# **Update on search for Chief Information Officer**

We identified four finalists for the position of Associate Provost for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer and brought them to campus earlier this month. Each candidate delivered a public presentation and met with a wide variety of stakeholders, including leadership and staff in ITS. Our new CIO will report directly to Vice Provost John Campbell, who hopes to have someone in the role by July 1.

# **Bucklew Scholars announced**

As you know, this is awards season, which we kick off with a dinner for our next class of Bucklew Scholars. These 20 extraordinary young people come to us from all around the state. They also take part in a rigorous interview process, after which five of them will be announced as WVU Foundation Scholars. We will announce the Foundation Scholars after Commencement, but I did want to tell you all how impressed I was—as I am every year—by our Bucklew Scholars. They are just wonderful: funny, self-deprecating, but also confident and ambitious. We are so very lucky and excited to have them coming to WVU in the fall.

# WVU students awarded prestigious national scholarships

Three WVU students were recently awarded Critical Language Scholarships from the US Department of State. These Scholarships are part of a program to dramatically expand the number of Americans studying and mastering critical foreign languages. This year's scholars will be traveling globally to study Arabic and Chinese.

Two junior honors engineering students have been awarded the Goldwater Scholarship, the nation's most prestigious award in mathematics, natural sciences, and engineering, bringing WVU's total number of Goldwater scholars to 44.

Seven WVU students have been offered the prestigious Boren Scholarship, created to encourage students to study less-taught languages from regions around the world. This is a record number for the institution (our previous high was three offered scholarships). It is also on par with the number offered to students at some of the most prestigious institutions in the country. If they accept these scholarships, our students will study in places as varied as Poland, Japan, Kazakhstan, and Jordan. All Boren winners also commit to working for the federal government for a year and receive priority hiring to do so.

Awards season is always exciting; we expect to hear more good news about our exceptional students in the coming weeks.

# **Student Innovator Good News**

Three WVU business students won third place and \$2,000 in a national business plan pitch competition for their new innovative method of tagging laboratory animals. Our students—two from the MD/PhD program and one MBA student, competed in a SharkTank-style format and beat out teams from MIT, UCLA, and more than 30 other universities around the country.

Closer to home, WVU LaunchLab's inaugural March Idea Challenge asked students to submit video pitches for new ventures. Students competed for \$3000 in prize money from Huntington National Bank, presenting live pitches for their startups to judges. First place went to two students who proposed a start-up nonprofit company that provides food and personal hygiene items to k-12 students in Mon County public schools.

# **Scholarship Celebration**

On Thursday, March 16 we held our second annual celebration of books, CDs, exhibits, films, and other various types of longer scholarly and creative works produced by our faculty and staff from around campus. This year we recognized the accomplishments of 49 people. This is a new event, but it is already tremendously well-received—people bring their parents, their spouses, their children and seem truly excited to be recognized for their work. I believe Valerie has shared this year's program with you, just so you can see the depth and diversity of the work being produced across campus.

# **Faculty Awards**

Last Thursday, we honored 21 outstanding faculty and staff members at the annual Faculty and Staff Awards dinner. Among many other prestigious awards, the Caperton Award for Excellence in the Teaching of Writing was awarded for the first time since 2012 to Dr. Kate Staples, Associate Chair of the WVU Department of History. Staples teaches courses in British and world history, western civilization and the history of women, gender and sexuality. Among the recipients of the Nicholas Evans Award for Advising Excellence were Barbara Griffin, who has been at WVU for 44 years, and Dr. Carolyn Atkins, who has been here for 47 years.

This year's WVU Foundation Outstanding Teacher Awards spanned many different disciplines, honoring faculty recipients from the Eberly College of Arts and Sciences, the Statler College of Engineering and Mineral Resources, the College of Business and Economics, the College of Education and Human Services, and the School of Medicine.

# Dean Maryanne Reed wins Scripps Howard Award

Maryanne Reed, Dean of the Reed College of Media, has won a tremendous—and richly deserved—award in her field on the heels of a very positive 5-year administrative review. Congratulations to Maryanne! The Scripps Howard Administrator of the Year Award celebrates excellence in journalism in 17 categories, honoring journalists and leaders in the field who demonstrate courage, resourcefulness, and ingenuity.

# Fernando Lima CAREER Award

Fernando Lima, Associate Professor of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering in the Statler College of Engineering and Mineral Resources, has earned the prestigious CAREER award from the National Science Foundation for his work to improve modular systems for energy applications. The award comes with \$500,000 in funding over a five-year period.

# BOARD PRESENTATION Legislative Update

Vice President, Legal, Government and Entrepreneurial Engagement, Rob Alsop, provided the following legislative updates:

- WVU needs to continue to articulate to policy leaders that we are worthy of investment from the State and that you cannot cut your way to prosperity. While we know that the University will likely take some sort of reduction, the \$15.7 million reduction that was in the budget passed by the Legislature is neither warranted nor sustainable. We have already lost \$29 million in base appropriations since FY 2011.
- As for the budget process itself, we are continue to monitor and keep in communication with key leaders relating to the overall budget and the appropriations to WVU. While we are hopeful that a resolution will occur by the end of May, it may take longer to get a budget. The House, Senate, and Governor continue to try to find common ground to move the State forward.
- Other than the budget, the Legislature Session was a successful one for WVU. I want to thank the Governor for his leadership in introducing the higher education restructuring legislation, and also to the Legislature for its overwhelming support for this measure. We are also thankful for the Legislative leadership and the Governor for passing and signing the human resource legislation. There is a deep and wide belief in the power of WVU.
- WVU leaders were often called upon for their expertise, whether it be tax policy, health care policy, or education policy, we were constantly fielding calls from the legislative and executive branches on data analysis and policy formulation. We are proud to play that role for our State.

# **BOARD ITEM** <u>Endorsement of Mission, Vision and Values Statement for West Virginia University</u>

President Gee stated that the mission, vision and values presented for the Board's consideration are the culmination of several months of discussion, rooted in the three pillars of education, health care and prosperity proposed in the March 1, 2016 State of the University Address. In those remarks, President Gee said, "So that is why I am sharing my ideas with you today, and I want you to share yours with me. Nothing about our future should be set in stone. Beginning this month, I, along with others, will be holding Campus Conversations around these priorities and other important topics. It is critical that we have open, honest communication if we are going to transform this institution." These campus conversations included several months of specific focus groups with key campus constituencies that helped develop West Virginia University's mission, vision and values statements.

In a Spring State of the University Address on March 22, 2017, President Gee shared the results of this strategic vision process, identified below. Dr. Gee noted that the statements are a way for us to think about ourselves and every day remind ourselves of who we are and what we are. He added that they also reflect the power of our story – stating that we have wonderful facts and figures, but behind every one of those there is a story – and there is no institution that has greater stories to tell.

#### **MISSION**

As a land-grant institution, the faculty, staff and students at West Virginia University commit to creating a diverse and inclusive culture that advances education, healthcare and prosperity for all by providing access and opportunity; by advancing high-impact research; and by leading transformation in West Virginia and the world through local, state and global engagement.

# **VISION**

As One West Virginia University, we are purposeful in our studies and our work so that we can partner with our communities – both near and far – to bring needed and valued solutions to real-life problems within the pillars of education, healthcare and prosperity.

# VALUES

• SERVICE

We seek opportunities to serve others and are committed to providing the highest quality of service.

• CURIOSITY

We ask questions, seek new opportunities and change through innovation.

#### • **RESPECT**

We are respectful, transparent and inclusive with each other.

#### • ACCOUNTABILITY

We perform at our vest best every day to create a University that is responsive, efficient and effective.

#### • APPRECIATION

We support and value each other's contributions as we build a community that is One WVU.

Following President Gee's presentation, David Alvarez moved that the West Virginia University Board of Governors endorses the Mission, Vision and Values Statement for West Virginia University, as stated above. The motion was seconded by William Wilmoth, and passed.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

<u>April 20, 2017 Audit Committee Meeting:</u> Audit Committee Chair, William Wilmoth, reported on yesterday's Audit Committee meeting during which committee members received a report from the Chief Financial Officer; approved the West Virginia University Research Corporation Financial Statements and Single Audit Compliance Report for FY 2016; retroactively approved a February 2, 2017 engagement letter from CliftonLarsonAllen and a February 15, 2017 engagement letter from Dixon Hughes Goodman; and then moved to executive session – wherein they received a report from WVU's General Counsel, a report from the Director of Internal Audit, and engaged in discussions regarding plans for review of current board policies. Chairman Wilmoth stated that there were no actions resulting from said Executive Session.

<u>April 20, 2017 Joint Finance and Facilities and Revitalization and Strategic Plans</u> and Initiatives Committee Meeting: Finance Committee Chair, David Alvarez, reported on this joint committee meeting held yesterday, during which there were Execution Session discussions, but no board action was taken.

# April 20, 2017 Academic Affairs and Accreditation Committee Meeting:

Committee Chair, J. Thomas Jones, reported that this committee met yesterday, during which there were Execution Session discussions covering the Royal University for Women, various project updates and a Higher Learning Commission accreditation update, but no board action was taken.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Flaherty requested a motion that the Board go into Executive Session, under authority in West Virginia Code §§6-9A-4(b)(2)(A), (b)(9), and (b)(12) to discuss legal, personnel, and deliberative matters; matters not considered public records; matters related to construction planning, commercial competition matters, the purchase, sale or lease of property, and/or the investment of public funds. The motion was made J. Robert (J.R.) Rogers, seconded by Benjamin Statler, and passed. Following the conclusion of Executive Session, Thomas Heywood moved that the Board rise from Executive Session. This motion was seconded by Dr. Kimberly Weaver and passed.

#### DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS EMANATING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Flaherty stated that there were no actions emanating from today's Executive Session discussions.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

William Wilmoth moved that the minutes of the February 10, 2017 regular meeting and the March 14, 2017 special meeting all be approved. The motion was seconded by Marty Becker and passed.

#### **BOARD ITEM**

# Disposition of real property and other assets associated with the West Virginia University Institute of Technology campus in Montgomery, W. Va.

Vice President, Legal, Government and Entrepreneurial Engagement, Rob Alsop, advised that as West Virginia University Institute of Technology is relocating to its new campus in Beckley, West Virginia, efforts are underway to transfer or sell the real property associated with the Montgomery Campus through the following transactions: (1) Transfer by deed, without consideration, to the City of Montgomery the property and facilities commonly referred to as the "Marina" and the "Alumni House;" (2) Transfer by deed, without consideration, to BridgeValley Community & Technical College property and facilities commonly referred to as the Engineering Laboratories Building, the Leonard C. Nelson College of Engineering & Science Classroom Building, and the Lanham Maintenance Building; (3) Transfer by lease purchase, to KVC Health Systems, Inc. ("KVC"), the remainder of the property and facilities associated with Tech Campus in Montgomery that are located in Kanawha County, West Virginia.

Pursuant to W. Va. Code §1-5-3, the aforementioned transfers to the City of Montgomery and to BridgeValley Community & Technical College were approved by the West Virginia Board of Public Works on April 6, 2017.

The lease purchase to KVC shall have a term of twenty-five (25) years during which KVC shall be responsible for all taxes, assessments, utilities and ongoing maintenance. KVC will pay an escalating rent (beginning at \$100,000/ year in FY18, and increasing to \$600,000/ year in FY37). On or before the expiration of the lease purchase, KVC may purchase the property for a total purchase price of \$8,300,000 if purchased between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2020; \$8,900,000 if purchased between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2027; and \$9,400,000 if purchased any time after July 1, 2027.

The aforementioned terms and conditions of lease purchase are set forth in a term sheet signed by KVC on March 31, 2017, and countersigned by the University on April 12, 2017.

Following Vice President Alsop's presentation, Diane Lewis moved that the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the disposition of certain parcels of real property and other assets, currently associated with the West Virginia University Institute of

Technology campus in Montgomery, West Virginia to the City of Montgomery, BridgeValley Community & Technical College, and KVC Health Systems, Inc., respectively. With respect to the disposition of property and assets to KVC Health Systems, Inc., the Board ratifies the proposed terms and conditions of the lease purchase and, consistent with such terms and conditions, authorizes the administration to negotiate, finalize, and execute a formal lease purchase agreement. This motion was seconded by J. Robert (J.R.) Rogers, and passed. It is noted for the record that board members, Thomas Heywood and Ed Robinson, both abstained from voting on this motion.

# **PESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Gee's remarks touched on the following areas:

**Legislative Session Follow-Up:** Both HB 2542, which provides flexibility on personnel policy, and HB 2815, which gives increased freedom to institutions from the Higher Education Policy Commission, passed during the regular session. Governor Justice signed HB 2542 into law and is expected to sign HB 2815 Tuesday. I would like to thank Rob Alsop, Travis Mollohan and Rocco Fucillo for the excellent and exhausting work they did representing our University at the Capitol this year.

# **Improving life for West Virginians**

Provost McConnell has shared many great academic achievements, so I thought I would briefly mention a few of the other diverse ways our University is making life better for West Virginians.

- This week, WVU Extension held its annual Community Leadership Academy, an event that helps emerging and established leaders from around the state develop their leadership, good governance and economic strategy skills. We have a strong need for fresh leadership in West Virginia, where for too long we have exported much of our best talent. That is why I was happy to see what a vibrant event Extension put on and how energetic and forward-thinking the participants were.
- As part of its innovator-in-residence program, the Reed College of Media is partnering with Morgan State University to investigate problems with food access in both rural West Virginia and inner-city Baltimore. John Ketchum, a social media producer for CNN, and Tricia Fulks Kelley an independent journalist and Reed College alumna, were the Fall 2016 Innovators-in-Residence. Their work not only exposed students to the latest in digital storytelling but helped them shine a light on the issue of food justice in our state.
- Earlier this month, WVU Medicine celebrated the grand opening of a dedicated Neurological Critical Care Unit at Ruby Memorial Hospital. Neurological intensive care units are a fairly new concept at academic medical centers around the country, and our new comprehensive center will enable patients to receive the best possible care following strokes or other neurological emergencies. This new unit is part of tremendous growth in our neurology program. Since July, seven new specialists and sub-specialists have joined the department, and four more will arrive by the end of July.

The WVU Stroke Center has been expanding the services it delivers throughout the state using telemedicine. As Dr. David Watson, interim chair of neurology said: "We don't want there to be a pocket in West Virginia that can't see a neurologist in a timely manner and get the care that they need." His words echo our entire University's commitment - using the latest knowledge to help 1.8 million West Virginians thrive.

# **BOARD PRESENTATION** <u>Annual Report of the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Governors</u>

Dr. Richard Turton, the WVU Bolton Professor in the Department of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering, one of the faculty representatives on the board, outlined the many responsibilities of faculty members to fulfill the teaching, research and service goals of a landgrant university, illustrating the significant load and responsibilities they carry.

Then, Dr. Stanley Hileman, a professor in the Department of Physiology and Pharmacology in the School of Medicine, also a faculty representative on the board, presented comparisons of faculty salaries at WVU with other Big 12 conference schools, other landgrants and other top research universities, concluding that:

- Faculty salaries at WVU are lower than peers in almost all cases.
- Particularly worrisome is that this applies to assistant professor salaries, making them particularly vulnerable to offers from other institutions.
- The high cost of living in Morgantown exacerbates differences in salaries.
- The current process to manage employee benefits with multiple third party vendors is problematic and leads to inefficiencies. WVU needs to be the owner of the information and drive the process.

Noting the pay gap between WVU and its peer institutions, Dr. Turton estimated that it would take a 4 percent per year increase over the next decade to eliminate the discrepancies.

Next, Dr. Gregory A. Lieving, chair of the Faculty Assembly at WVU Tech, and Dr. Sheri Chisholm, chair of the Faculty Assembly at WVU Potomac State College, briefed the board on their campuses.

Dr. Lieving said that even with the significant challenges presented by the coming move to Beckley, e.g., having to find new housing, moving offices etc., the faculty is optimistic and handling their duties and all the stress with diligence, intelligence and fortitude. He also stated that the faculty are very much aware that the move to Beckley has allowed WVU Tech to avoid the possibility of being closed, and in fact, Tech now has more than a fighting chance to grow.

In addition to providing an overview of Potomac State, Dr. Chisholm said the University's One WVU emphasis is well-received on campus and helps the institution feel part of and appreciated as part of the larger WVU System.

#### **RECONVENE INTO GENERAL SESSION**

The board reconvened back into its general session at 1:35 p.m. and Chairman Flaherty stated that while a few of our board members needed to depart following lunch, we still have a quorum of board members present to conduct business.

# **BOARD PRESENTATION Annual Report of the Student Government Representative to the Board of Governors**

Julie Merow, outgoing president of the WVU Student Government Association (SGA), reported on activities for the year, highlighting the organization's relief work in Southern West Virginia following devastating flooding in June, including eight trips to the region, and more than 800 volunteer hours by 147 volunteers. Other highlights included expanded student participation in SGA, accomplishments from her tenure as president, and hosting other Big 12 student government groups on campus. Ms. Merow also shared with board members a sexual assault prevention video put together by WVU and other Big 12 student groups. Finally, members of the 2017-2018 SGA administration were present and provided insights into their goals for the 2017-2018 academic year wherein they will focus on making an SGA that works for all students and expanding SGA to all campuses.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

There were no questions or concerns expressed by any Board members pertaining to the Information Items contained within the agenda.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Flaherty called for any discussion of today's Consent Agenda items, and asked whether any items needed to be pulled for a separate discussion/vote. There being none, Marty Becker moved that the Board accept the Consent Agenda items as presented in today's agenda booklet. This motion was seconded by Ed Robinson, and passed.

Thereupon, the following Consent Agenda items were approved:

**1.** Approval of New Degree Program: Master of Accountancy/Termination of Degree Program: Master of Professional Accountancy

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the creation of the Master of Accountancy program and the termination of the Master of Professional Accountancy program in the College of Business and Economics.

2. Approval of New Major: BAS in SAGE, Sustainable Agricultural Entrepreneurship for Potomac State College

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves BAS in SAGE, Sustainable Agricultural Entrepreneurship for Potomac State College.

**3.** Approval of New Major: Strategic Communications for Potomac State College within the AA Journalism Degree Program

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves Strategic Communications within the AA degree program in Journalism at Potomac State College.

4. Approval of New Degree Program: Multidisciplinary Studies in the College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the creation of a BMDS in Multidisciplinary Studies in the College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences.

5. Termination of Major Program within the Arts and Sciences Degree: Applied Arts in Modern Languages, Potomac State College

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the termination of the AA in Modern Languages within the Arts and Sciences degree at WVU Potomac State College campus.

- 6. Termination of Degree Program: Bachelor of Science in Agronomy Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the termination of a BS in Agronomy at WVU main campus.
- 7. Termination of Degree Program: Bachelor of Science in Agr. Agronomy Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the termination of the Bachelor of Science in Agr. Agronomy in the Davis College.
- 8. Termination of Degree Program: Bachelor of Science in Soil Science Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the termination of the Bachelor of Science in Soil Science in the Davis College.
- **9.** Approval of Undergraduate Program Review Recommendations Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the Undergraduate Program Reviews conducted by the Undergraduate Council in this cycle, for the 2016/2017 academic year, as presented.

# 10. Appointment to County Extension Committees

Resolved: That the West Virginia University Board of Governors approves the nominees and alternates for positions on the County Extension Service Committees in West Virginia, as presented.

# APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Chairman Flaherty stated that he would like to appoint the following board members to serve on a nominating committee to prepare and present a slate of officers during the June 16, 2017 board meeting: J. Robert (J.R.) Rogers (to serve as chairman) and Dixie Martinelli, J. Thomas Jones, Dr. Richard Turton and Dr. Kimberly Weaver to serve as members.

Whereupon Ed Robinson moved that the board approve the appointment of this nominating committee to prepare and present a slate of officers during the June 16, 2017 board meeting. The motion was seconded by Diane Lewis, and passed.

# **OTHER BUSINESS AND ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Flaherty announced that the Board will conduct its next regular meeting in June in Morgantown. There being no further business to come before the Board, Dixie Martinelli moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Benjamin Statler, and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

Diane Lewis, Secretary